

# INTERACTIVE MOVIE: FINDING NEMO

## AGES

Children 8+ years

Teens

Multigenerational

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Most older children and teens are familiar with *Finding Nemo*, but playing along with the movie is a new twist! Everyone gets an interactive script and a bag filled with props and snacks. Before you start the movie, practice the bonus actions as a group warm-up. This is a fun multigenerational program. Be sure to ask for help with cleanup after the screening. Suggested runtime: 120 minutes

## MATERIALS AND PREPARATION

You will need:

- Laptop and AV equipment
- Printed scripts
- One goodie bag per participant
- Finding Nemo (and a screening license)

Each goodie bag should contain:

- One script
- One blank piece of paper
- One pencil
- One mint
- One pack of gushers
- One balloon
- One glow stick
- One tube of bubbles
- One small bag of goldfish crackers
- One mini flashlight keychain

Request that participants sign up before the event so you know how many goodie bags to make.

## ADAPTATIONS:

If you have children or teens with mobility issues, you may want to modify the script to minimize jumping and chair-switching. Remember closed captioning to include deaf patrons. You could also hold up number cards to prompt participants when to join in.

## UNIQUE SPACE AND PERSONNEL NEEDS

To make room for the actions, you will need a space big enough to leave room between the chairs. Alternatively, screen this movie outdoors and ask participants to bring their own chairs and blankets.

## RESOURCES

### Children's Ocean Fiction

#### Early Readers

*The Shark Report (Benny McGee and the Shark #1)* (2020) by Derek Anderson

*Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea* (2016) (or any Narwhal and Jelly book) by Ben Clanton

#### Middle Grade

*The Line Tender* (2019) by Kate Allen

*The Shark Whisperer (Tristan Hunt and the Sea Guardians)* (2014) by Ellen Prager and Antonio Javier Caparo

#### YA

*The Beast of Cretacea* (2015) by Todd Strasser

*Dept.H* (2019) by Matt Kindt and Sharlene Kindt

*The Gracekeepers* (2015) by Kristy Logan

*The Light at the Bottom of the World* (2019) by London Shah

*The Salt to the Sea* (2016) by Ruta Sepetys

### Adult Ocean Nonfiction

*The World Beneath: The Life and Times of Unknown Sea Creatures and Coral Reefs* (2019) by Richard Smith

*The Soul of an Octopus* (2016) by Sy Montgomery

*The Sea Around Us*, 3rd ed. (2018 [1951]) by Rachel Carson

*Far From Land: The Mysterious Lives of Sea Birds* (2018) by Michael Brooke and Bruce Pearson

### TIP:

See also Chapter 03: Marine Biologist Crafts for ocean picture books and early readers.

## PRINTABLE

## FINDING NEMO INTERACTIVE SCRIPT

SCENE	ACTION
1. When you see a big shark in the reef...	1. Run around your chair yelling "Aaahh, shark!"
2. When Marlin tells Nemo to brush his teeth...	2. Eat your mint.
3. When the fish asks Marlin to tell a joke...	3. Tell your neighbor a joke.
4. When they make Pearl squirt...	4. Eat your gushers.
5. When Nemo touches the butt...	5. Poke your neighbor's shoulder and whisper, "He touched my butt."
6. When Marlin swims after the boat that took Nemo...	6. Do jumping jacks until he loses the boat.
7. When Dory crashes into Marlin...	7. Fall down dramatically.
8. When they pass the "balloons"...	8. Blow up your balloon.
9. When Bruce introduces himself...	9. Say, "Hi, Bruce."
10. When Nemo wakes up in the fish tank...	10. Draw a picture of a fish tank.
11. When Deb introduces Flo...	11. Yell "Flooooooo!"
12. When Nemo gets unstuck...	12. Move to a new chair.
13. When they lose the mask...	13. Yell "Nooooooo!"
14. When Dory starts singing "just keep swimming"...	14. Sing along.
15. When Marlin and Dory see the pretty light...	15. Break your glow stick.
16. When Dory reads the mask...	16. Pretend to study your fish tank.
17. When they turn on the "ring of fire"...	17. Blow your bubbles.
18. When the school of fish gives them directions...	18. Draw a map with directions.
19. When Dory gets shocked by the jellyfish...	19. Shake and sizzle like you've been zapped.
20. When Merlin and Dory hop on jellyfish...	20. Jump up and down in front of your chair.



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SCENE	ACTION
21. When Nemo tries to put the pebble in the fan...	21. Blow on your balloon and try to keep it in the air as long as possible.
22. When the baby turtles crowd Merlin...	22. Hug someone in the room.
23. When the birds call "Mine!"...	23. Yell "Mine!" with them.
24. When Gill tells everyone to be dirtier...	24. Throw everything on the floor (then pick it back up).
25. When Dory and Merlin are eaten by the whale...	25. Eat all but one of your goldfish.
26. When the tank turns green...	26. Scribble all over your picture of the fish tank.
27. When Nemo gets in the plastic bag...	27. Gasp.
28. When Darla shakes Nemo...	28. Shake your bag with the single goldfish.
29. When Dory realizes who Nemo is...	29. Gasp as loud as you can.
30. When Nemo, Marlin, and Dory save the fish...	30. High-five your neighbor.
31. When the rest of the fish escape in plastic bags...	31. Pop your balloon and eat your last goldfish.

BONUS! WHENEVER THIS HAPPENS...	DO THIS
1. When Dory forgets what she's doing...	1. Say "Wait, what?" in a confused voice. Light your flashlight above your head when she figures it out.
2. When something chases Dory and Marlin...	2. Run around your chair.
3. When Crush says "Dude"...	3. High-five at least one person.
4. When they mention Darla...	4. Yell, "Oh, no!"
5. When Dory speaks Whale...	5. Speak Whale with her.
6. When someone says "P. Sherman, 42 Wallaby Way, Sydney."	6. Say "P. Sherman, 42 Wallaby Way, Sydney."