

Ocean Activities for Friday

On the Move

Octopus Legs

Wait...how many legs does an octopus have again?!

Materials:

- Paper, cardstock or cardboard
- Scissors
- Clothespins

Instructions:

1. Draw and cut out a large octopus body from the paper (feel free to have your child draw on faces, color, and decorate them as they wish).
2. Place clothespins into a pile or bowl.
3. Discuss with your child that octopus has eight legs. Then, have them clip the clothespins onto the octopus body to simulate their many legs.

Adventures Online

Blippi Visits the Aquarium

Join Blippi as he visits the Aquarium.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2fOWFfpLYW0>

Comment on what your child sees and says as they tour the aquarium with Blippi.

Sensory Time

Feet in the Sand

There's nothing like a walk on the beach to feel the sand beneath your feet.

This activity is perfect for outdoors.

Materials:

- Bin Large enough to stand in
- 4 C. Corn starch
- 3-3 ½ C. Water

Instructions:

1. Pour corn starch into the bin
2. Add water
3. Let your child mix with their feet

Story Time

Over in the Ocean

by Jack Hartmann

Jack reads to kids as they practice their counting and rhyming skills with beautifully illustrated sea life animals.

Read Aloud:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KBjRBy3SDJ4>

Arts and Creativity

Ocean Bubbles!

Everyone loves bubbles! You and your child can make your own with this fun recipe, or even make bubble art!

Materials:

- Large cup or shallow plastic container
- 1/2 cup dish soap
- 1 1/2 cups water
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- Bubble Wands, or hangers, Plastic cup with a hole cut at the bottom, Plastic funnel or Drinking straws
- Food Coloring (optional)
- Paper (optional)

Instructions:

1. Pour 1/2 cup of dish soap into the cup.
2. Add 1 1/2 cups of water.
3. Add 2 teaspoons of sugar to the water/soap mixture.
4. Gently stir your mixture until the sugar dissolves
5. Dip your bubble wand or other items into the mixture and twirl to make bubbles.

Bubble Art:

1. Mix food color with the bubble mixture.
2. Show your child how to blow the color bubbles onto the paper.
3. Pop the bubbles and enjoy the beautiful designs!