5 Little Fishies

A counting backwards song that will really catch your attention!

WHAT THEY LEARN

Counting to 5, subtracting, one to one correspondence, opposites (loud and quiet)

WHAT YOU NEED

Shark puppet or visual, 5 fish puppets or visuals

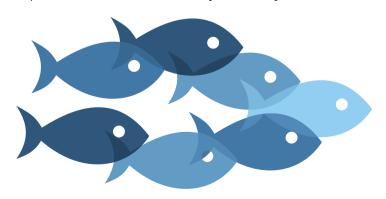
WHAT TO DO

- Get out your 5 fish puppets or visuals and ask students to count how many you have.
- Sing the song, bringing out the shark at the appropriate time.
- Count the number of fish between each verse.

LYRICS

There were 5 little fishies
Swimming in the sea
Teasing Mr. Shark
"You can't catch me"
Along comes Mr. Shark
Quiet as can be and....SNAP!

repeat until there are no fishies left



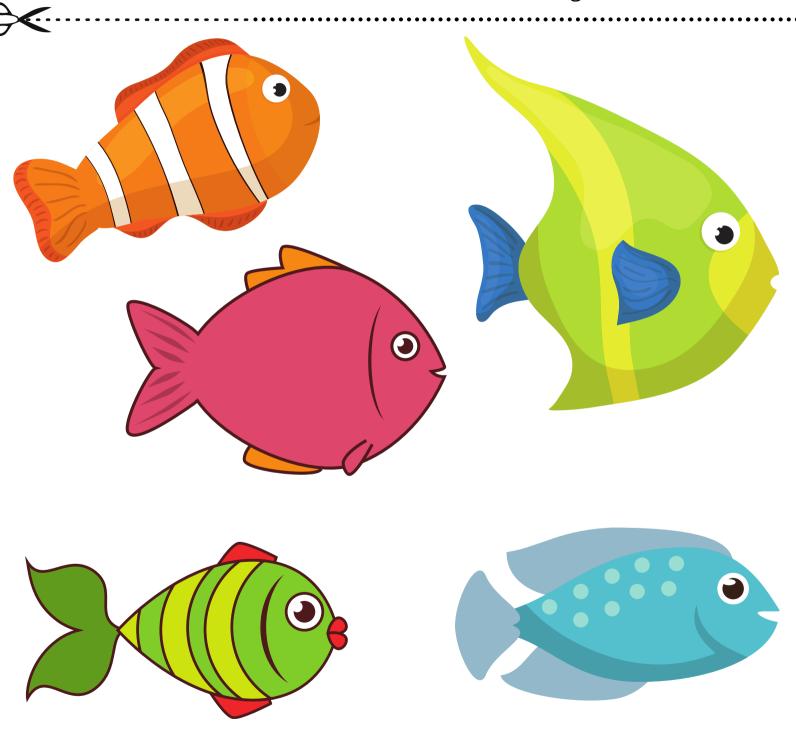
Music Therapsy Connection

Counting backwards and

counting backwards and subtracting can be tricky concepts for new counters. Use visuals to practice counting forward to 5, and then slowly demonstrate counting backwards while taking away the visuals one at a time.

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No shark or fish puppets? No worries! Here are some visuals you can cut and laminate to use in our ocean songs.



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