



MISSOURI BUILDING BLOCK PICTURE BOOK AWARD

The Whale in My Swimming Pool

By Joyce Wan

Related Books:

Down to the Sea with Mr. Magee by Chris Van Dusen
If You Want to See a Whale by Julie Fogliano
I Spy Under the Sea by Edward Gibbs
Whale Is Stuck by Karen Hayles
Breathe by Scott Magoon
Rainbow Fish and the Big Blue Whale by Marcus Pfister
I'm the Best Artist in the Ocean by Kevin Sherry
I'm the Biggest Thing in the Ocean by Kevin Sherry

Rhymes and Songs:

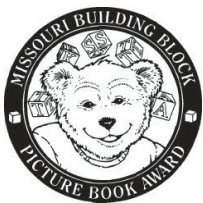
“Animals in the Sea,” (tune: “The Farmer In The Dell”)

The whales live in the sea.
The whales live in the sea.
Heigh-ho, watch them blow.
The whales live in the sea.
The crabs live in the sea.
The crabs live in the sea.
Heigh-ho, they scurry so.
The crabs live in the sea.
The octopus live in the sea.
The octopus live in the sea.
Heigh-ho, they live in holes.
The octopus live in the sea.
The sharks live in the sea.
The sharks live in the sea.
Heigh-ho, watch them go.
The sharks live in the sea.
The oysters live in the sea.
The oysters live in the sea.
Heigh-ho, they burrow below.
The oysters live in the sea.

taken from: <http://www.preschoolexpress.com> and used with permission.



The Missouri Building Block Picture Book Award is sponsored by the Missouri Library Association and administered by the Youth Services Community of Interest. To learn more about MLA or to download more activity sheets, please visit <http://molib.org>.



MISSOURI BUILDING BLOCK PICTURE BOOK AWARD

“Octopus’s Garden” from *Baby Beatles* by Caspar Babypants

“My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean” from *Laurie Berkner's Favorite Classic Kids' Songs* by Laurie Berkner Band

“Under the Sea” from *Musical Scarves & Activities* by Georgiana Stewart

Activities:

For storytelling or flannelboard: *Eye of the Needle* by Teri Sloat. It is an Eskimo folktale.

Hiding Whale: Make a beach version of the Little Mouse game using with a little whale and colored pails. <http://kdr4xmom.blogspot.com/2015/02/fun-at-beach.html>

Tactile Ocean: For a tactile experience and imaginative play, create an "ocean" out of a small child's wading pool. Fill it with torn blue crepe paper and small bouncy balls for a bubble effect. (Be certain that the balls are large enough to not be choking hazards!) Add various plastic play fish and other aquatic animals, ocean puppets or stuffed animals, or paper plate fish.

Whale Spout Craft: Cut out a whale shape and tape it to a straw. Attach blue streamer paper cut into strips to top of straw. Blow through the straw to make the whale spout.



The Missouri Building Block Picture Book Award is sponsored by the Missouri Library Association and administered by the Youth Services Community of Interest. To learn more about MLA or to download more activity sheets, please visit <http://molib.org>.