

Sea Turtle Craft

Create Your Own Turtle

TIME/AUDIENCE:

15-30 minutes
Pre K – 5th

MATERIALS:

- Paper Plate
- Glue
- Scissors
- Crayons/
Markers

VOCABULARY:

- Reptile
- Shell
- Flippers
- Beak
- Scales

TEKS:

K: 2A, 10B

1st: 2A, 9A, 10C

2nd: 2A, 10A

3rd: 2A, 10A

4th: 2A, 10A

5th: 2B, 10A

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OBJECTIVE:

Students will learn about sea turtle anatomy and construct their own sea turtle.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The feature that sets these **reptiles** apart from other animals is the presence of a hard, bony **shell** that is for protection. Sea turtles use their **flippers** to swim through the ocean. Turtles do not have teeth. Instead, they have a **beak** similar to the beak of a bird. Unlike humans, **scales** cover their bodies.

ACTIVITY PROCEDURES:

1. Color the head and flippers. Cut them out.
2. Design the shell of your turtle. Let the children be creative and design their own turtle.
3. Arrange them on the plate so the head is between the two longest flippers. The smaller two are back flippers.
4. Glue flippers onto your paper plate.

WRAP UP:

Ask the students to tell you the features of a sea turtle. Ask the students to explain why they chose the design for their shell.



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