

# Learning Game Calendar

INFANTS • TODDLERS • PRESCHOOL • SCHOOL-AGE

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# Five Oceans



Let's practice identifying oceans and continents.

## SS 3 Geography

Identifies types of places and interacts with maps.



### SUPPLIES

Shells  
Ocean Tags  
Bowls  
Water  
Toy boat  
Scissors  
Pocket Cube  
Shells

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Fill five bowls of water and explore them with the child. Use a toy boat or bath toy. Move the toy from one bowl to the next.

### TODDLERS

Take turns rolling the cube and putting a shell on the same number Ocean Tag. After five rolls, which ocean has the most shells?

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Label bowls as oceans. Take turns rolling the cube and put a shell in the bowl with the same Ocean Tag.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Each child takes three shells and puts them on their Ocean Tag. Everyone takes turns rolling the cube. If someone's ocean is rolled, that person loses a shell. Start a new game when one child has no more shells.



**Atlantic**

**Indian**

**Pacific**

**Southern**

**Arctic**

Arctic

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# Social Studies

## SS 3 Geography

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# Oyster Pearls

Let's pretend to dive for pearls.



## CA 4 Drama

Identifies types of places and interacts with maps.



### SUPPLIES

Plates  
Stickers  
Pipecleaners  
Beads  
Toy  
Plate  
Paint

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Hide a toy under a plate. Encourage the child to pick up the plate and discover the treasure.

### TODDLERS

Paint the back of a paper plate. Fold each plate in half and add "pearls" (stickers) on the inside. Play peekaboo and find other objects to hide inside the oyster.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Create an oyster shell out of a paper plate. Thread a pipecleaner with beads onto the shell. Pretend to dive for pearls.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Make up a play about diving for shells and finding a valuable pearl. Assign parts and perform.



# Creative Arts

## CA 4 Drama

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# Diving for Shells

Let's go deep-sea diving with a flashlight.



## SCI 2 Natural & Earth Science

Understands living and nonliving things, their characteristics and how they change.



### SUPPLIES

Shells  
Shell Cards  
Number Cards;  
Clear bottle  
Sand (optional)  
Sheet  
Flashlight  
Blindfold

### Where is your child along the learning path?

#### INFANTS

Put shells in a clear plastic bottle filled with water. Add sand, if desired. Shake and explore the sensory bottle.

#### TODDLERS

Place Shell Cards under a table. Take turns crawling finding a Shell Card and placing it on the Number Card with the matching type of shell.

#### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Place seashells under a table then cover it with a sheet. Use a flashlight and pretend to be deep sea divers. Draw a Number Card and collect that number of shells.

#### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Take two cards and subtract the smallest number from the biggest number. Take turns blindfolding children and encourage them to feel around the floor to gather that many shells.





# Science

## SCI 2 Natural & Earth Science

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# Community Kelp

Let's measure length and height with paper strips.



## MR 4 Measurement

Estimates, measures and compares size, weight, length or volume.



### SUPPLIES

Green paper  
Tape  
Scissors

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Hang paper strips on the wall at different heights. Observe as the child reaches and pulls off the "kelp" paper.

### TODDLERS

Cut the paper into strips of different lengths then find the longest paper strip. Measure height/length by lining up the paper strips next to each child.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Pretend that green strips of paper are kelp. Use the strips to measure the length/height of each child. Afterward place all strips end-to-end. How long is the line of kelp?

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Cut all paper strips the same length. Each child guesses how many strips tall they are. Test their guesses by measuring each child with the strips.



# Mathematics & Reasoning

## MR 4 Measurement

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# Sea Stories



Let's look at a poster and identify its images.

## LLD 2 Communication

Uses verbal and nonverbal communication to express ideas with increasingly complex words and sentences. Engages in back and forth communication.



**SUPPLIES**  
Theme Poster  
Shells  
I Spy Glasses

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Look at the Theme Poster and talk about the animals.

