



## October Theme: Monsters of the Sea

### Recommended Books

**Focus Book:** *I'm the Biggest Thing in the Ocean!* by Kevin Sherry \*\*

#### Fiction:

*How to Hide an Octopus and Other Sea Creatures* by Ruth Heller \*\*

*Inky's Amazing Escape: How a Very Smart Octopus Found His Way Home* by Sy Montgomery \*\*

*Tickly Octopus* by Ruth Galloway\*\*

*The Tickle Squid* by Delphine Pages

*Dino Mike and the Underwater World Dinosaurs* by Franco Aureliani

*Finding Nemo, Just Keep Swimming* by Disney

*Magic Tree House: Dark Day in the Deep Sea* by Mary Pope Osburn\*\*

*Octopus' Garden* by Ringo Starr\*\*

**\*\*Books read aloud on Youtube for Kids**

#### Non-Fiction:

*National Geographic: Ink!* By Stephanie Warren Drimmer

*Octopus or Squid* by Christina Leaf

*Octopuses* by Lindsay Shaffer

*Life Under the Sea: Squids* by Mari C Schuh

*Squids, Ocean Life up Close* by Nathan Sommer

*The Octopus Scientists* by Sy Montgomery

*Ocean Life: Octopus* by Judy Wearing

*Sea Creatures* by Seymour Simon

*Journey Into the Deep* by Rebecca L. Johnson

*Barracudas, Underwater World* by Deborah Coldiron

*Piranhas, A True Book* by Elaine Landay

#### Tumblebooks (found on the library's website)

National Geographic: Fishy Disguises

National Geographic: Octopus Locomotion

### **Craft Project: Swimming Octopus**

#### **You will find in the bag:**

- \*Blue Paper Plate
- \*cardstock octopus head
- \*Yarn
- \*Googly Eyes
- \*Craft Stick

#### **Items needed from Home:**

- scissors
- glue or glue stick
- washi tape
- crayons or markers

#### **Directions:**

Cut a slit across the inside portion of the paper plate. Cut out the octopus' head. Then, flip it over and glue(or tape) the yarn onto the back. Glue the eyes onto the front. You can color the craft stick if you choose. Tape the craft stick to the back of the octopus. Once completed, take the octopus and slide it through the slit in the paper plate, make sure the legs are all out, but leave the craft stick behind the slit. Now, you can move the octopus back and forth as it swims in the ocean.

### **Science Activity: Ocean Slime**

#### **You will need:**

- ½ cup clear washable school glue (you can use white glue, but the color will be lighter)
- ¼ cup liquid starch
- ½ cup water
- blue food coloring
- glitter
- optional: plastic sea animals and sea shells
- Bowl and spoon

#### **Directions :**

In a bowl, mix the water and glue until they combine completely. Add food coloring and glitter to the mixture. Then, pour in the liquid starch. Keep stirring until the liquid is all gone. Start kneading and work it within your hands. You will notice a change in the consistency. You can add more starch if you want less sticky slime, but it will be stiffer. If you choose add shell and animals into your ocean slime.

### **Song: Ocean Time**

Sing to the tune of *Take Me Out to the Ballgame*



# Ocean

By: Erica Lynn

Take me out to the ocean  
Take me out to the sea  
Show me the foamy waves  
rolling there  
As I breathe in the salty air!  
Let me look, look, look at the  
ocean

See the sea and explore  
For it's fun to dive from the top  
To the ocean floor!

