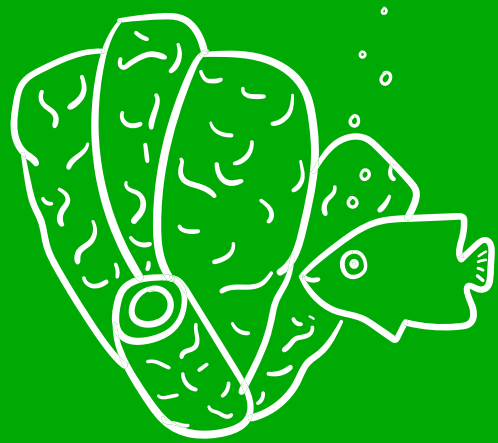


# 6 WAYS YOU CAN USE A SPONGE TO HELP YOUR CHILD TO LEARN

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Explain that sponges were originally made from natural sea sponges then head online together and investigate these unusual creatures.

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Pick five languages with your child then challenge them to a race. The first one to translate the word 'sponge' into each language is the winner. (Tip: Use Google Translate)



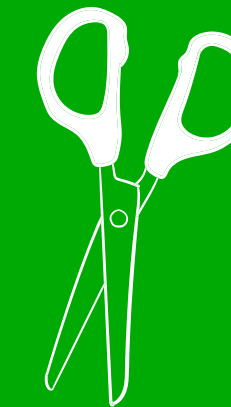
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Weigh a dry sponge then fill it with water and weigh it again. Next, squeeze all the water into a jug and see if the weight of this matches the difference. Repeat with different liquids. (Try milk, a fizzy drink, orange juice and syrup.)

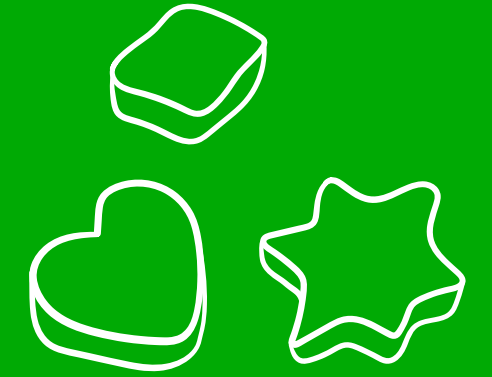
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Use a pair of scissors to cut a sponge into pieces. Together, examine the structure of the sponge. Draw the structure and discuss how it might help the sponge to retain water.



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Cut shapes out of sponges. Use these with some paint to create different designs. Try creating wallpaper, wrapping paper and birthday cards.



5

Buy a few dozen cheap kitchen sponges. Use these to create a sculpture with your child. Either come up with your own or look on Google Images for inspiration.