### TODDLERS

Take turns picking up a shell and naming the animal under it. Then name a specific animal and place a shell on it. Continue to cover the poster with shells.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Use the I Spy Glasses to identify objects and creatures on the Theme Poster. Describe the found images.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Play "I Spy." One child describes something he sees. Can the other children guess the right object based on the clues?





# Language & Literacy Development

## LLD 2 Communication

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# Flap Your Flippers

Let's dance while pretending to be dolphins or whales.



## CA 1 Music

Expresses through music and develops rhythm and tone.



### SUPPLIES

Monthly CD  
Cups

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Clap to the song then gently tap the beat on the child's back or legs.

### TODDLERS

Play "Dolphin Dance." Clap to the song then change to slapping knees. Then alternate clapping/slapping to the end of the song.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Play track 3, "Big Blue Whale." Listen to the song and explore clapping and dancing to the beat. Imagine being whales and flapping flippers.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Follow the music leader. Everyone holds two cups and moves them in the same way as the leader.



# Creative Arts

## CA 1 Music

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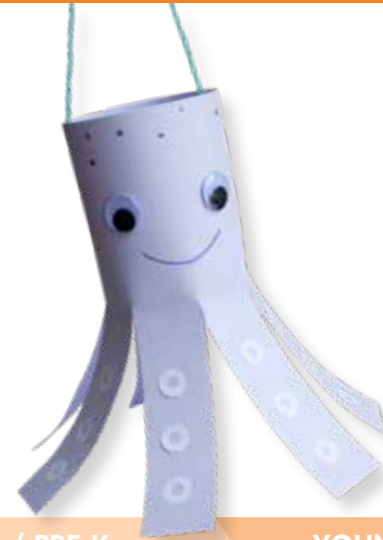
# Octopus Windsock



Let's practice fine motor skills through art.

## PD 2 Fine Motor

Builds strength and coordination of small movements in hands to pick up, squeeze, twist, cut and manipulate tools and toys.



### SUPPLIES

Windsock paper  
Hole reinforcement  
stickers  
Eye stickers  
Yarn  
Tape  
Scissors  
Crayons  
Photo of octopus

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Dangle a paper octopus above the child so he can reach up with hands or feet to touch it.

### TODDLERS

Make a windsock. Cut Octopus legs for each child. The child adds the "tentacles" (reinforcement stickers) wherever desired. Challenge the child to draw a face for the octopus.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Create an octopus windsock using paper, yarn, stickers, scissors, tape and crayons. Encourage children to cut paper legs on their own.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Set out the supplies and a photo of an octopus. Encourage children to design their own octopus.



# Physical Development

## PD 2 Fine Motor

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# Breathe Like a Whale



Let's pretend to breathe like whales.



## SED 2 Self-Regulation

Identifies feelings and manages behavior in times of stress. Exhibits self-control and ability to calm self. Reacts to changes in routine.



### SUPPLIES

- Pompoms
- Hands-On Letter: W
- Ribbon
- Tape
- Ocean animal photos
- Straw
- Scissors

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Play a blowing game and gently blow through a straw onto the child's hair and different parts of the child's body. Observe the child's reactions and continue if she enjoys it.

### TODDLERS

Name an ocean animal (such as the whale) and blow on that animal to move it.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Pretend to be whales and breathe through a "blowhole" (straw). Move a pompom toward the Hands-On Letter W.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Set out two pompoms. Two children both blow their pompom with one big breath. Which pompom goes farthest?



# Social & Emotional Development

## SED 2 Self-Regulation

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# Sneaky Shark

Let's dance to the music and pretend to be sharks.



## CA 1 Music

Expresses through music and develops rhythm and tone.



### SUPPLIES

Monthly CD  
Blanket

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Play the music while the babies have tummy time. Wiggle on the floor with them and make eye contact.

