

# Lake Monsters... old and slightly less old!



## Lesson Overview

Students will create a Lake Monster out of recycling they have at home.

**Step One** – The Legends

**Step Two** – Imagine your own Sea Serpent

**Step Three** – Drawing to 3D Sculpture

**Step Four** – Share your Art

## Notes for Parents/Teachers

- This Lesson is based of David Sobel's Seven Principles for Early Childhood and Nature Education.
- **Reference:** Sobel, D. (2008). Childhood and nature: Design principles for educators. Stenhouse Publishers.

### Age Group:

- 4 – 10 years old

### Total Time Needed:

- Approximately 1 Hour

### Materials Needed

- Paper, Pencil, Colored Pencils, Crayons, Recycling, Scissors, and glue or tape.



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### Step 1: The Legends

- Water Monsters are all over the world, the Loch Ness monster also known as Nessie, lives in Loch Ness in Inverness Scotland. Here in McCall Idaho there have been reported partial sightings of Sharlie, the Lake Monster that lives in Payette Lake. We need your help figuring out what Sharlie looks like! All we know is that she has Scaly fins on her back...
- There are legends of lake monsters all around the world. Here in McCall Idaho we have Sharlie of Payette Lake. If you're from the area, read *Discovering Sharlie: Case of the Missing Sea Serpent* by Craig Vroom. What is the lake monster near you or one you have heard of? Is there a book about this creature? Read it!



### Step 2: Imagine your own Sea Serpent

- Using your imagination, what do you think Sharlie or your water monster looks like?
- Draw your Sharlie or local water monster!



### Step 3: Drawing to 3D Sculpture

- Now go through your family's recycling bins! Using different pieces of recycling create a 3D version of your drawing!

### Step 4: Share you Art!

- Share your drawing, 3D sculpture, and the story of your lake monster with your friends and/or relatives.



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