

Yoshi and the Ocean: A Sea Turtle's Incredible Journey Home

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Synopsis: Yoshi, a loggerhead sea turtle, was injured and rescued by fisherman who took her to the Two Oceans Aquarium in South Africa for rehabilitation. After twenty years, Yoshi was returned to the sea and traveled nearly 23,000 miles over three years back to what is believed to be her birthplace.

Suggested Reading Date: World Sea Turtle Day – June 16, World Aquatic Animal Day – April 3

Activity Descriptions:

- Become a Scientist and complete Sea turtle research (different types) using your library's databases
- Sequence the life cycle of a sea turtle (below)
- Use a map of the world to track where Yoshi and/or sea turtles migrate to and from;
- Use pop bottle caps to show how tiny sea turtle are when they are born.

Related Websites:

- Author's website & resources: <https://www.lindsaykmoore.com/>
- National Geographic - Sea Turtle Facts: <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/animals/sea-life/green-sea-turtle-facts/>
- Sea Turtle Life Cycle: <https://kidspressmagazine.com/science-for-kids/misc/misc/life-cycle-sea-turtles.html>
- Two Oceans Aquarium – Yoshi's last transmission: <https://www.aquarium.co.za/news/yoshi-the-loggerhead-turtle-sends-her-last-transmission-after-40-000km-swim>

Text to Text Connections:

Alfie, The Turtle that Disappeared by Thyra Heder

One Tiny Turtle by Nicola Davies

One Turtle's Last Straw: The Real Life Rescue that Sparked a Sea Change by Elisa Boxer

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