### TODDLERS

Lie on bellies on a blanket and move like sharks. Hold the edges of the blanket and shake it up and down to make waves.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Play track 2, "Sneaky Sharks." Wiggle on tummies and pretend to swim to the music like sneaky sharks.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Squat low and sneak around to the music. Challenge children to stay low throughout the song.





# Creative Arts

## CA 1 Music

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# Shell Shapes

Let's identify shapes then draw them on a turtle shell.



## MR 3 Shapes

Identifies shapes and their characteristics.



### SUPPLIES

Turtle Shape Mat  
Cube Cards: Shapes  
Bowl  
Blocks  
Scissors  
Playdough  
Pocket Cube  
Bag (optional)  
Crayons/markers

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Turn a big bowl upside-down then put a block on the "shell" so it slides off toward the child. Does the child reach for the block? Name the block's shape and continue to slide blocks down the bowl.

### TODDLERS

Roll the cube and put playdough on a matching shape on the turtle's shell.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Take turns rolling the cube (or pulling from a bag) then drawing that shape on the turtle shell. When done, count up how many of each shape each child has drawn.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Take turns rolling and drawing shapes. Then see who has the most squares on their turtle. Who has the most circles? Other shapes?



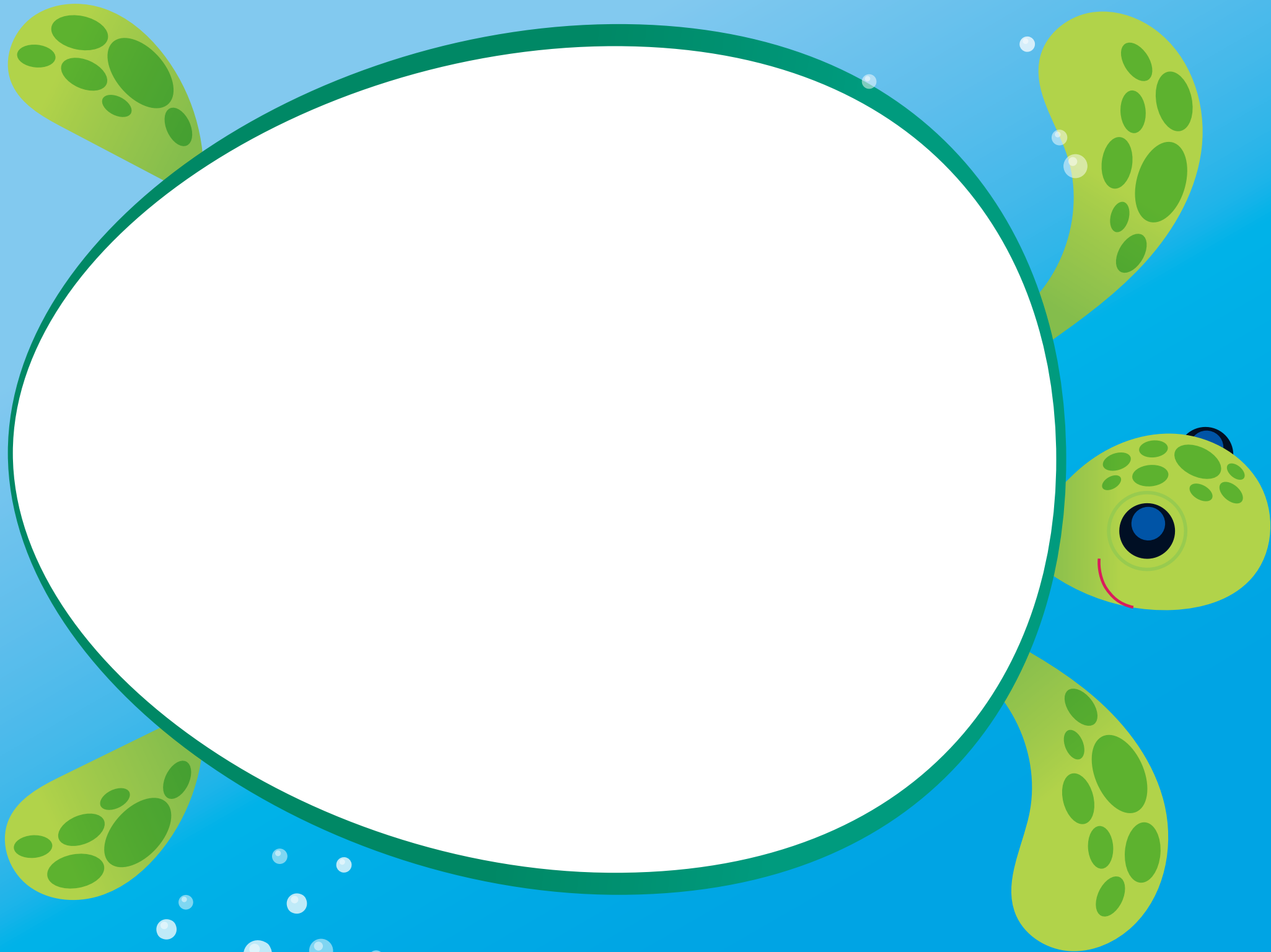
# Mathematics & Reasoning

## MR 3 Shapes

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# Jellyfish Hat

Let's create a jellyfish hat with tentacles.



 **CA 4 Drama**

Identifies types of places and interacts with maps.

- SUPPLIES**  
Shower cap  
Ribbon  
Tape  
Scissors  
Mirror

## Where is your child along the learning path?

INFANTS	TODDLERS	PRESCHOOL / PRE-K	YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE
Lower and lift the shower cap slowly above the child. Observe as the child tracks it with his eye or reaches for it. Talk about jellyfish floating in the ocean.	Toss and catch a shower cap as if it were a floating jellyfish in the ocean. Look in the mirror and make different facial expressions. Talk about how jellyfish float up and down in the ocean.	Attach ribbon "tentacles" to a shower cap then pretend to be jellyfish and swim around the room.	Create a jellyfish with the shower cap then toss it in the air and watch it float down. Try blowing toward it to keep it in the air. Imagine it is a pet jellyfish.



