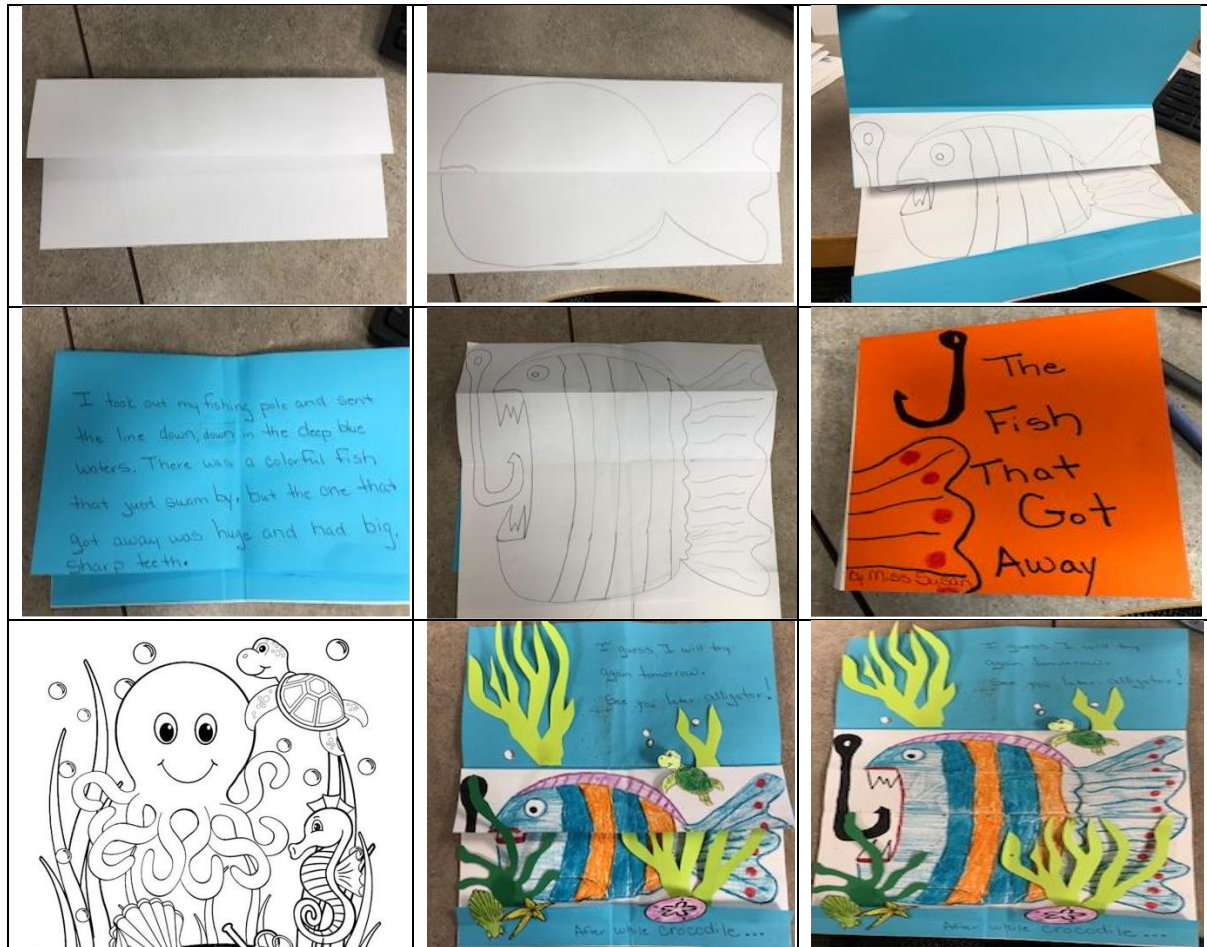


This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. Here we are starting the summer with hot and sunny days. This is a great time for a few fish tales. Do you know about the exaggeration of a story, to make it sound really, really good? This is called a fish tale. Use your imagination to write a story about a fish at the bottom of the deep, blue sea and the adventures that can happen. All fish are cold-blooded animals that live in water. Fish have backbones, fins to help them move through the water, and gills to breathe under water. There are fish of many sizes and colors, and so many stories to tell. What is your fish tale going to be?



1-Take a piece of paper and fold it in half length-wise. Take the top half of the paper and fold it in half again towards the top of the paper. With fold in place, draw a picture of a fish with the gills, fins, and all the body lines. Glue the fish page to the inside of a book or heavy paper folded in half. Add some blue color at the bottom of the page for the deep, blue sea. Color a larger piece of paper blue and attach it to the top of the page. You can fold the blue paper down and start your story. Write about the fish, the sea, or any adventures that could happen. Open the paper up all the way and continue all the lines to meet the bottom of the fish body.

2- Add a title to the front cover. Don't forget to add your name, as the author of the fish tale. Color your fish and add some things that you would see at the bottom of the sea. Share your fish tale with someone at your house and see if they really believe your fish tale.

This is a great activity, but it all sounds very fishy to me!

Ms. Susan