

“Under the Deep Blue Sea” (grades K-2)

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Picture Books

A Swim Through the Sea, written and illustrated by Kristin Joy Pratt (Dawn Publications, 1994)

Very Last First Time, written by Jan Andrews, illustrated by Ian Wallace (Atheneum, 1985)

Marina, written and illustrated by Ludwig Bemelmans (Harper & Row, 1962)

A House for Hermit Crab, written and illustrated by Eric Carle (Simon & Schuster, 1988)

One Lonely Seahorse, written by Saxton Freymann, illustrated by Joost Effers (Arthur A. Levine Books, 2000)

Where Will You Swim Tonight?, written by Milly Jane Limmer, illustrated by Helena Clare Pittman (Albert Whitman & Company, 1991)

Sea Squares, written by Joy N. Hulme, illustrated by Carol Schwartz (Hyperion Books for Children, 1991)

Swimmy, written and illustrated by Leo Lionni (Random House, 1968)

The Rainbow Fish, written and illustrated by Marcus Pfister (North South Books, Inc., 1992)

Into the A, B, Sea: An Ocean Alphabet, written by Deborah Lee Rose, illustrated by Steve Jenkins (Scholastic Press, 2000)

Across the Big Blue Sea: An Ocean Picture Book, written and illustrated by Jakki Wood (National Geographic Society, 1998)

Poetry Collections

In the Swim, by David Florian (Voyager Books, 1997): This is an illustrated collection of brief, often humorous poems featuring sea creatures such as catfish, salmon, piranhas, eel, sawfish, sea horses, whales, starfish, flounder, sharks, flying fish, jellyfish, and more.

My First Oxford Book of Poems, edited by J. Foster (Oxford University Press, 2000): The section of this anthology entitled "Beside the Sea" includes an array of ocean-related verses by classic and contemporary poets.

The Oxford Book of Animal Poems, edited by Michael Harrison and Christopher Stuart-Clark (Oxford University Press, 1992): This anthology includes poems about octopi, skates, sharks, sea lions, seals, dolphins, whales, penguins, and seahawks.

Poetry for Young People: Lewis Carroll, edited by Edward Mendelsohn (Sterling Publishing Company, 2000): This collection of Carroll's verses includes "The Mock Turtle's Song" from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, as well as an earlier version of the poem, which could serve as inspiration for students' own whimsical poems about sea life.

The Random House Book of Poetry for Children, edited by Jack Prelutsky (Random House, 1983): This anthology includes poems about seals, codfish, flying fish, sea gulls, and sandpipers, as well as other poems about the seashore in general.

Sailing Days: Stories and Poems about Sailors and the Sea, edited by A. McKay (ACC Children's Classics, 1998): Although not specifically about sea animals, the stories and poems in this collection

could provide interesting opportunities for extending the unit into a broader range of ocean-related literature.

Online Nursery Rhymes (click on the title to go to the site)

["Little Drops of Water, Little Grains of Sand, Make the Mighty Ocean and the Pleasant Land"](#) from Mama Lisa's Nursery Rhymes.

["My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean"](#) on HPD's Nursery Rhymes Page

["The Owl and the Pussycat"](#)

Research Books

Animals on the Seashore (Octopus Publishing Group, Ltd., 2001)

Draw 50 Sharks, Whales, and Other Sea Creatures, by Lee J. Ames (Doubleday, 1989)

The Magic School Bus on the Ocean Floor, by Joanna Cole (Scholastic, Inc., 1992)

The Aquarium Take-Along Book, by Sheldon L. Gerstenfeld (Penguin Putnam, 1994)

Exploring the Deep, Dark Sea, by Gail Gibbons (Little, Brown, & Co., 1999)

World Water Watch, by M. Koch (Greenwillow Books, 1993)

Beneath Blue Waters: Meetings with Remarkable Sea Creatures, by Deborah Kovacs and Kate Madin (Viking, 1996)

Sea Creatures Do Amazing Things, by Arthur Myers (Random House, 1981)

Shark in the Sea, by Joanne Ryder (Morrow Junior Books, 1997)

Night of Ghosts and Hermits: Nocturnal Life on the Seashore, by Mary Stolz (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich Publishers, 1985)