# Creative Arts

## CA 4 Drama

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# What's Inside?



Let's examine a bottle filled with small objects.



## MR 7 Logic & Reasoning

Uses logic to solve problems.



### SUPPLIES

Empty water  
bottles with caps  
Sand  
Small items

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Roll the sensory bottle and observe how the child crawls or reaches for it.

### TODDLERS

Name objects inside a sensory bottle. The child turns the bottle in different ways to find the named object.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Fill a container with water and several small objects. Pretend it is an X-ray fish. Take turns rotating the bottle and name the items.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Invite children to create their own mini ocean bottles. Gather nature items from outside and put them in empty water bottles. Then fill each bottle with water.





# Mathematics & Reasoning

## MR 7 Logic & Reasoning

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Learning Game  
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# Daddy Seahorse



Let's brainstorm ways to keep babies safe.

 **PD 3 Safety**

Shows awareness of safe practices and demonstrates them when participating in activities.



**SUPPLIES**

Bag  
Pocket Cube  
Bag (optional)  
Daddy Seahorse decor  
Baby Seahorse Cards  
Tape  
Blocks

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Tape the seahorse pictures on blocks. Place blocks in a bag and invite the infant to reach in and grab the seahorse blocks.

### TODDLERS

Find baby seahorse cards and bring them back to put in the Daddy Seahorse pouch. Talk about personal safety.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Pretend to be daddy seahorses. Tape a bag onto stomachs and brainstorm ways to protect and care for the baby seahorses. Look for Seahorse Cards hidden throughout the room.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Invite children to take turns putting a secret amount of seahorses in their bag. Work in pairs and encourage them to guess the amount in each other's bags. Change the numbers of seahorses after each turn.

