

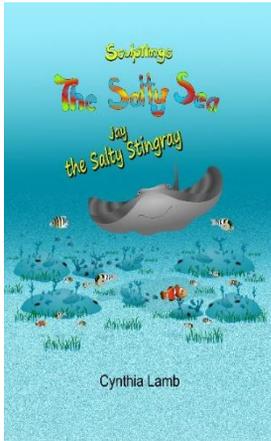
Topic and Discussions with Q & A

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Jay The Salty Stingray

The Sporty Little Penguins Series

An Environmentally Friendly Book On Water Pollution (A Message on Conservation and Pollution For Kids)



Jay the Salty Stingray is an engaging, age-appropriate story that introduces preschoolers to the concepts of environmental conservation and emotional awareness.

Jay is a stingray who lives in the ocean and becomes upset when he sees people polluting his home with trash. Throughout the story, children learn why it's important to keep the ocean clean and how pollution negatively affects marine animals. Jay expresses a range of emotions from sadness to frustration to happiness. This helps children begin to identify and name feelings in themselves and others.

Book Topics

- What pollution is. (trash in the water)
- What causes pollution. (people littering)
- How pollution hurts sea animals.
- How to recognize feelings like happy, sad, and mad.

Ideas for how to review this book with Preschool kids: Engage little learners with simple, interactive questions and activities:

- What was the message of the story?
- Can you retell the story in your own words? (Let the child share what they remember. It helps with comprehension and expression.)
- Go page by page: Ask, "What's happening here?" Describe what the character is feeling.
 - Ask: "How does Jay feel when he sees trash?" (Sad or Mad. He is unhappy.)
 - Ask: "How can we tell when someone is happy or sad?" (By their expressions, or actions.)
- Rhyme Time: Find rhyming words together. "Did you hear any words that sound the same?"

More Ideas for how to use these books with your Kindergarteners to 2nd Graders:

(Open discussions)

- Ask: "Why is it important to keep the ocean clean?"
- Ask: "What might happen if animals find trash in the water?"

The Goal: Help children understand that littering hurts animals & nature, & that even they can help.

- Ask: "How can we help Jay the Stingray?"
- Ask: "Have you ever picked up trash or helped clean something?"
- Ask: "What is trash, and where should we put it?"
- Ask: "What happens when we don't throw trash away?"

Discuss: responsibility, and basic environmental practices like using the trash can or recycling.



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Topic and Discussions about the story Jay the Salty Stingray

These questions can be asked during or after reading to encourage children to think, respond, and connect with Jay's message.

1. How does Jay feel on each page? Is he happy, sad, or mad?

Discussion Answers:

- Sometimes Jay is *mad* when he sees trash.
- He feels *sad* when his sea friends get hurt.
- But he feels *happy* when the ocean is clean!

1. Why does Jay feel so upset sometimes? What makes him mad or sad in the ocean?

- Jay gets upset when people throw trash in the ocean.
- It makes the water dirty and hurts his friends.

2. What is pollution? Is it something good or something yucky?

What does it do to the ocean and the animals?

- Pollution is yucky trash in the water.
- It makes the ocean dirty and can hurt fish and turtles.

3. How can you help Jay feel better? What can you do to make Jay smile?

- You can help by picking up trash and not littering.
- Throw your garbage in the trash can.
- That makes Jay feel super happy!

4. What makes Jay's feelings change in the story? When does he go from sad to happy?

- Jay is sad when the ocean is messy.
- He feels happy when people help clean up!
- Helping the ocean makes his frown turn into a smile.

5. What happens when there's trash in the ocean? What is the problem, and what does it cause?

- Trash in the ocean is a big problem.
- It can hurt sea animals or make them get stuck.
- The ocean gets dirty, and Jay gets mad.

6. What does Jay want us to do about pollution? What does he say we can do to help the ocean?

- Jay wants us to pick up litter,
- Keep the ocean clean, and
- Take care of the Earth—just like he does!



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Questions about the story Jay the Salty Stingray

Listen to each question carefully. Then circle the best answer.

1. Who is the story about?

- A. Jay the Turtle
- B. Jay the Stingray
- C. Jay the Dolphin

2. Why does Jay get grumpy?

- A. Because he's tired
- B. Because people leave trash in the ocean
- C. Because he can't swim fast

3. What does Jay do all day?

- A. He picks up garbage from the ocean floor
- B. He plays with fish
- C. He builds a sandcastle

4. Why does Jay swim really fast sometimes?

- A. He's late for a party
- B. He saw someone litter
- C. He's playing tag

5. How does trash hurt Jay's friends?

- A. They can get tangled in fishing lines
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Questions about the story

Jay the Salty Stingray

6. What does Jay want to protect?

- A. His friends, his home and the ocean
- B. His job
- C. His friends' food

7. Can Jay clean the ocean all by himself?

- A. Yes, he can do it alone
- B. No, he needs our help
- C. No, but he doesn't want help

8. How can you help Jay?

- A. By picking up trash and throwing it away
- B. By throwing more trash in the ocean
- C. By swimming away

9. What makes Jay smile?

- A. A clean ocean with no garbage
- B. Lots of trash in the water
- C. When he's hungry

10. What happens if we leave trash behind?

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- B. It disappears magically
- C. It turns into toy



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Preschool

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- B. How to take care of the ocean and our feelings
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Kindergarten to 1st grade

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