

WORLD OCEANS DAY

The Octopus Lives in the Ocean Song

Activity 2

Multiple Intelligences in Activity 2

Intrapersonal Intelligence – the children sing a song about the sea animals.

Background

World Oceans Day was first proposed at the Earth Summit in Rio, Brazil in 1992, it is organised by The Ocean Project and the World Ocean Network. Their aim is to celebrate the international importance of the ocean, how it generates oxygen, helps feed us and cleans water amongst other things. This special day hopes to encourage people to learn about the ocean and change our habits to help protect the ocean.

You will need:

- flashcards: jellyfish, octopus, fish, shark, whale, crab, sea, ocean.
- container of water
- some typical classroom objects, e.g. pencil, wooden block, plastic block, chalk, paperclip, etc.
- song sheet
- coloured pencils

Instructions:

1. Revise the animal names using the flashcards.
2. Show the children flashcards of the ocean and the sea and tell them that the difference is that an ocean is enormous and a sea is much smaller in comparison. Ask the children if they know the names of any seas or oceans.
3. Using the flashcards sing the song to the children:

The octopus lives in the ocean
(To the tune of 'My Bonnie lies over the ocean')

*The octopus lives in the ocean,
The octopus swims in the sea,
The octopus lives in the ocean,
Swim, octopus, swim like me.*

The jellyfish lives in the ocean...

The whale lives in the ocean...

The shark lives in ocean...

4. The children can 'swim' like these sea animals as you sing the song.

Follow-up activity:

Talk about how the animals float and swim in water. Get a container of water and several classroom objects (pencil, wooden block, plastic block, chalk, paperclip, etc.) and ask the children if they think these objects will float or sink. Place the objects one by one in the water and see if their predictions are true.

Note: The Generalitat de Catalunya produced a poster called "the most dangerous species in the Mediterranean" showing different human causes of pollution in the ocean; the poster is designed so that the polluting objects look like sea animals from a distance. You could show this poster to your children (available on the internet) and discuss it with your class.

http://www.spc.int/DigitalLibrary/Doc/FAME/Posters/Dangerous_species.pdf

Fast Finishers:

The children can colour in the sea animals on the song sheet and then draw their favourite sea animal in the box at the bottom of the worksheet.



The octopus lives in the ocean



The octopus lives in the ocean,
The octopus swims in the sea,
The octopus lives in the ocean,
Swim, octopus, swim like me.



The jellyfish lives in the ocean....

The whale lives in the ocean...



The shark lives in ocean...



My favourite sea animal