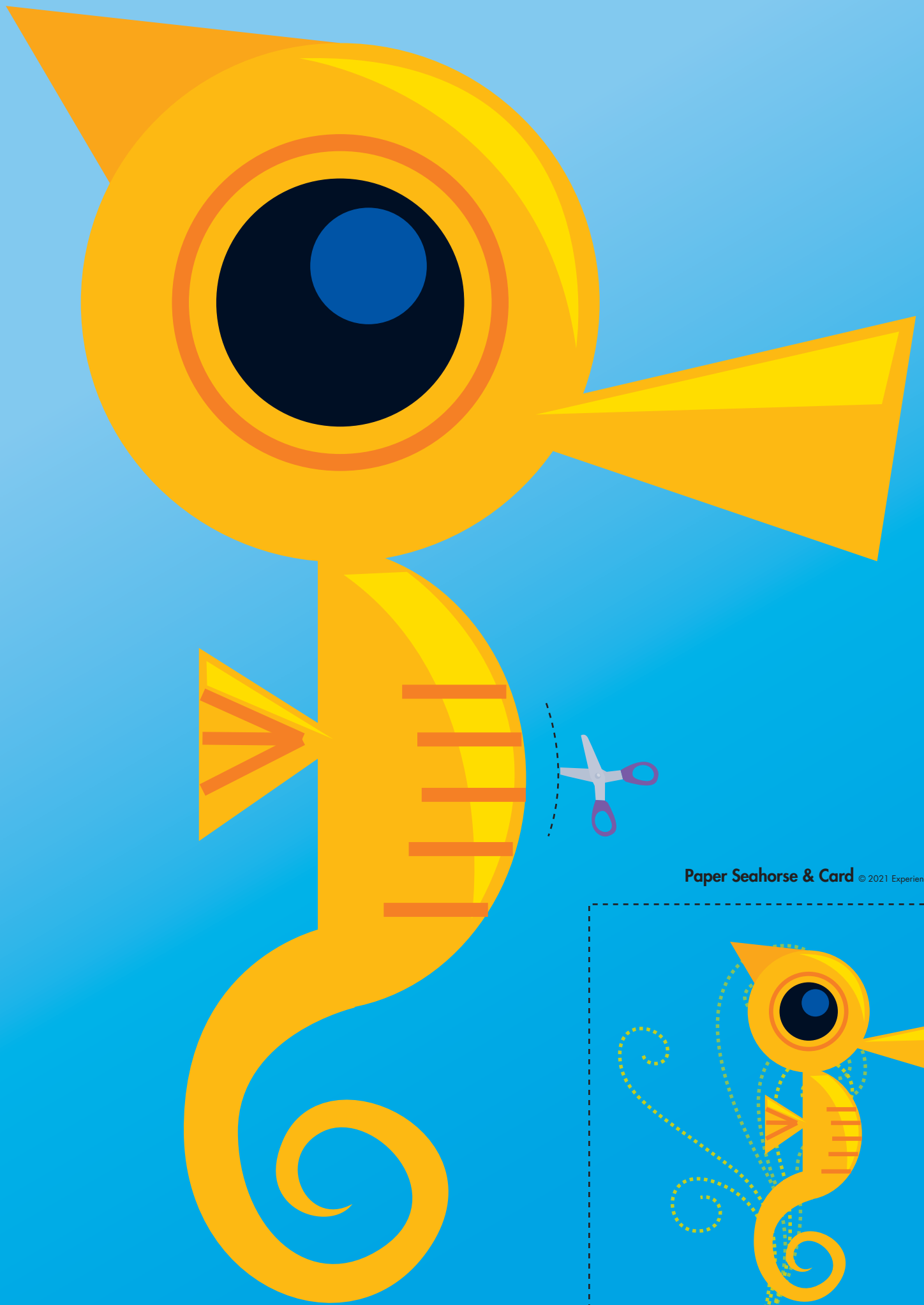


# Physical Development

## PD 3 Safety

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# Rainbowfish



Let's practice fine motor skills through art.

