

Themes

Frogs and Friends




Croak! Croak! Invite children to learn about our pond-loving friends and the freshwater habitat they call "home." Frogs, toads, turtles, ducks, and fish are among the creatures explored. Children will learn about metamorphosis, water plants, and insects as well.

Beach Vacation

Grab a towel and a beach umbrella—it's time for a vacation! Children will learn all about islands, ocean creatures, and seashells during this theme. Build sandcastles, bounce beach balls, and take a pretend airplane trip together. Even imaginary vacations can be fun and relaxing!

Alphabet Words

insects, jeep, kettle, lizard, milk, nest, orange, pig, quarter

Color/Shape	Letters/ Numbers
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Sign Language



Learn with Me!

• Playdough Pond Animals

Ask your child to share what they have learned about ponds and the animals that live in them. Using that conversation as inspiration, gather playdough to create frogs, turtles, and other pond creatures they recall. Talk about animal characteristics to encourage your child to add fun details to their creations. Use the playdough pond creatures to share songs, stories, or pretend play together.

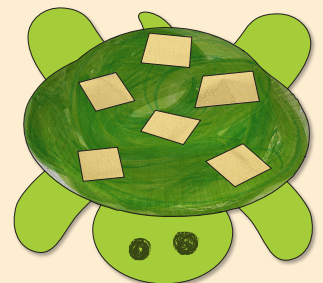
• Beach Salt Water

Water play and exploration is often a favorite among children. Invite your child to join you in creating your own beach salt water. Add water and salt to a container and mix. Taste the water before and after adding the salt for discovery and comparison. Add sand, seashells, and a few drops of blue food coloring as final touches for a nice beach water look. Talk about how the water changed flavor and color, move the container gently to create waves, and explore as your child wishes.

My Project: Baby Turtle

When I bring this project home, we can:

- Talk about the turtle's body parts.
- Learn about types of turtles by reading books.
- Say "turtle" and think of possible words that rhyme.



My Project: Seashell Collection

When I bring this project home, we can:

- Compare the different seashells.
- Count the number of seashells aloud.
- Search for rocks or other objects that we can paint, decorate, and turn into pretend seashells.



