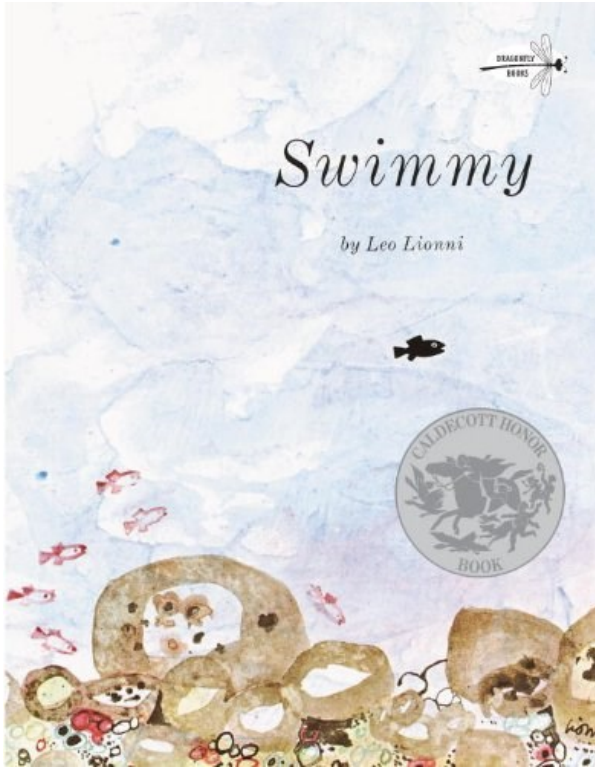


OPL presents

I ♥ Art: Leo Lionni

Leo Lionni (1910-1999) was a Dutch artist. He published his first picture book for children in 1959. Today's art is inspired by his book, *Swimmy*.



Supplies:

Paper, paint, paintbrushes, kitchen sponge, cotton balls, cotton swabs, waxed paper, aluminum foil.

Note:

You can use any supplies you have at home as stamps: a paper towel, a rag, or a crumpled piece of paper; a cut up potato or apple; or toys such as Legos.

Instructions:

1. To make the background, use a sponge or any other material you have on hand. Dip it into the paint (in the example, the background uses light blue paint), and dab the sponge onto the paper, covering the whole thing.
2. When the background is dry, use cotton balls or cotton swabs to make rocks, plants, and other underwater scenery. Paint fish or anything else you would like in your underwater scene.
3. If you have a fish-shaped stamp, you can use that to make the fish. If not, you can paint them with a paintbrush or cotton swab.