## PD 2 Fine Motor

Builds strength and coordination of small movements in hands to pick up, squeeze, twist, cut and manipulate tools and toys.



### SUPPLIES

Fish shape  
Sequins  
Glue  
Inkpad or paint  
Scissors

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Make a handprint on the fish for a fin.

### TODDLERS

Cover a fish shape with fingerprint scales.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Trace around children's hands then turn the outlines into fish by adding a face and sequin scales.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Give each child a fish shape to decorate or cut into a different shape. Invite children to name their fish and explain where they live.



# Physical Development

## PD 2 Fine Motor

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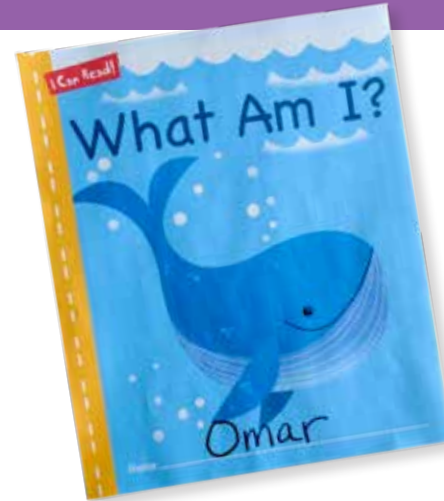
# What Am I?



Let's practice turning pages and identifying sight words.

## LLD 5 Concepts of Print

Demonstrates print- and book handling knowledge.



### SUPPLIES

Book: I Can Read  
Paper  
Markers/crayons

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Snuggle with the child and read the story. Look at the pictures and name the images.

### TODDLERS

Read the book aloud and talk about pictures on the pages. Ask children to name the picture they see.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Read the book aloud and encourage children to anticipate what will happen next in the story. If desired, point at the sight words.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Invite children to read the story aloud then write their own last page for "what am I?"



# Language & Literacy Development

## LLD 5 Concepts of Print

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# Diver's Mask & Flippers



Let's make props and pretend to be deep sea divers.

 **CA 4 Drama**

Identifies types of places and interacts with maps.



- SUPPLIES**
- Diver's Mask & Flippers
  - Cellophane
  - Elastic
  - Music (your choice)
  - Scissors
  - Crayons
  - Tape
  - Paper & markers (optional)

### Where is your child along the learning path?

INFANTS	TODDLERS	PRESCHOOL / PRE-K	YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE
<p>Make a mask and put a craft stick on it. Then play peekaboo with the infant by looking through the mask.</p>	<p>Color a diver's mask and flippers. Dress up and explore "swimming" to photos of ocean animals as music plays.</p>	<p>Create a diver's mask and flippers then pretend to swim and dive around tables and chairs.</p>	<p>Write or invent a simple play about diving in the ocean. What happened? Act it out with the mask props.</p>



# Creative Arts

## CA 4 Drama

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# Stormy Days

Let's express emotions through dance.



## SED 2 Self-Regulation

Identifies feelings and manages behavior in times of stress. Exhibits self-control and ability to calm self. Reacts to changes in routine.



**SUPPLIES**  
Monthly CD  
Mirror

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Look in a mirror with the baby and make different happy and sad faces.

### TODDLERS

Mimic various emotions while dancing to a song. Name emotions for children to dance in response to: scared, sad, happy.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Discuss what children do when they feel sad or are having a rough day. Explore dancing sad feelings to track 1, "Do What the Fish Do."

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Ask children to describe a time when they were sad. Then play the song and dance away all the sadness.



# Social & Emotional Development

## SED 2 Self-Regulation

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# My Postcard

Let's recall topics from the past month and decorate a postcard.



## SS 4 History & Sense of Time

Develops sense of time.



### SUPPLIES

Postcard  
Crayons/markers

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Make a footprint on the postcard and write a note to the family.

