



It's Tough Being a Sea Turtle Teacher's Guide

Program Summary

Discover the not-so-glamorous part of being a sea turtle. Through interactive play and games, students learn about the natural and human-associated threats that sea turtles face. In addition, they will learn how they too can help our fine, flippered friends.

Key Vocabulary

Life Stage—Stage of development of a living organism
Hatchling—A sea turtle that has just hatched out of it's egg
Juvenile—A young sea turtle in it's teenage years
Sub-adult—A sea turtle that is around 20-25 years old
Adult—A sea turtle that is over 30-35 years old
Predator—Something that could hurt a living organism

Activities

All species of sea turtles are endangered, discuss the endangered species list. What determines whether an animal is endangered or not, why would an animal need to be on the endangered species list, what is done to protect endangered species. Have your students participate in a project that can help our endangered species. (i.e. Make bird boxes for endangered birds, or plant an endangered plant)

Pre and Post Tests

To help the Georgia Sea Turtle Center improve our educational programs we are including a pre and post test with this guide. The test should be given before your students come to the center, and after they return from their visit. Please return the pre and post tests to us at:

Georgia Sea Turtle Center
 214 Stable Road
 Jekyll Island, GA 31527

If you have any questions, feel free to give us a call at (912) 635-4076.



This program was designed to align with the Georgia Performance Standards. Each applicable standard is shown in the table to the right.

Grade Level	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Correlating Georgia Performance Standards	S1CS7.a ELA1LSV1.b ELA1LSV1.c	S2CS7.a S2L1.a ELA2LSV1.a	ELA3LSV1.a	S4L1.a S4L1.d S4L2.a ELA4LSV1.a ELA4LSV1.b ELA4LSV1.c	ELA5LSV1.a ELA5LSV1.b ELA5LSV1.c

Its Tough Being a Sea Turtle Pre/Post Quiz

Name: _____

Multiple Choice:

1. What is a predator for an adult sea turtle?
 - A. shark
 - B. fish
 - C. sea bird
 - D. blue crab
2. Which of these is NOT a predator of a hatchling sea turtle?
 - A. ghost crab
 - B. fire ants
 - C. orca whale
 - D. sea birds
3. At what age is a sea turtle considered an adult?
 - A. 18
 - B. 21
 - C. 30
 - D. 45
4. At what life stage can a sea turtle begin to lay eggs?
 - A. hatchling
 - B. juvenile
 - C. sub-adult
 - D. adult

True or False:

- True False Hatchling sea turtles have less predators than juvenile sea turtles.
True False Adult sea turtles have two main predators.
True False Birds can eat sea turtles.

Matching: Draw a line connecting the predator with its prey.

<u>Predator</u>	<u>Prey</u>
Raccoons	Juvenile Sea Turtle
Shark	Hatchling Sea Turtle
Goliath Grouper	Sub-Adult Sea Turtle

Its Tough Being a Sea Turtle Pre/Post Quiz Answers

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