

Alligators and Crocodiles

Parents' Activity Sheet

Fingerplay/Flannelboard Five Hungry Crocodiles

Five hungry crocodiles each made a wish Five hungry crocodiles wished for a fish.

Along came a purple fish. Snap! went a crocodile. Mmm-Mmm! That left

Four hungry crocodiles each made a wish. Four hungry crocodiles wished for a fish.

Along came a red fish. Snap! went a crocodile. Mmm-Mmm! That left

Three hungry crocodiles each made a wish.

Four hungry crocodiles wished for a fish.

Along came a blue fish Snap! went a crocodile. Mmm-mmm! That left

Two hungry crocodiles each made a wish. Two hungry crocodiles wished for a fish.

Along came a yellow fish. Snap! went a crocodile. Mmm-Mmm! That left

One hungry crocodile made a wish. One hungry crocodile wished for a fish.

Along came a green fish. Snap! Went the crocodile. Mmm-Mmm! And that left None.

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Play With Your Food



Crocodiles and alligators snap. Find foods that make a snapping sound when you eat them. For awhile, when your child wants a snack, ask him/her to plan a snack that snaps. This is a thinking activity and a chance to use imagination. Some possible snappy snacks are: potato chips, carrots, popcorn, crackers, cereal. Your child may become very inventive as she tries to convince you her favorite snack snaps!

Family Read Aloud Time

Check out some of these alligator and crocodile books at the public library:

An Alligator Lives in Benjamin's House by Nancy Van Caster **E**

The Monkey and the Crocodile by Paul Galdone E
The Crocodile and the Dentist by Taro Gomi E
Crocodile's Masterpiece by Max Velthuijs E
When Crocodiles Clean Up by Roni Schotter E
A Crocodile's Tale by Jose Aruego E
Elephant Pie by Hilda Offen E
Zack's Alligator Goes to School

by Shirley Mozelle E

The Enormous Crocodile by Roald Dahl E

All About Alligators by Jim Arnosky J597.98

Craft: Make an alligator with a spring clothespin. Let your child color the clothespin green with a crayon or marker. Add two small wiggly eyes, or draw them with a black marker. This alligator can be worn snapped on a shirt collar or pocket.