

## **Starfish Story Project**



**Description:** Read the Starfish Story and then create your own. Explore how you can make a difference through your actions.

**Time to complete:** 15-30 minutes

**Supplies Level:** Light

**Tags:** Pre-K – 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, Kindness, Being Socially Responsible, Protecting Our Planet, Curious

*Kids that have a desire and sense of responsibility to care for others, animals, and the planet can change the world. All it takes is acts of kindness and compassion – no matter how small or big.*

### ***Steps to Complete***

**Step 1:** Read the Starfish story on page two and be curious about what you can do that is like the boy in the story. Talk about the kind acts you can do to help someone else, animals, and/ or the planet.

**Step 2:** Take your idea of how you can help and write your own story using the page attached.

**Step 3:** Go make your story come true! If you said you can help the oceans by picking up trash, go pick up trash. If you wrote about helping kids feel included, ask a new student to play with you each day this week.

**Step 4:** Share your story with Inside Out Club. We'd love to hear how you plan to make a difference. Post your story to our Facebook ([www.Facebook.com/insideoutclub](http://www.Facebook.com/insideoutclub)).



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# The Starfish Story

Original Story by: Loren Easley

One day a man was walking along the beach, when he noticed a boy hurriedly picking up and gently throwing things into the ocean.

Approaching the boy, he asked, "Young man, what are you doing?"

The boy replied, "Throwing starfish back into the ocean. The surf is up and the tide is going out. If I don't throw them back, they'll die."

The man laughed to himself and said, "Don't you realize there are miles and miles of beach and hundreds of starfish? You can't make any difference!"

After listening politely, the boy bent down, picked up another starfish, and threw it into the surf. Then, smiling at the man, he said,

"I made a difference to that one."





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