

Undersea Diorama

Outcome

An exciting diorama will be created so you can keep a little of Nerrilee's World in your room.

What you will need

A shoe box
Pictures, drawings or photos of undersea creatures
Playdough in a sandy colour
Paddle pop sticks painted blue
Green crepe paper
Scissors and PVA glue
Acrylic paints in assorted colours and paint brushes
Sand (clean) and some shells
Old newspaper

Here's how to make it!

- o Spread newspaper over your work area to protect it from glue.
- o Cut out the side of the shoe box and sit the box in the lid.
- o Paint the back and sides of the inside of the box with blue paint.
- o Allow to dry and then paint some squiggly seaweed on the blue in different shades of green acrylic paint. Glue some stretched green crepe paper to these for a 3D look.
- o Mix some clean sand with some sandy coloured paint and a little glue. Paint the floor of the box with it and decorate by glueing some little shells on when dry.
- o Cut out and glue onto card your variety of undersea creatures (or draw and colour them in bright colours straight on the card). Cut around the edges so they are now backed with card to make them stiff.
- o Allow to dry and then glue each card creature onto the top of a paddle pop stick.
- o Use a blob of playdough on the other end to allow them to stand up.
- o Play out your favourite bits from Nerrilee's World or make up your own adventures.

Variations

Cut out cardboard circles and paint them like gold coins and make some jeweled broaches by glueing on sparkling sequins. Add your gold bowls and some pretend gems to make your very own pirates treasure.

Little mirrors catch the light and can be used to make ponds if you make this as a farm scene with cows, chickens, pigs, ducks and horses. Don't forget the farmer.