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We are shaking things up a bit with our Summer Reading Program 2021!

In this week's Storytime Packet, our theme is the Ocean! Travel with us and discover some suggested reads, rhymes, fingerplays, and crafts centered around life under the sea and on the shoreline.

All suggested reads can be found in the Brevard County Public Library System and are available to be checked out.

This packet consists of two fully developed storytimes: Babies & Toddlers, and Preschool. Each storytime can be used for all ages though and are for early literacy enrichment and education at home.

Why storytime?

- Literacy development starts early in life and is highly correlated with school achievement.
- Reading and storytelling with your child promotes brain development and imagination, teaches your child about language and emotions, and strengthens your relationship.
- You don't always need to read books! Try looking at picture books, singing rhymes and songs, or telling stories from your culture.



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Ocean Storytime

Babies & Toddlers

Suggested Books:

"10 Rubber Ducks" by Eric Carle

"Beach Baby" by Laurie Elmquist

"One Lonely seahorse" by Saxton Freyman

"Beach Day" by Ann Rockwell

"Run, Sea Turtle, Run: A Hatchling's Journey" by Stephen Swineburne

Lapsit Rhyme: "*Slippery Fish*" (*Laptime Songs*)

Slippery fish, slippery fish, sliding through the water

(make wavy swimming motions with hands)

Slippery fish, slippery fish, glub, glub, glub.

(make snapping motion with palm together)

Oh, No! He's been eaten by a

Tuna fish, Tuna fish, swimming the water.

(snapping motions with palms)

Tuna fish, tuna fish, glub, glub, glub.

(snapping motions with palms)

Oh, No! He's been eaten by an

Octopus, Octopus, wriggling through the water.

(waving arms around)

Octopus, Octopus, glub, glub, glub.

Oh, No! He's been eaten by a

Great white shark, lurking through the water

(elbows together, bring forearms together like jaws snapping)

Great white shark, glub, glub, glub.

Oh No! He's been eaten by a

Humungous whale! Spouting through the water.

(open & close outstretched arms like a whale's mouth)

Song: "Row, Row, Row Your Boat"

Row, row, row your boat,

(do rowing motions as you sing)

Gently down the stream.

Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily,

Life is but a dream.

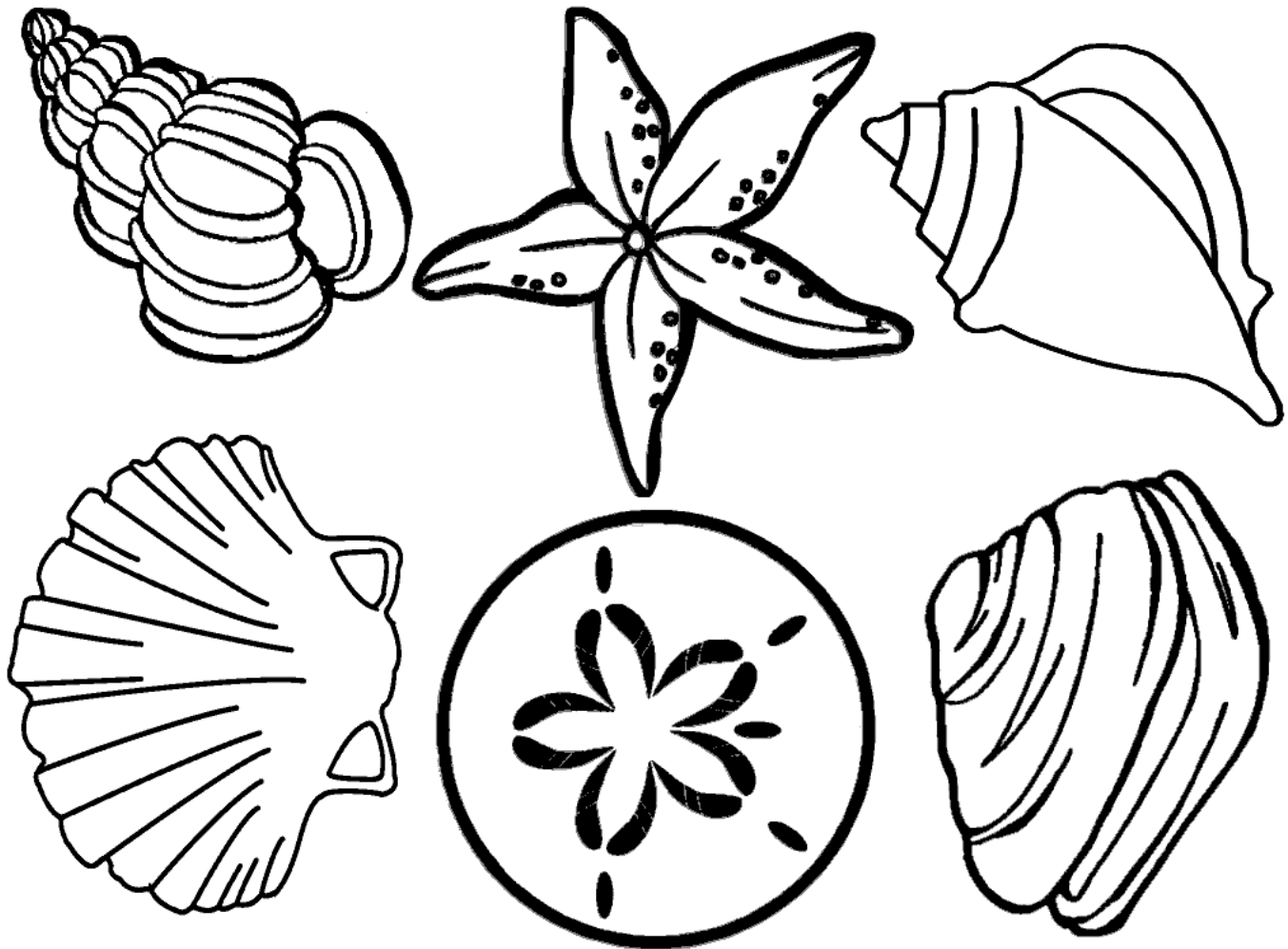
Ocean Learning Activities:

