Packing List

Objective:

Students will strengthen their vocabulary as they imagine what they might need during a visit to a coral reef.

Materials:

copies of suitcase below construction paper scissors glue crayons pencils

Action:

1. Ask students to imagine that they're about to take a trip to explore a coral reef. What would they pack in their suitcase? Write their answers on the board. The finished list could include the following:

sunglasses mask fins hat underwater camera snorkel underwater slate (for writing swimsuit notes about what you see) lifevest shirt beach chair ruler (for measuring cooler organisms you discover) drinks sunscreen sandwich first aid kit towel

- 2. Give each student a piece of construction paper and a copy of the suitcase, or a pattern to trace a large suitcase onto the construction paper.
- 3. Have students draw and label pictures inside the suitcase of what they would take on their adventure. If your students are using a copy of the suitcase in this book, have them cut it out and glue it to construction paper.

Deeper Depths:

Collect many or all of the items on the packing list and place in a learning center. Or have students develop a play about visiting a coral reef using the items.

