



# Brevard County Libraries

## Summer Reading Program 2022!

In this week's Craft Packet, our theme is **Sea Shells!** You will get to dive for your own pearl and pick out a shell to design your bracelet.

Craft Packets contain a list of supplies and instructions. These packets can be picked-up at any branch within Brevard County during the week of the related theme and are available for curbside service.



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# Sea Shell and Pearl Keychains and Bracelets Craft

## Pearl Diving Activity

Optionally, individuals may dive for their own pearl. Then select some beads and a shell to design their own bracelet.

### Supplies:

- Small kiddie pool(s)
- Water to fill up pool
- Sand
- Pearl beads
- Containers for pearls to bury in the sand (you could use baggies, pans, or small plastic containers)

### Instructions:

1. In advance, separate out pearls into containers. Alternatively, just throw pearls in the bottom of any pan/container.
2. Fill the kiddie pools 1/3 with sand, just enough to cover the pearls. Add water to your desired depth. (The deeper, the messier!)
3. This can be run as a relay between teams or done collaboratively in groups around the pools. One by one participants will run to the pool to dig up their pearls. When they have their set, they will run back and tag the next person. The first team finished wins! Alternately, you can have the kids participate in groups around the pools with no rush or competition needed.

## Craft: Pearl Keychains and Bracelets



### Supplies:

- Beads
- String or cord
- Keychain rings
- Shells (pre-drilled)
- Scissors

### Keychain Instructions:

1. Cut the string to twice the desired length.
2. Fold the string in half and put both ends through the keychain loop. Put the ends of the cord through the loop and pull tight to secure.
3. String beads, making sure to pull both strings through.
4. When done, tie a double knot at the end of the strings until beads are secure. Trim excess string.

### Bracelet Instructions:

1. Cut the string to the desired length.
2. String beads, making sure to place shell in desired location amongst the beads.
3. When done, tie a double knot using the ends of the strings to close the bracelet and secure the beads. Trim excess string.