

Finger Plays

Five Little Ocean Friends

This finger play helps develop number awareness.
Cut out the Ocean Friends below and
attach each one to a popsicle stick.

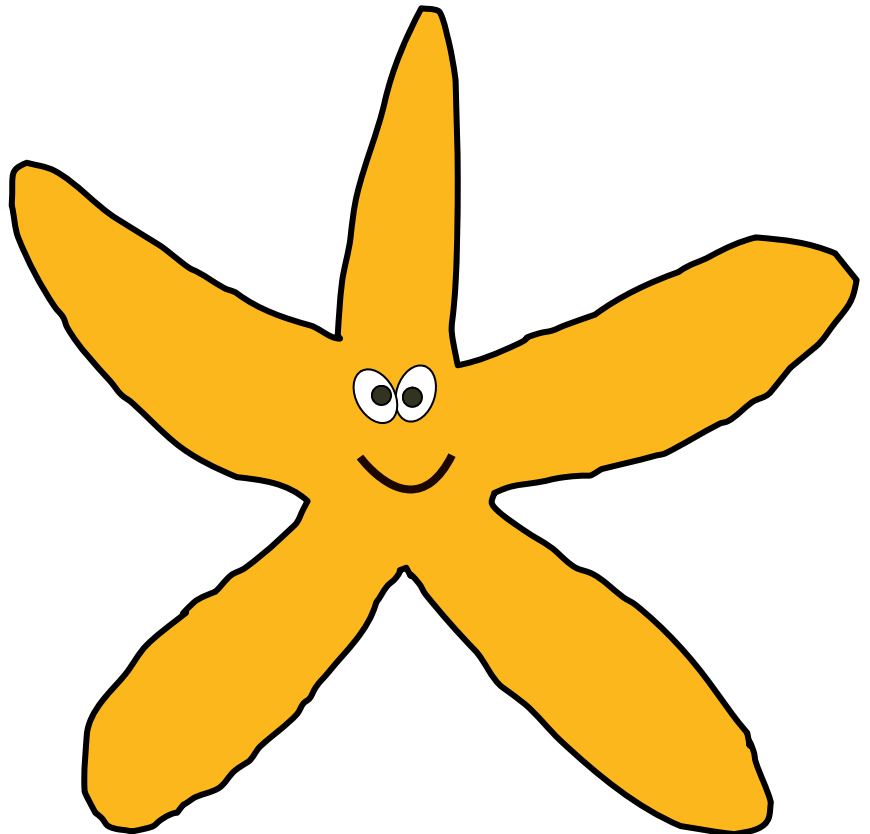
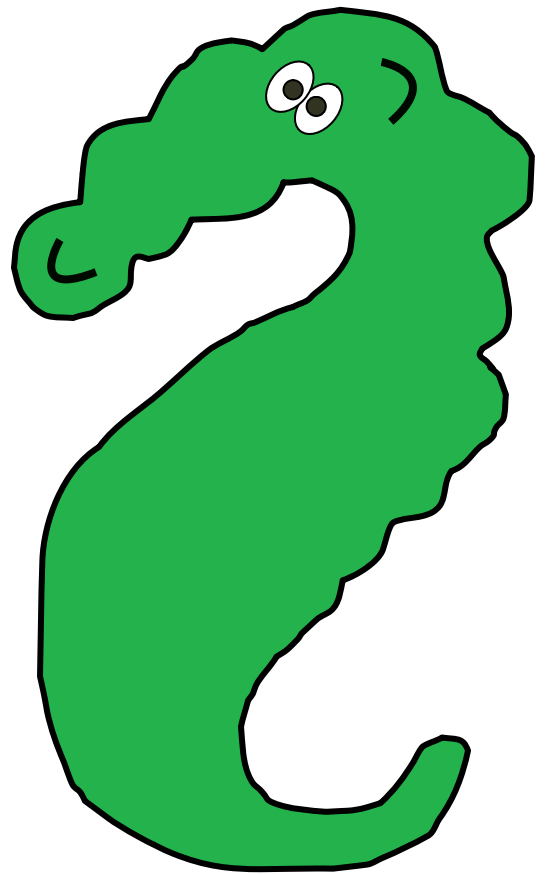
Five little ocean friends
On the ocean floor;
The starfish walks away
Now there are four.

