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Elementary Level Reading List

Hey, Water!	Antoinette Portis	Preschool- Grade 2	All about water types/ connections
Over in a River	Marianne Berkes	Preschool- Grade 2	animals found in rivers
The River	Patricia Hegarty/ Hanako Clulow	Preschool- Grade 2	migration of a fish
We Are Water Protectors	Carole Lindstrom	Pre-K- Grade 6	Protection of rivers/ river water
The River	Nik Pollard	Preschool- Grade 2	Sights and sounds of a river
The Blue Canoe	Sheryl McFarlane	Pre-K- K	Canoeing, good for storytimes about becoming a big sibling as well
One Dog Canoe	Mary Casanova	Pre-K-1	Canoeing
Mr. Gumpy's Outing	John Burningham	Pre-K-K	Canoeing
Brown Bear	Suzi Eszterhas	Pre-K - 1	animals who live near rivers; bears fishing
Mel Fell	Corey R. Tabor	Pre-K -1	animals who live near rivers; bird fishing
Turtle-Turtle and the Wide, Wide River	Jane and Will Hillenbrand	Toddler - Pre-K	animals who live in/near rivers
Little Otter Learns to Swim	Artie Knapp and Guy Ho	Pre-K - 1	animals who live in/near rivers

Programming and Crafts:

- Paper Book Reflection Craft
 - Theme: boats

- Ohio River Passport walk from station to station to learn about aspects of the OH river, and answer prompts in a passport booklet. Each station has a cover page that can be lifted up to reveal more information about that stop. Will need: info sheets, passports, blue tape, etc to symbolize the river and make a path for kids to follow. Recommended for school aged students.
 - Themes: river ecosystems, river life
- Aquatic Animals Flip Book
 - Draw your own silly flip book using river creatures. Draw the creatures across all three parts of the page so that you can flip the pages and mix and match the animal body parts! Flip books (two covers with three batches of 5"x2.5" paper strips stapled inside), page of example animals, drawing materials
 - Themes: animals, storytelling, biology
- Fishing for numbers
 - Draw a card, then use magnetic fishing poles to catch enough numbered fish to add up to the number on the card. For younger kids, you can also try catching fish in number order, or racing to catch a fish with a certain number before anyone else does. magnetic fishing poles, magnetic fish with numbers on them, cards with numbers on them

Ages 4-8

 - Themes: river life, aquatic activities, mathematics