### TODDLERS

Scribble memories of birds or of the Forest Friend's book on the postcard. Write words on the back of the postcards.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Recall events from the past month then decorate the postcard as desired.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Give each child a postcard and encourage them to write a memory from their ocean projects.



# Social Studies

## SS 4 History & Sense of Time

### GROUP ASSESSMENT QUICK REFERENCE

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# Underwater Maze

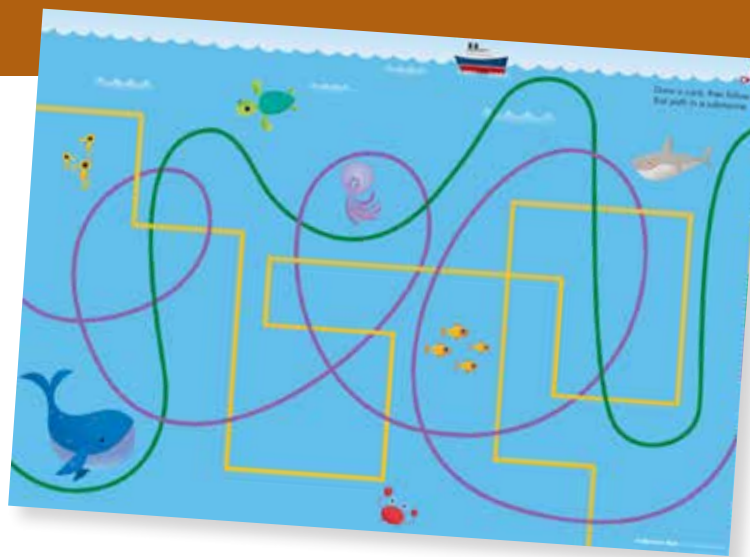


Let's play a navigational game.



## SS 3 Geography

Identifies types of places and interacts with maps.



### SUPPLIES

- Underwater Maze
- Color Cards
- Submarine Cards
- Paper
- Crayons/markers
- Masking tape

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Put masking tape path on the floor. Encourage the child to touch it, pull it up and explore the path.

### TODDLERS

Move a crayon inside the lines of the Underwater Maze. Talk about the pictures on the paper.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Take turns drawing Color Cards then navigate along a matching color path with Submarine Cards.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Leave out paper and crayons for children to draw their own paths. Encourage them to make up games with their mazes.