Share goldfish crackers. (only if baby is safely eating solids)

Have fun making the fish swim, chase, and 'glub'. Try counting and sorting the fish if multi colored crackers are available.

Take a walk on the beach, or along the Indian River Lagoon. Identify seagulls, birds, crabs, shells. Bring a few shells home. Count and sort shells by shape, color, size.

Shells coloring page from Best Kids Coloring Pages. Color and count the shells. Identify shapes: circle, star, scallop.



Preschool

Suggested Books:

"Surf's Up!" by Kwame Alexander

"10 Reasons to Love A Whale" by Catherine Barr

"A House for Hermit Crab" by Eric Carle

"If You Want to See A Whale" by Julie Fogliano

"Beach Day" by Ann Rockwell

"Seagulls Soar" by April Sayre

"Run, Sea Turtle, Run: A Hatchling's Journey" by Stephen Swineburne

Counting Fingerplay: Count by holding up fingers, show each wave with arms

Five Little Seashells (Traditional Rhyme)

Five little seashells lying on the shore;

Swish! Went the waves, then there were four.

Four little seashells cozy as could be;

Swish! Went the waves, then there were three.

Three little seashells all pearly new;

Swish! Went the waves, then there were two.

Two little seashells sleeping in the sun;

Swish! Went the waves, then there was one.

One little seashell left all alone,

Whispered 'shhhhhh' as I took it home.

Fingerplay:

Going to the Seashore

I go to the seashore, in the warm sand.

I go wading with ten toes. (hold up ten fingers)

And oh, it feels grand!

I build a large castle in the warm sand.

I shape it higher than my head (measure height)

With my own two hands. (hold up hands)

And came up with a fish! (hold up right hand and smile)

Song: A Sailor Went To Sea (Super Simple Songs)

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- A fun lesson in homophones, words that sound the same but with different meanings. Tap along on your lap, while 'seeing' with your hand shading your eyes. Identify body parts such as knees; get creative, have the sailor go to elbows, shoulders, heads.

A sailor went to sea, sea, sea
To see what he could see, see, see
But all that he could see, see, see
Was the bottom of the deep blue sea, sea, sea!

A sailor went to knee, knee, knee
To see what he could knee, knee, knee
But all that he could knee, knee, knee
Was the bottom of the deep blue knee, knee, knee!

A sailor went to chop, chop, chop
To see what he could chop, chop, chop
But all that he could chop, chop, chop
Was the bottom of the deep blue chop, chop, chop!

A sailor went to elbow, elbow, elbow
To see what he could elbow, elbow, elbow
But all that he could elbow, elbow, elbow
Was the bottom of the deep blue elbow, elbow, elbow!

(repeat chorus, or add other phrases- head, shoulder, clap, etc.)

Fish with a Deep-Sea Smile Poem and Craft

Enjoy this poem by Margaret Wise Brown, cut and color the fish below to enjoy many retellings.

You will need: scissors, crayons/markers

Fish with a Deep-Sea Smile

They fished and they fished
Way down in the sea,
Down in the sea a mile.
They fished among all the fish in the sea,
For the fish with the deep-sea smile.

One fish came up from the deep of the sea,
From down in the sea a mile,
It had BLUE-GREEN EYES
AND WHISKERS THREE,
But never a deep-sea smile.

One fish came from the deep of the sea,
From down in the sea a mile,
With ELECTRIC LIGHTS up and down his tail
But never a deep-sea smile.

They fished and they fished
Way down in the sea.
Down in the sea a mile.
They fished among all the fish in the sea,
For the fish with a deep-sea smile.

One fish came up with TERRIBLE TEETH,
One fish with LONG STRONG JAWS,
One fish came up with LONG STALKED EYES,
One fish with TERRIBLE CLAWS.

They fished all through the ocean deep,
For many and many a mile.
And they caught a FISH WITH A LAUGHING EYE,
But none with a deep-sea smile.

And then one day they got a pull,
From down in the sea a mile.
And when they pulled the fish into the boat,
HE SMILED A DEEP-SEA SMILE.

And as he smiled the hook got free,
And then, what a deep-sea smile!
He flipped his tail and swam away,
Down in the sea a mile.

