

This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. "Surf's up" this week at the library. We will be checking out "Oceans of Possibilities" on top of the water with our very own mini-surfboard. Design your own board and share one with a friend or family member. You can even try out your board in water outside, in the bathtub, sink, or at the beach. Skateboarding is surfing on land. So many possibilities! There are lots of World Records in surfing. -The biggest wave recorded was in Alaska at 530 meters. There are even dog surfers with "Abbie Girl", the female dog with the world record of longest wave ride of 107.2 meters. The longest ride on a wave was a record, 37 minutes. Someone who uses their whole body to surf, is known as a "Booger". Is that because they stick to the board?



1-Trace an oval shape on Styrofoam with the front end pointed and the back end in a tail shape. You might use a Styrofoam plate, something from shipping, or maybe even a food tray from the grocery store. If you are using a thick Styrofoam, punch holes outside the lines you have drawn. This will make it easier to cut through. Design and color your board. So many possibilities! You can use permanent markers if you will be using it in water. You can seal the surface with a glue/water mixture and let it dry. You can even try clear nail polish or clear sealer, if you have at home, and have permission from an adult.

2-Once everything is dry, try the board out in water. If you have a figure at home, try using it as the surfer-dude. Swirl one area of water and see how it affects the movement of the board and surfer. Does the weight of the surfer make a difference? Trying blowing in the water. Does this move the surfer around?



Remember

"Oceans of Possibilities" means endless choices and tries!

Ms. Susan