

Habihats

By creating your very own habitat hat, you'll be able to show everyone in your home the important places that your favourite Ocean animals live! Think about the colours these animals might be, and the different shapes that you would see in their home! Follow the instructions below to create a habitat hat.

YOU WILL NEED:

- Paper (to fit around head, and is at least 10cm wide)
- Paper to draw animals
- Colouring items (pens, pencils, paints)
- Scissors
- Glue
- Stapler or paperclips
- Items to stick on hat (tissue paper, feathers, anything you can find at home!)

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Take a long strip of paper that will be able to fit around your head. Extra challenge: Ask an adult to help you use a tape measure to measure your head accurately!
2. Once you have your strip of paper, you need to choose habitat for your animals to live in! Have a look in books, or online, and research Ocean habitats. Look at the different colours, shapes, textures and patterns you can see in that habitat, try to recreate some of your favourite features. Maybe your animals live in a colourful coral reef, or a bumpy rockpool!
3. Next, you need to add some 3D features. You can use recycled items you can find around the home, such as tissue paper, sweet wrappers, and pom-poms! Anything that you think will look good in your habitat. You could even add texture by rubbing a pencil or crayon on your hat when it's on top of a bumpy surface.
4. Now, you need some animals to your habitat. On a piece of paper, draw some animals that you might have seen whilst researching your habitat. There are some colouring sheets on our website to help you. Think about:
 - What makes them well suited to that habitat?
 - What colours and patterns can you see?
 - Do they live in groups, or by themselves?
 - Do they hide in seaweed, coral or rocks, or live in the open water?
5. Cut your animals out, then add them to your habitat! Make sure you ask an adult to help you use scissors.
6. Using a stapler or paperclips, attach one end of your paper to the other, to create a hat that you can wear!