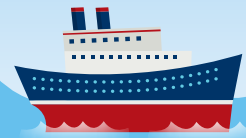


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## SS 3 Geography

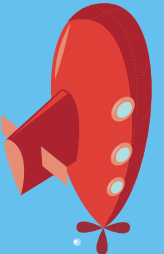
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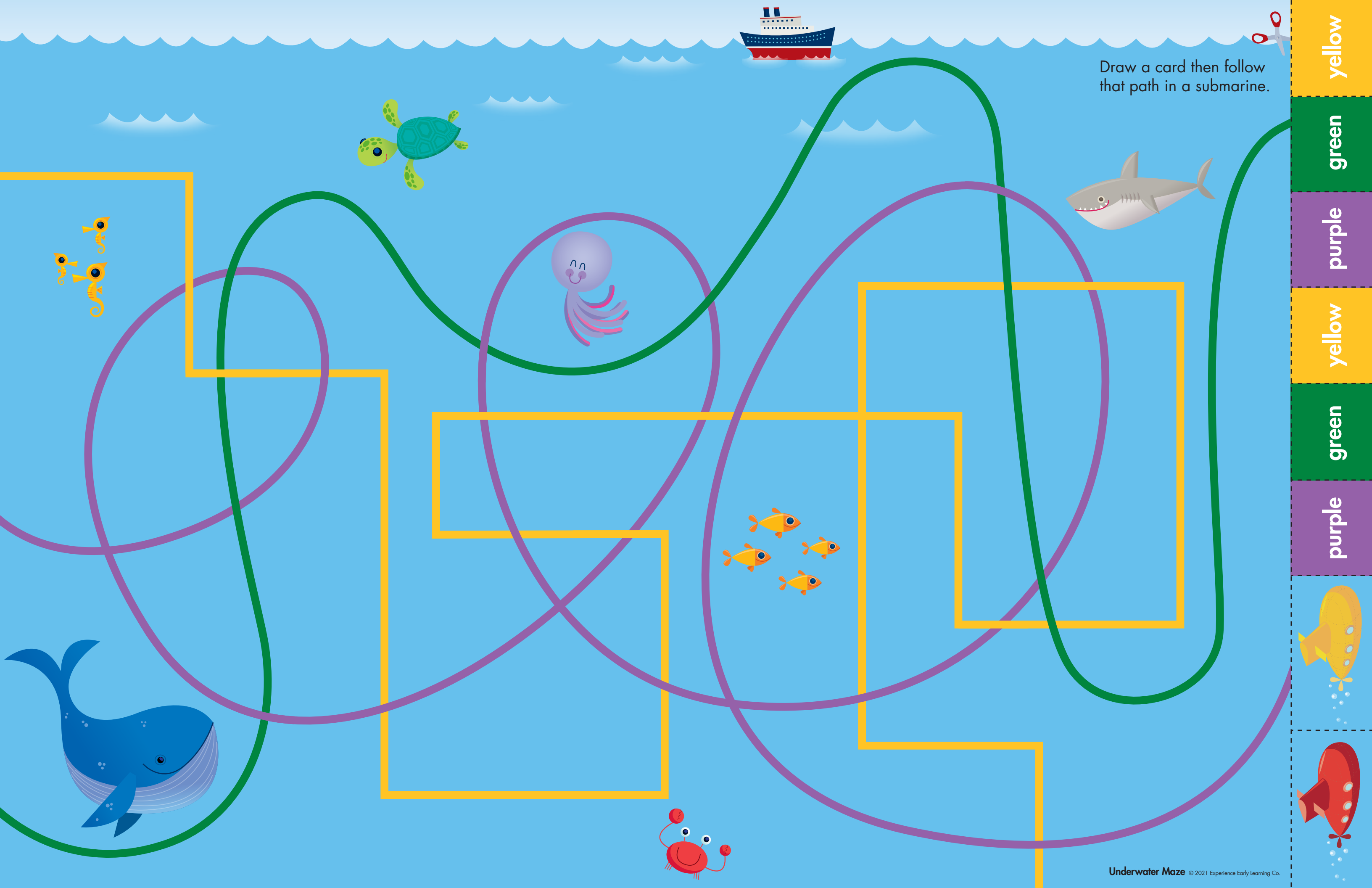
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Draw a card then follow that path in a submarine.

yellow
green
purple
yellow
green
purple





# Letter Tanks



Let's identify letters and sounds then match them up.

## LLD 5 Concepts of Print

Demonstrates print- and book handling knowledge.



**SUPPLIES**  
Letter Tanks  
Cube Cards  
Scissors  
Masking tape  
Old magazines

## Where is your child along the learning path?

### INFANTS

Put masking tape on two picture cards and put them on the wall for the child to pull off. Name the picture of the card the child touches.

### TODDLERS

Set out one Letter Tank and four picture cards. Name a picture card and ask children to take turns picking it up and putting it in the matching letter tank.

### PRESCHOOL / PRE-K

Take turns drawing Cube Cards, identifying the letter or letter sound then placing it on the matching Letter Tank.

### YOUNG SCHOOL-AGE

Encourage children to look through old magazines or newspaper ads and cut out words or pictures that match the letters on the tanks.



# Language & Literacy Development

## LLD 5 Concepts of Print

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Who is  
in the tank?

# Letter O Tank

X

Who is  
in the tank?

# Letter X Tank



W

Who is  
in the tank?



# Letter W Tank