

THE CREATURE GAMES -FAMILY GAME NIGHT-

How about planning a family game night once a month to play games that tie into the monthly studies?

ANIMAL GUESSING GAME

Game: Who Am I

Write the names of different ocean animals (like dolphin, shark, sea turtle, octopus, and jellyfish) on sticky notes, one for each player. Without looking, each player sticks a note on their forehead so everyone else can see the animal they have. Players take turns asking yes-or-no questions to guess their animal, or the other players can give clues by acting out the animal's behavior without using any words. The goal is to guess which ocean animal is on your forehead based on the clues or actions. Keep playing until everyone has guessed their animal.

OCTOPUSES - MASTERS OF CAMOUFLAGE

Game: Octopus Hide and Seek

Play a game of hide and seek with a twist. The player who is the "seeker" counts with their eyes closed while the "octopuses" (other players) hide. The catch is that the "octopuses" must change their hiding spot each time they are spotted by the seeker, simulating an octopus's ability to camouflage and escape predators by changing locations. The game continues until all "octopuses" are found or have successfully evaded capture for a set amount of time.

SHARKS - PREDATORS OF THE DEEP

Game: Shark Tag

Choose one player to be the "shark" and the rest to be "fish." Mark a safe zone (like a carpet or a blanket on the floor). The "shark" must try to tag the "fish" as they dart in and out of the safe zone. If a "fish" gets tagged, they become a "shark" too. Continue playing until all "fish" have been turned into "sharks." This game mimics the thrilling chase between predators and prey in the ocean.

JELLYFISH - DRIFTERS OF THE OCEAN

Game: Jellyfish Drift

Fill up a few balloons with air to represent jellyfish and give each player a balloon. The goal is to keep the balloon "jellyfish" in the air for as long as possible using only their breath to blow it upwards or sideways, simulating how jellyfish drift through ocean currents. For added difficulty, introduce an obstacle course where players must keep their balloon moving without letting it touch the ground or certain objects.

OPEN OCEAN FAMILY GAME NIGHT

CRABS - SIDEWAYS WALKERS

Game: Crab Walk Relay

Set up a relay race in your living room or yard. Players must move from one end to the other while doing a crab walk (hands and feet on the ground, belly up) to mimic how crabs move sideways. Divide into teams or take turns and see who can complete the course the fastest without falling over. This game is a fun way to get moving and imitate the unique locomotion of crabs.

WHALES - GIANTS OF THE OCEAN

Game: Whale Breach

Choose a bed to be the "ocean" for a safe landing, and have players take turns being the "whale." Starting on the floor, the "whale" must jump onto the bed, simulating a whale breaching out of the water. After each jump, the rest of the family holds up cards with numbers to score the "whale" based on the type of jump. You can have different rounds where players are judged on the longest jump, the most creative trick jump, or even the most graceful landing. This adds variety and fun to each round, keeping everyone engaged and entertained!

CLOWNFISH - OCEAN JOKESTERS

Game: Clownfish Comedy Show

Each player takes turns being the "clownfish" and must tell their best joke or funny story to the rest of the family. After each joke, the other players hold up cards with numbers to score the joke based on how funny it was. To keep the game playful and light-hearted, you can also have categories for the best joke, funniest delivery, or most creative story. This game is a great way to bring laughter into family game night, even though clownfish aren't actually known for their jokes—it's all in good fun!