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OCEAN LIFE

A pathfinder designed for preschool through grade 2 children to help you find materials on oceans in the West Springfield Public Library Youth Department.

> Parent/Teacher Materials <

PARENT J577.7/VAN

Vansant, Rhonda & Barbara L. Dondiego. Shells, Whales & Fish Tails. New York: TAB Books, 1996.
Science in art, song and play. A comprehensive and detailed guide to teaching young children about the ocean and sea life.

PARENT J372.6/HOL

Hollenbeck, Kathleen M. Ocean Life: Whales, Fish, and Other Sea Creatures. New York: Scholastic Professional Books, 2002.
Ready-to-go activities, games, literature links and hands-on reproducibles for a teaching unit on oceans & sea life. Designed for grades K-1.

PARENT J372.6/OCE

Dare, Michele M & Angie Kutzer, editors. Ocean Animals: Preschool/Kindergarten. Greensboro, NC: Education Center, 1999.
The Best of the Mailbox theme series. 45 pages of activity ideas for use with a unit on oceans and ocean life.

> Non-Fiction <

J577.7/GRE

Greenaway, Theresa, et. al. Ocean: The Living World. New York: DK Publishing, Inc., 1994.
Get up close and personal with some common and not-so-common sea creatures. Full color pictures with accompanying text presented in the familiar "eyewitness" format.

J577.7/KUN

Kunhardt, Edith. Giant Sea Creatures. Racine, WI: Western Publishing Co., 1984.
Describes the physical and behavioral characteristics of many of the largest animals living in the shallow and deep areas of the ocean.

J577.7/POD

Podendorf, Illa. Animals of Sea and Shore. Chicago: Children's Press, 1982.
In "New True Book" format. Color pictures, easy text.

J745.5/HIE

Hierstein, Judy. Art Activities from Award-Winning Picture Books. Carthage, IL: Teaching & Learning Co., 1995.
A selection of art activities designed by an art teacher, to be used to reinforce concepts from award winning picture books

> Poetry <

EJ/AND

Andreae, Giles. Commotion in the Ocean. Waukesha, WI: Little Tiger Press, 1998.

A collection of poems about the many creatures living beneath the sea, including the crab, dolphin, and angel fish.

> Fiction <

EJ/ASH

Ashman, Linda. Rub-A-Dub Sub. San Diego: Harcourt, 2003.

A young boy meets many friendly sea animals as he travels underwater in his bright orange submarine.

EJ/CAR

Carle, Eric. A House for Hermit Crab. Sasonville, MA: Picture Book Studio, 1987.

A hermit crab who has outgrown his old shell moves into a new one, which he decorates and enhances with the various sea creatures he meets in his travels.

EJ/WES

West, Colin. "Only Joking!" Laughed the Lobster. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press, 1995.

The lobster is having a fine time frightening the other fish into believing that a big, hungry shark is about to eat them! He's having so much fun in fact he doesn't notice that a shark is following him. And this big, hungry shark isn't joking.

> Video <

VIDEO J551.46/OCE

Ocean. Director/writer, Ben Southwell. New York: DK Vision, BBC Worldwide Americas, 1997.

Visit the alien world of the deep and come face to face with some of the most bizarre creatures on our planet. Approx. 35 min.

JVIDEO/FIV

Five Lionni Classics: The Animal Fables of Leo Lionni. Italtoons Corporation; a Giulio Gianini/Leo Lionni production. New York: Random House Home Video, 1987.

Frederick -- Cornelius -- It's mine! -- Fish is fish -- Swimmy. Swimmy is approx. 7 minutes long.

> Theme Kit <

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Oceans Kit.

Books, audio, video and other materials for teaching young children about oceans and sea life.

> Website <

Ocean Life Theme Page. Preschool Education Website. Updated periodically. Viewed March 29, 2005. <http://www.preschooleducation.com/ocean.shtml>

This website has ideas for classroom activities on a variety of themes common to the preschool learning environment. This is the web address for the Ocean Life page.

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