

Fish with the Swishy Swishy Tail

A story for shadow puppets or stick puppets

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When you say “Bah Bah Bah Boom” drop your voice low on the Boom part to sound ominous and dangerous.

Ask the Children to join you in saying “Big Blue Whale” after the “Bah Bah Bah Boom”

Once there was a fish with a swishy swishy tail. (pause, swish tail) Fish liked to play games in the ocean with his friends the school of teeny tiny Krill. (add Krill) You probably already know that a school is a large group of sea creatures that swim together. But, did you know that Krill are the favorite food of the (Bah Bah Bah Boom) Big Blue Whale. (Krill shake)

Fish with the swishy swishy tail and the teeny tiny Krill played, swimming in circles (pause, circle fish then Krill) and bouncing bubbles. (Pause, bounce bubbles between fish and Krill) But, they always remembered to watch for the (Bah Bah Bah Boom) Big Blue Whale.

One day when Fish with the swishy swishy tail (pause to swish tail) and the teeny tiny Krill were bouncing bubbles (pause, bounce bubbles once) a large dark shadow passed overhead. (pause, whale swims over, attach to top of screen) Fish said, “It must be the (Bah Bah Bah Boom) Big Blue Whale.”

The teeny tiny Krill shouted anxiously, “What will we do, where will we hide?” (pause, Krill swim behind fish)

“I have an idea” said Fish and Fish began to swish his swishy swishy tail. (start swishing tail)

Fish swished and swished his swishy swishy tail. (continue swishing tail) The water whirled and swirled and quickly scattered the school of teeny tiny Krill in every direction (pause, move single Krill from Krill school away and off screen, repeat several times, remove school of Krill) until not even one could be seen.

The (Bah Bah Bah Boom) Big Blue Whale didn’t find any schools of teeny tiny Krill to eat. So, the (Bah Bah Bah Boom) Big Blue Whale tuned and swam away. (pause, whale moves off screen, return Krill in front of fish)

Fish with the swishy swishy tail (pause, swish tail) once again played with the teeny tiny Krill swimming in circles (pause, circle fish then Krill) and bouncing bubbles. (Pause, bounce bubbles between fish and Krill)

The End