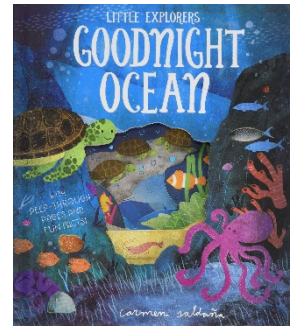


School Library Association Information Book Award Shortlist 2020

Up to 7 years

Goodnight Ocean

Little Tiger, Becky Davies, Carmen Saldaña (9781912756148)



The activities below are designed to be used at home with parents, or as gentle links to the school curriculum, easing children back into school life. Simply select activities to suit the children's interests and states of mind. Please feel free to adapt, and we will be pleased to hear of all successes.

Bookmarks)

Bunting) download the templates provided

'Flag a Fact')

Choose your favourite fact from this book, make a flag and then put it in the window for people to see.

Design an alternative cover for this book using any medium you would like.

Discussion Point – if you are virtually meeting in a group, think about the following:

Is the ocean a beautiful world? Is it colourful? Is it frightening? For just animals, or for people as well?

English/Literacy

If you were swimming underwater and came across a shark, would you be frightened? Write a story about exploring underneath the sea. What can you see? Is it colourful or dark? How do you feel? Excited? Scared?

Maths

How many different animals can you count in this book? What about all the hidden creatures? How easy is it for them to hide? Animals use their camouflage to protect themselves. Does that make it more difficult to count?

Camouflage = disguise

Science

Not all sharks are dangerous to humans. What other creatures live underwater, and how dangerous are they? Do some research to find some other underwater creatures.

Look at their lifecycles and where they stand in the food cycle. Are they *predators* or *prey*?

Predator = hunter

Prey = victim, target, hunted

PHSE

A current concern about our oceans is the amount of plastic which ends up there. A group of authors have set out to promote the message to reduce this waste:

<https://www.authors4oceans.org/>

Can you make a pledge for some actions you can do at home and at school to cut down on using plastic? Some of these actions will be the same, but some may be different.

Read the story *Every Starfish Matters* on the authors4oceans website. What do you think?

Art/DT

This book is a Diorama – where parts are cut away to show layers. Can you make your own diorama?

<https://www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Diorama>

Draw an underwater scene or make a collage. Look at the patterns on the animals and plants and copy some of those. Try to make the patterns similar to some underwater creatures so they can hide among the underwater landscape.

Can you make your own collage (or sculpture if you have space) out of recyclable materials which otherwise would have ended up in the ocean?