**FRESHWATER FISH**

**THIS WEEK:**
- Touch rubber fish. Discover what fish feel like.
- Dress up like a fish.
- Create art with fish puzzle pieces.
- Make a fishy face.
- Construct a fish habitat out of blocks.
- Storytime: *Trout, Trout, Trout: A Fish Chant* by April Pulley Sayre

**LEARN TOGETHER!**

**ASK:** You live on land. Where do fish live?

**Ask:** What materials do birds use to build their nests?

**TRY:** What do fish feel like? Touch the rubber fish in the water.

**EXPLORE:** Walk around the Aquarium. Can you find a big fish? Can you find a little fish?

**EXPLORE:** Visit the Unsalted Seas touch pool. What do sturgeon feel like?

---

**Freshwater Fish live in Minnesota**

They can live in lakes, ponds, rivers and streams.

- **Lake trout** live in Lake Superior. Visit the giant Isle Royale Habitat. Can you find a fish with greenish-white polka dots. Those are lake trout! Do you notice any other fish in this habitat?

- **Catfish** usually live near the bottom of water. They use their whiskers to feel and taste. What body parts do you use to feel and taste?

- **Black crappies** have lots of black dots on them and a pan-shaped body. Can you see any black crappie’s in the Isle Royale habitat near the water?

---

**NEXT WEEK**

**Saltwater Fish**

Discover the world of saltwater fish. Explore the colors, patterns and animals of the seas.

---

Learn and play with us! **ASK** questions. **TRY** new activities. **EXPLORE** exhibits together.
SING

Fishy Pokey

(Use a stuffed fish to illustrate the fishy body parts)

You put your right fin in,
You take your right fin out,
You put your right fin in and you shake it all about.
You do the fishy pokey and you swim yourself around.
That’s what it’s all about.

Repeat with:
- Left fin
- Dorsal fin
- Tail fin
- Head
- Whole Fish

PLAY

- Bring some toy fish into the bath tub to create lake filled with fish. What adventures will your fish have?
- Pretend you are a fish. How will you move like a fish?

BRING THE LEARNING HOME

OBSERVE

- Visit Lake Superior or another body of water. Imagine what the fish are doing under the water or ice.
- Use a fish ID app or guide to help identity Aquarium fish. Choose a live fish to name and then find its match in the guide book.

READ

Trout are Made of Trees by April Pulley Sayre
One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish by Dr. Suess
Fishy, Fishy by Roger Priddy

Learn and play with us! ASK questions. TRY new activities. EXPLORE exhibits together.