

The Starfish story is a lovely story to read to children. It is about making a difference. It can be the smallest thing but it can make a difference.

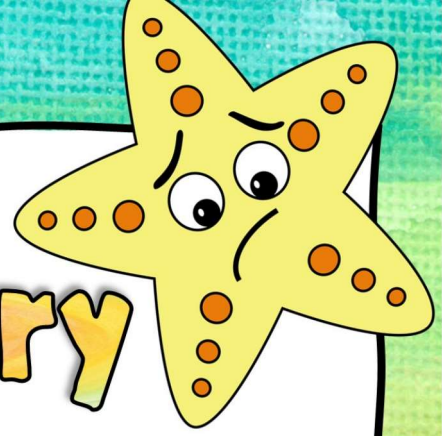
Encourage children to be kind and helpful and make a difference.

They can draw a starfish each time they have done something kind or helpful. Can they fill up the grid with starfish?

There is also a starfish to colour when they have filled in their grid.



Starfish Story



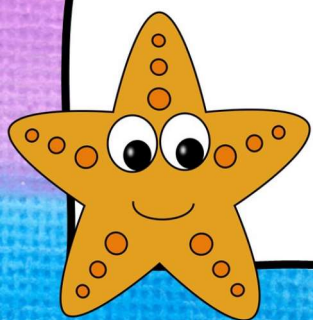
A man was walking along a deserted beach at sunset. As he walked, he could see a young boy in the distance. As he drew nearer, he noticed that the boy kept bending down, picking something up and throwing it into the water. Time and again he kept hurling things into the ocean.

As the man approached even closer, he was able to see that the beach was covered with starfish that had been washed up by the tide. The boy was picking them up one at a time and was throwing them back into the water. The man asked the boy what he was doing.

The boy replied, "I am throwing these washed-up starfish back into the ocean, or else they will die through lack of oxygen. "But", said the man, "You can't possibly save them all, there are thousands on this beach, and this must be happening on hundreds of beaches along the coast. You can't possibly make a difference."

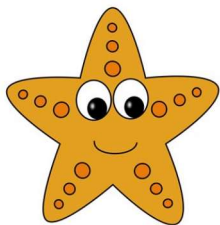
The boy looked down. He frowned for a moment, then bent down to pick up another starfish, smiling as he threw it back into the sea. He replied, "I made a huge difference to that one!"

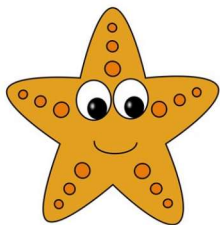
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I made a difference

Every time you make a difference by acting kindly or helping others draw a starfish in a box. Can you fill it up?



I MADE A DIFFERENCE

