

PLAY SPACE CARDS

MISTER SEAHORSE

To create this play space, we used Eric Carle's book, Mister Seahorse, as our provocation inspiration! With our A2 Light Panel as our base, some cellophane seaweed and our A2 Light Panel Cover filled with some blue sand, we created a sensory ocean scene.

To add more sensory elements we placed our Three Way Table Top Mirror behind our tray and incorporated some Transparent Tactile Shells.

Using some Tinsel Pipe Cleaners we crafted some simple seahorses which is a super easy craft to get your children involved with! Explore shapes in nature whilst using those fine motor skills!

LEARNING THEMES AND CONNECTIONS

- → Ocean Discovery
- → Sustainability
- → Nature Inquiry
- → Ecosystems
- Seahorse Inquiry
- → Literacy Extension

PROMPTS & QUESTIONS

- What kind of animals live in the ocean, what do you know about them?
- * What do you want to know about the ocean?
- * How do you think animals in the ocean breathe?
- * How can we take care of the ocean for all the sea creatures?

EARLY YEARS LEARNING FRAMEWORK CONNECTIONS

- → Learning Outcome 2.4: Children become socially responsible and show respect for the environment
- → Learning Outcome 4.3: Children transfer and adapt what they have learned from one context to another
- → Learning Outcome 5.2: Children engage with a range of texts and gain meaning from these texts
- → Learning Outcome 5.5: Children use digital technologies and media to access information, investigate ideas and represent their thinking

Head to www.bellbird.com.au for more inspiration



EXTENSION IDEAS

- * Use books to research with children, or explore human impact on the ocean and spark conversations about conservation.
- * Use technology to build children's understanding, source educational videos such as:

SEAHORSE A Facts for Kids A SEAHORSE Can Lay

Hundreds of EGGS

(Scholastic on YouTube)

- * Create ocean themed small world play spaces to allow children to explore new ideas and concepts through play.
- * Explore environmental sustainability and connections between humans, plants, land, sea and animals.



RESOURCES

Here you'll find some of the resources we used to create our play space as well as some additional items to extend learning.





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