

Summer Ideas

**Super Sand Castle / Sculpture**

If you go to a sand beach, make a sandcastle or sand sculpture. Take a photo and bring it to school.

What can you create: a castle, crab, car, boat...?



**The Seaside**

**Shaun the Sheep**

Shaun the Sheep Flock to the Seaside:  
<https://www.lovereadng4kids.co.uk/extract/11236/Shaun-the-Sheep-Flock-to-the-Seaside-by-Martin-Howard.html>

What could happen next?

**Now & Then – what's changed?**

Look at photos of a beach from the Victorian time e.g. Blackpool.

What's the same and what's different?  
 What was a bathing hut and what was it for?

**Ice Cream Flavours**



An ice cream shop sells 3 flavours: vanilla, strawberry, chocolate.  
 You can have 2 scoops in a cone.  
 How many different combinations can you have e.g. vanilla + vanilla, chocolate + strawberry...

**Make & Fly a Kite**

People love to fly kites at the beach...  
 or in the park.  
 Try making your own kite.



There are lots of different way to make kites:

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/makes/do-you-know-make-a-kite>
- [http://www.bbc.co.uk/norfolk/kids/make\\_kite.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/norfolk/kids/make_kite.shtml)
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/thingstodo/bp-how-to-make-a-plastic-bag-kite>

**Stone tower**

Balance stones on top each other.  
 How high can you build your tower?



What if the shop sold 4 flavours...  
 5 flavours...?



**Habitats**

What animals live at the seaside?  
 What animals might you find on a rocky beach?  
 Draw a picture of the animals you might find.



**Picture Postcard**

Draw and write a postcard to your school.  
 Describe a day at the seaside.

Write a holiday brochure to a seaside town...  
 persuade people to visit the town.

**Beach games**

There are lots of games you could play at the beach: football, cricket, boules, rounders... or you could make up your own!



## Backyard/garden Seaside

If you can't get to the seaside, maybe you could make one in your backyard/garden. Here are some ideas:

- Use chalks to create a seaside scene on a wall eg. sky, sea, sand, lighthouse
- Make a sandpit using a large plastic container/tray (keep it covered when not in use so cats don't use it)
- Put water in a large plastic container/paddling pool and keep your feet cool when it's hot (under adult supervision)
- Use umbrellas as sunshades or create a sunshade out of towels and chair backs



## Seaside Diorama

A diorama is a 3D model of a scene. They can easily be made in an old box

- Paint or colour the background
- Make some seaside-inspired models
- Stick them in

There you have it - a miniature seaside. All you need now is ice-cream!



## Rag Rug Beach Mat

Make a rag rug to use as a beach/picnic mat. You may need an adult to help

- Use old clothes/towels/bedding that is clean but not ready for throwing away
- Cut into long strips
- Using three strips at a time, plait them together
- Either roll the plaits into spirals and sew in that shape or
- Sew the strips together until you get the size you want



If the mat project is too big, you could just make some wrist bands



## Seaside Rhyme/Poetry Challenge

Can you learn off by heart?

Early Readers (approx. YR-Y1)	Developing Readers (approx. Y2-Y3/4)	Fluent Readers (approx. Y4-6)
<p><b>Once I Caught a Fish Alive</b></p> <p>1, 2, 3, 4, 5, <i>(raise one finger at a time until all five fingers on one hand are raised)</i>            Once I caught a fish alive,            6, 7, 8, 9, 10, <i>(raise fingers on your second hand one at a time)</i>            Then I let him go again.            Why did you let him go?            Because he bit my finger so.            Which finger did he bite?            This little finger on my right. <i>(wiggle right pinky finger)</i></p> <p><b>I'm a Little Fish</b>  <i>(sung to the tune of I'm a Little Teapot)</i>            I'm a little fish o, <i>(hold up one hand with thumb facing upwards to represent a fish)</i>            Watch me swim. <i>(move hand back and forward)</i>            Here is my tail, <i>(wiggle fingers on fish hand)</i>            And here is my fin. <i>(wiggle thumb)</i>            When I want to have fun,            With my friends,            I swish my tail and dive right in. <i>(swish fish hand around)</i></p> <p><a href="https://childhood101.com/ocean-sea-rhymes-finger-plays-action-songs/">https://childhood101.com/ocean-sea-rhymes-finger-plays-action-songs/</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>A Day at Sea</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">By Melissa Roberson</p> <p>As the ocean waves at me,            And the sand greets the sea,            The fish swim free,            And shells wash up by me.</p> <p>The sand squishes suddenly,            Between my shoeless toes.            Then the tide flows over them,            And back down it goes.</p> <p>The salt is on my tongue,            The sea's song is sung,            The sun is going down,            And so my day at sea is done.</p> <p>Source: <a href="https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/a-day-at-sea">https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/a-day-at-sea</a></p>	<p>Taken from <b>A Miracle to Behold</b> by Pat Fleming</p> <p>Seagulls soar above her surf,            The sun reflects and gleams,            While people come from miles around            To stroll upon her beach.</p> <p>Her touch conveys an icy chill            Through her stinging, foamy spray,            While her thunderous waves rush to the shore,            Then gently roll away.</p> <p>Her blue horizon meets the sky,            The end cannot be seen            While her salty fragrance fills the air            And floats upon the breeze.</p> <p>Source: <a href="https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/a-miracle-to-behold">https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/a-miracle-to-behold</a></p>