

MISSION CONSERVATION ACTIVITY GUIDE

June 2026 – We All Live Downstream

Hello agents! This month's theme is We All Live Downstream! Even in land-locked areas, we're all connected to the ocean in some way!

Outdoor Activity: Trash to Treasure



This activity teaches you how to turn waste into a cool ocean animal! We'll be making jellyfish out of plastic bags!

Materials:

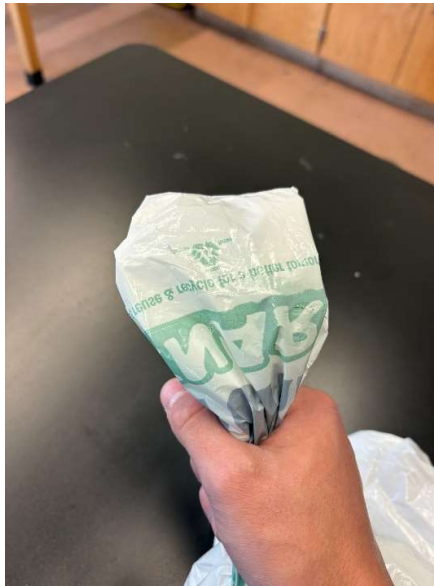
- Plastic bag
- Scissors
- Rubber band
- Beads
- Sharpie

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Procedure:

1. Take a plastic bag and create a small, circular pocket



2. Fill the pocket with beads



3. Using a rubber band, tie off the bottom of the pocket. This creates a “head” for our jellyfish

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4. Using scissors, cut out strips underneath the jellyfish's head, creating tentacles



5. Draw on a smiley face, or any facial expression you want!



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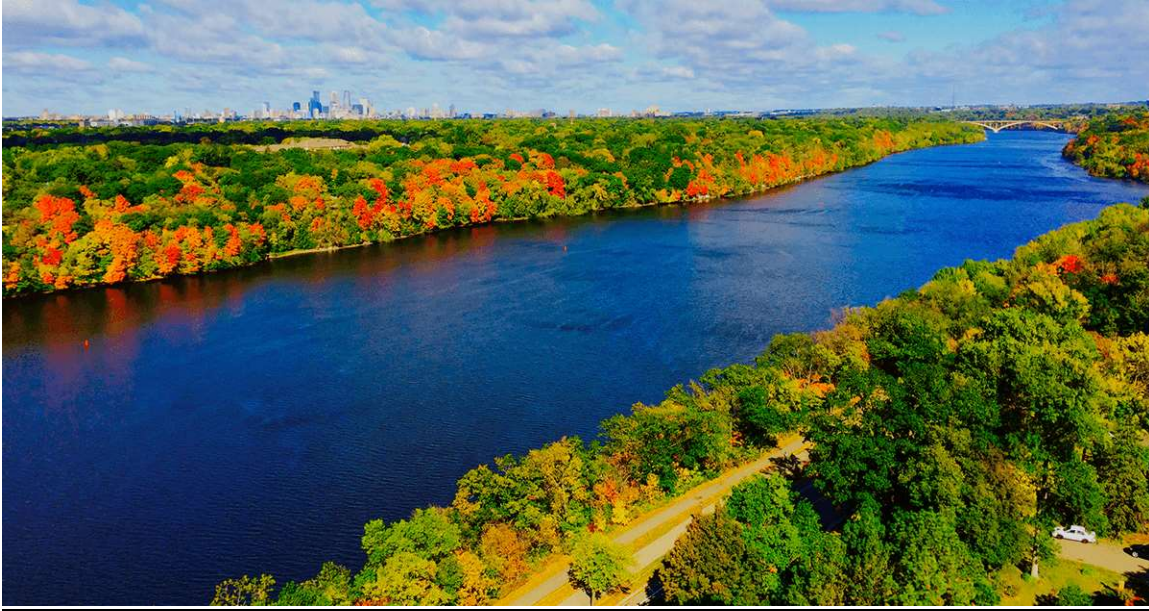
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Indoor Activity: Trace the Waterways



You may be closer to an ocean than you think! Let's do an activity to discover just how far you are from the sea!

Steps:

1. Print off the map provided in this document down below
2. Use books, an atlas, or the internet to locate major U.S. rivers, such as:
 - i. Mississippi River
 - ii. Missouri River
 - iii. Ohio River
 - iv. Colorado River
 - v. Columbia River
3. Using a pencil, lightly draw where each river flows on your map. Start at the river's source (where it begins) and follow it to where it ends
4. Once you are confident, trace over your pencil lines with a blue marker or colored pencil



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5. Draw small arrows along each river to show the direction the water is flowing
6. Write the names of the rivers neatly next to your blue lines
7. Notice where rivers join together! Draw connecting rivers where appropriate to show how water systems link
8. Follow your rivers all the way to where they empty into an ocean or gulf. Label the body of water they end up in (Pacific Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, etc.)

We hope you enjoyed the activity guide this month! Don't forget to check out the at-home mission for this month! To see a list of our other missions, or to learn more about Wonders of Wildlife, visit us at <https://wondersofwildlife.org/mission-conservation/>

