

This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. We will celebrate this week of "Oceans of Possibilities" with a fun game, I call "the very Hungry Shark". Sharks are another amazing sea creature. They are known for their speed, and power. It is thought they have been around for 400 million years, before even the dinosaurs. Sharks were some of the first animals with a vertebra but no bones, to evolve on our earth. Sharks are fish and use their gills at the back of the mouth to filter oxygen from the water. The shark has eyes that see color The shark uses its teeth to tear their food but do not chew. Do you think they have a tongue to stick out and lick things?



1-Cut a piece of cardboard that is about 13 inches long by 10 inches wide. (you can make your game as larger, if you want) Fold it in three sections. Cut slits on either side of one end. If you do not have cardboard, you could use a cereal box or any heavy material. Fold the side without the slits under so it sits on the floor or table. Use the two remaining sections to draw a picture of a shark head. The middle section will be the mouth. Cut out the mouth to the size of the middle section. Color the shark head, add some eyes, and add some big shark teeth **to the back** of the cardboard. Tape these teeth down well so they are secure when you play the game.

2-After you have added the teeth and colored the background, fold the two slits only, down to meet the bottom flap in the back. Tape them together. You can reinforce this with an extra piece of cardboard. Now create some fish for the very hungry shark to eat. You can make the fish with two pieces of paper and fill the inside with different weights of materials. Tape the sides shut. You can also use coins or small balls, or even balls of paper- rolled up. Take turns trying to get the fish in the mouth of the shark. You can score points or just have ferocious fun, feeding the shark.

Don't let your shark eat through

everything in the house!

Ms. Susan

