

TURTLE ART

Meet The Deep's river turtles, enjoy a story and create a mini-Rio turtle puppet of your own.

This story and art session allows learners to find out more about The Deep's River turtles and consider the threats they face in the wild.

The session encourages learners to develop skills in the area of expressive arts and design.



THE DEEP
For conservation, not profit



EYFS



Art & Design



40 mins



SDG
14&15

CURRICULUM LINKS

The session links with the Early Learning Goals for:

Citizenship: caring for animals and the environment. Expressive Arts and Design.

OBJECTIVES

For learners to:

- Discover some basic facts about River turtles.
- Make a turtle puppet from their own selection of materials.
- Recognise and create simple repeating patterns.

LEARNING SESSION CONTENT

TURTLE ENCOUNTERS

The session begins with the story of Rio the River turtle who swims into trouble with an old piece of fishing net. Luckily a kind human comes to the rescue and Rio is saved.

We then visit our River turtles in their habitat at The Deep.

Learners are encouraged to observe their appearance and discuss how they move while considering how they are different to sea turtles.

CREATE A CREATURE

(Free choice activities)

- Make a small turtle puppet using a template.
- Develop their own creative ideas to apply patterns to the shell with felt tip pens, metallic crayons, stickers and collage materials.

LOVE OUR LOGGERHEADS

Watch the video of our Loggerhead turtles in the Endless Oceans exhibit and consider turtle conservation in the wild.

There will also be the opportunity for a class photo.