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# Splashing BY THE Shore

Beach Activities for Kids

Why does the ocean have salt in it? Do you know what a tide pool is? Where does sand come from?

In **Splashing by the Shore**, you'll discover how to have fun in and out of the water, and, with tips on **good beach etiquette** and how to be **sun savvy**, you'll be ready to **play games** all day at the lake or on the coastal shore.



Land-lovers will also learn how to **throw a beach party at home** any time of the year and will find tips on low-cost decorations, invitation ideas, games, and party foods and favors.

**So grab your shades, slather on the sunscreen, and let's hit the beach!**

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## WALK THE PLANK

### What you need:

- ◆ At least 3 people, but more is better
- ◆ 2 water guns
- ◆ 2 beach towels that are the same size
- ◆ 12 shells, rocks, or sticks

### To play:

1. Set up the beach towels side-by-side. Spread 6 shells across the length of each towel, evenly spaced.

2. Two players hold the water guns and stand at one end of each towel. They take turns trying to hit the third player with one squirt of water as he or she runs around like a moving target.

3. If Player 1 hits the running target, he stays where he is. If he misses,



he must walk the plank. That means he must pick up the first shell and stand in its place. His turn ends and then it's Player 2's turn.

4. Each time the target is missed, a player must walk the plank by moving forward to the next shell. The winner is the last one standing on the plank.

**What gets wetter as you get dryer?**

**Beach Towel**

## Bucket and Shovel Cake

Here's a cake that's *shore* to be scooped up! Dig in!

### What you need:

- ◆ 1 baked cake (8- or 9-inch-round layers)
- ◆ 1 new bucket and shovel
- ◆ 2 (3-ounce) packages instant vanilla pudding (prepared)
- ◆ 2 cups crushed graham crackers
- ◆ Fish or shell candies



### What you do:

1. Cut the cake into 1-inch pieces.
2. Alternate layers (in bucket) of cake bits with vanilla pudding ending with a layer of pudding.
3. Sprinkle on crushed crackers (it looks like sand) and garnish with the candy and the shovel.



**SERVES 10**

**Which day is the best day  
to go to the beach?**

***SUN*day.**