

Fish in Water Sponge Painting Craft

What you will need: Sponges, Sponge rollers with wave pattern (made by Plaid found in craft stores), paint, different colors of paint, and light blue construction paper

What to do:

1. Cut fish shapes out of sponges or use fish shaped sponges.
2. Squeeze dark blue paint onto a foam plate. Show children how to roll the sponge back and forth to pick up the paint and then roll it back and forth onto the blue construction paper to make waves.
3. Squeeze different colors of paint onto separate foam plates. Have at least one sponge fish per plate. Have the children press the sponges filled with paint onto their picture.
4. You can also use an eraser on the end of a pencil dipped in paint to make bubbles. We also used jumbo dotters (Made by Plaid and found at craft stores) of different shapes to make plants at the bottom of the sea.



Fish in a Fish Bowl Craft

What you will need: Construction paper and poster board, sandwich size resealable bag, fish tank gravel, Easter grass, staples, glue, different colors of paper to cut fish from.

What to do:

1. Cut out two fish bowls shapes from construction paper and two from poster board.
2. Staple a plastic bag around the edge of the cut out construction paper fish bowls on all sides except the top. Have the children put a handful of gravel, some Easter grass, and some fish that they drew and cut out inside the bag. Have them arrange the fish the way they want.
3. Seal the bag and staple it to the paper. It should be stapled all the way around near the edge of the cut out.
4. Now glue the poster board fish bowls on top of the construction paper fish bowls to cover up the staples.



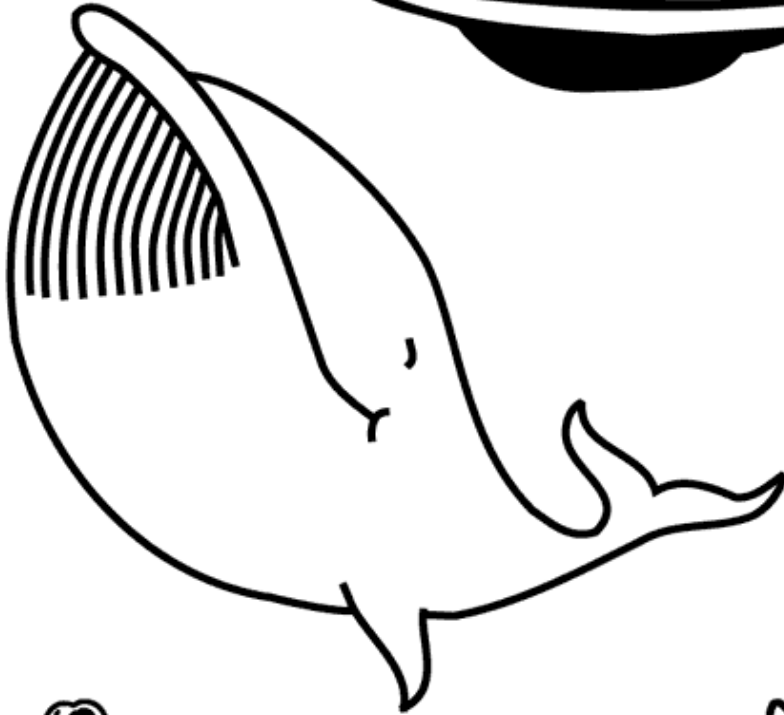
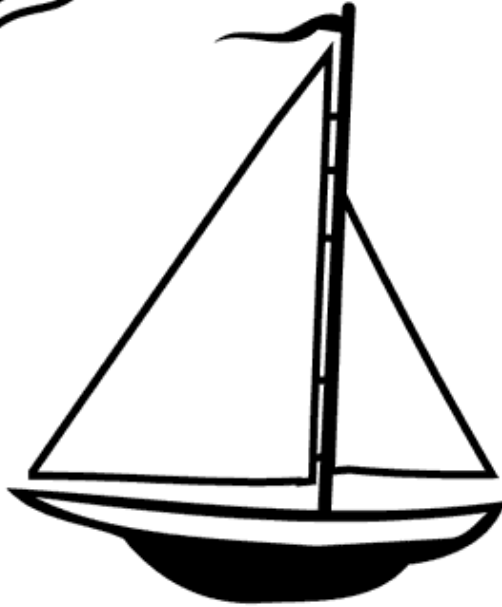
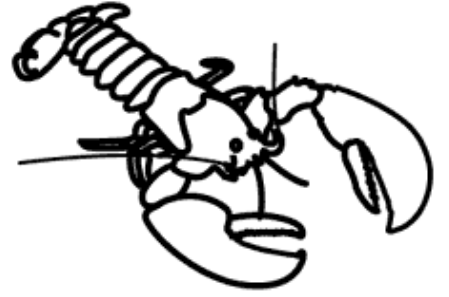
Changeable Fish in Water Picture - *Danielle loved this project so much that she had me make a seashore all the way around the edge of the picture. She picked out turtles, and birds, and frogs to put on the shore. She even had one of the shore birds standing up.*

What you will need: Two pieces of blue construction paper, pictures of fish, glue, crayons or markers, scissors with a wave pattern, scissors,

glue.

What to do:

1. To make the water fold one paper in half. Cut slits about 3/4 of an inch apart using the wave pattern scissors down the length of the paper starting at the fold. Do not cut all the way to the end. When you open up the paper you should have slits across the length of the paper all in a row. Now glue the paper to just another piece of blue paper around the edges. The children should be able to stick the fish and boat inside the slits.
2. Print out the sea creature pictures ([Large file](#) or [small file](#)). Have your children color the pictures and cut them out. If you have children that can draw fairly well, have them draw their own fish and boat. For younger children you may want to have the fish and boat pictures already cut out. Just have them color the pictures and place them in the waves.





Paper Bag Octopus Craft

What you will need: Paper lunch bags or larger, grocery bags, paper scraps (junk mail), colored paper, large wiggly eyes (optional), tape, glue, and paint.

What to do:

1. Stuff a paper bag with wrinkled up paper scraps.
2. Cut strips of paper about 2" wide depending on how big you are making your octopus. Fan fold the strips and glue them together to make longer legs.
3. Gather eight legs together and stuff the ends into the stuffed bag. Tape the bag closed around the legs.
4. Have fun painting your octopus.
5. To finish glue on wiggly eyes or make your own eyes.