

The Mayor's Book Club is pleased to present our Book-of-the-Month for January;



Rainbow Fish and the Big Blue Whale

By: Marcus Pfister

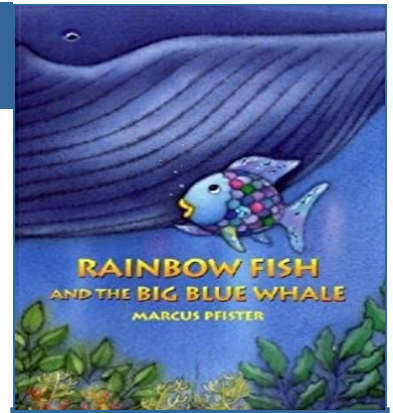
It's Fun and Easy!

Rainbow Fish and the Big Blue Whale by Marcus Pfister is a story that shows how important it is to communicate and work from a place of understanding.

Tip #1 – **Rainbow Fish and the Big Blue Whale** is a story that has small paragraphs on each set of pages. This book is excellent for a child to listen to a longer story read aloud or even for an emerging reader to practice.

Tip #2 – The story has beautiful illustrations throughout the book. The school of fish and the whale have many interactions throughout the book, and the images support the story. The deep blue ocean, the coral, and the surrounding creatures help bring the story to life.

Tip #3 – **Rainbow Fish and the Big Blue Whale** is a great story to discuss throughout the pages or at the end of the story. The book has a lot of social interactions, and it is vital to share those moments with your child. You can ask questions such as: What happened on this page? Which emotions were the fish feeling here or the whale? Why should we get to know others? Can you name a time you made a friend at school, the park, your neighborhood, etc.? These questions can make the story feel life-like and have time for reflection.



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Did You Know?

This month's story is *Rainbow Fish and the Big Blue Whale* by Marcus Pfister. The classic character, Rainbow Fish, is back with a new adventure where Rainbow Fish and his friends meet someone new in the ocean. They realize a valuable lesson in getting to know others before making assumptions and that communication from both parties is key.

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Paper Plate Fish Craft

Inspired by The Rainbow Fish



BRING THE STORY TO LIFE!



Image from www.organiccookerschool.org

Rainbow Fish Pizza

Cut Tortillas into a fish shape. Spread tomato sauce on the tortilla and top with your favorite pizza toppings.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Hampton Area Museums

Hampton History Museum

120 Old Hampton Lane, Hampton

Hours: Monday—Saturday 10 am to 5pm ,
Sunday 1pm to 5pm

Hampton University Museum

14 Frissell Ave, Hampton

Hours: Monday—Friday 8am to 5pm,
Saturday 12pm to 4pm

Casemate Museum of Fort Monroe

20 Bernard Rd, Hampton

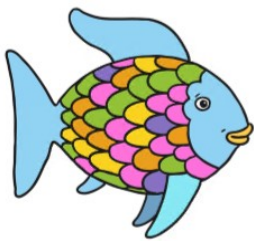
Virginia Air & Space Science Center

600 Settlers Landing Rd, Hampton

Hours: Monday—Saturday 10:30 am to 4pm,
Sunday 12pm to 4pm



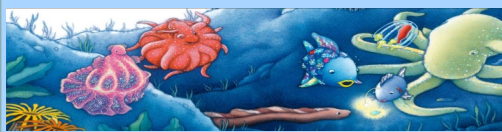
The Rainbow Fish Counting



- How many yellow scales can you count?
- How many orange scales can you count?
- How many green scales can you count?
- How many pink scales can you count?
- How many purple scales can you count?

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BOOK PICKS

Chris & Croc
by Marcus Pfister

The Pout-Pout Fish
by Deborah Diesen

You Can't Win Them All,
Rainbow Fish
by Marcus Pfister

SEA ANIMALS

CROSSWORD

1. Whale 2. Dolphin 3. Turtle 4. Shark 5. Snail 6. Oyster 7. Shrimp 8. Starfish

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