



Playgroup SA

Playgroup Weekly Session Planner

Sharks

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CRAFT ACTIVITY

There are over 500 different types of sharks in our waters. Sharks are the largest predatory fish in the ocean.

Craft activity: Shark Collage

Children will need: Blue Paper, dark blue paper, newspaper, eye stickers, black paper, white paper, scissors, glue stick.

Cut the lighter blue paper into A5 size. Cut a shark shape out of the newspaper and glue on to the A5 blue paper. Stick on the Sharks eyes. Cut a half circle from the black paper for the shark's mouth and glue on to the newspaper body. From the white paper, cut out some shark teeth and glue them onto the black mouth. Using the darker blue paper, cut some waves into the top and glue to the bottom of the page.

Extension ideas:

Use paint to paint a shark head, instead of newspaper. Make other shapes for the shark head. Change the shape of the shark teeth. What does the shark look like now?

Fact: Sharks can grow and lose over 20,000 teeth in their lifetime.



Learning Outcome 4: Children are confident and involved learners.



OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

Water play – fill some trays with water, let the children make their own aquarium with toy fish, sharks, and other sea animals. Add some real shells if you have some, maybe even some seaweed. You can add a little blue food colouring to the water. Let the children have fun swimming with the sea creatures but watch out for the sharks!

SENSORY ACTIVITY

Sea Slime

You will need: Tray or shallow bowl, make a batch of blue slime (see below recipe) toy sharks, fish, pebbles.

Instructions: Make a batch of slime (2 cups of Lux soap flakes, 2 Litres of boiling water, blue food colouring. Place all ingredients into a container and mix well. Leave to cool. Then place in the fridge overnight to set.) When ready to use, place the slime into your tray with the toys. You could add some blue glitter to the slime for extra sparkle.

GROUP TIME IDEAS

Have story time, read a book about Sharks or a Shark story.
Talk about some fun shark facts.
Research with the children about the importance of sharks.
Sing Baby Shark.



A shark in an aquarium

BOOK SUGGESTIONS

So Cool! Sharks by National Geographic

My Little Golden Book About Sharks by Bonnie Bader & Stephanie Laberis



