



My Life With The Wave



A sheer magical tale about a boy who brings home a wave is based on a story by Octavio Paz, and adapted by Catherine Cowan. LeVar explores the beauty and fascination of water, the rhythm and energy of waves, and visits people who are fulfilling the dream to save endangered sea life.

Here are several activities you and your child can do together after watching this episode.

Does it float, or not?

You will need:

- bucket of water
- variety of waterproof things such as an unopened can of soda, a plastic spoon, a wooden spoon
- a metal spoon, a cup, paper clips, cotton ball, pencil, eraser, an orange, etc.

Directions:

Have your child place the items in the bucket one at a time to see if it floats. Help your child keep track by writing a list of the things that float and the things that do not.

Options:

Using the list, talk about why some items float and others do not.



For Little Squirts

Three easy water activities for little squirts.

Off to the Races

See who is first to push a ping-pong ball across a finish line using the spray from a water squirter.

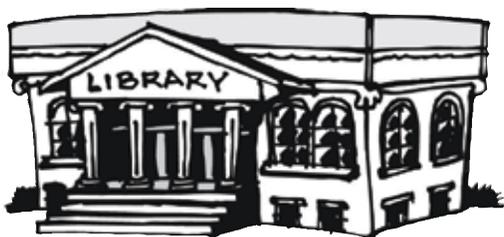
Water Colors

Soak an old sheet in water and then hang on a line outdoors. Arm your little squirts with paint, brushes, sponges, or paint-filled squirt bottles to make colorful designs and pictures on the sheet. Not happy with the results? Squirt off the paint and try again!

Crystal Garden

For this experiment you will need:

- alum (Look in the grocery store by the spices.)
 - boiling water
 - small clear glass bowl
 - small rocks, pebbles, or colorful stones such as those for an aquarium
1. Have your child put small pebbles or rocks in the bottom of a small, clear glass bowl.
 2. An adult can combine $\frac{1}{2}$ cup boiling water with 2 ounces of alum.
 3. Have your child pour the water-alum mixture into the glass bowl over the pebbles.
 4. Within a few hours crystals will begin to form.



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Visit Your Community Library

Here are some books you can check out on your next trip to the library

- ◆ **Water Dance** by Thomas Locker
- ◆ **Here Is The Coral Reef** by Madeleine Dunphy
- ◆ **Our Wet World** by Sneed B. Collard, III