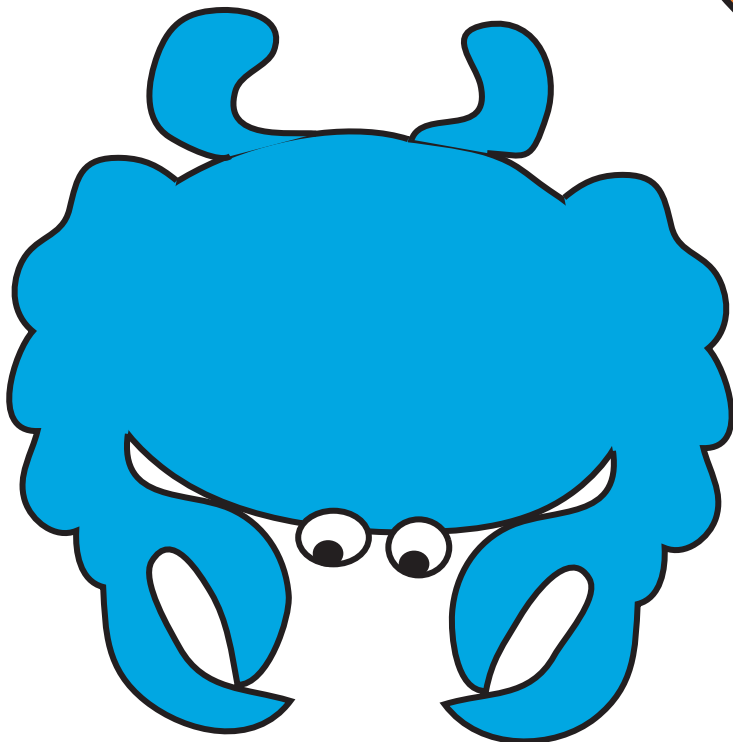
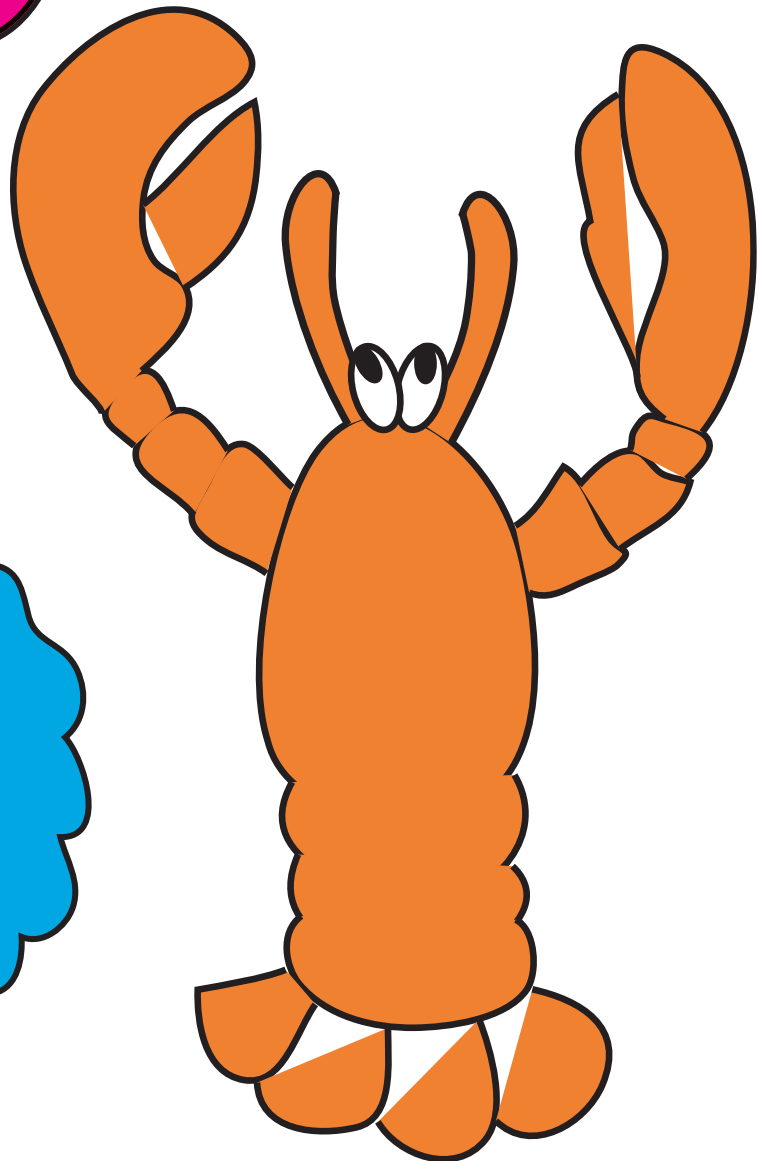
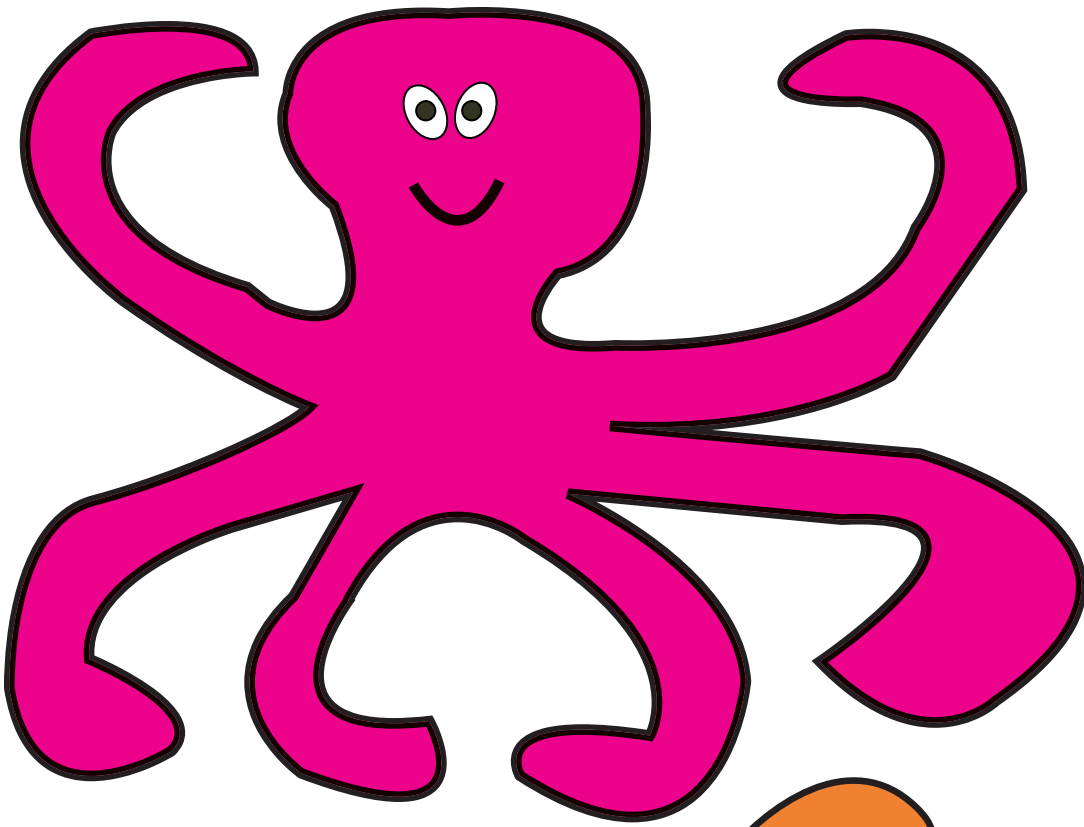
Four little ocean friends
Living in the sea;
The crab slides away
Now there are three.

Three little ocean friends
Looking for a clue;
“Glub, glup,” said the lobster.
Now there are two.

Two little ocean friends
Not having much fun;
Off swam the sea horse
Now there is one.

One little octopus
Sad and all alone,
Back swims the starfish,
Back swims the crab,
Back swims the lobster,
Back swims the sea horse,
And they played in the foam.





At The Beach

- I dig holes in the sand with my fingers, (Wiggle fingers.)
- I dig holes in the sand with my toes, (Wiggle toes.)
- Then I pour some water in the holes, (Pretend to pour water.)
- I wonder where it goes? (Hold hands out to sides, palms up.)

I Went to the Beach

- I went to the beach
And what did I see? (Make binoculars with hands.)
- A bird on the sand
Looking at me! (Make beak with fingers over nose.)
- I went to the beach
And what did I see? (Make binoculars with hands.)
- A fish in the water
Splashing at me! (Wiggle one hand to imitate fish swimming.)
- I went to the beach
And what did I see? (Binoculars)
- A shell in the sand
Sparkling at me! (Raise hand to level of ears and wiggle fingers to imitate 'sparkle.')
- A crab in its shell
Waving at me! (Make hands a shallow 'C' to imitate claws
and wave side to side.)

