

This little booklet consists of descriptions of a number of nature games and rules for playing them. In some cases these are given in much detail. The table of contents, which presents a good idea of the type and scope of the games, is as follows: Fetchit, Nature Nuts, Games Using Nature Characters, Treasure Hunts, Password, Games of Recognition, Games of Naming, True and False Commands, Cycles of Nature. Many of the games are illustrated by photographs or drawings. There is a short list of references.

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This is a *fiddler crab*. One claw is much larger than the other and looks like a violin, or "fiddle". The crab waves its large claw in the air as it walks.



Plant eelgrass, arrowhead, and other rooted plants so the *crown* is just above the sand. The crown is the place where the roots begin. Anchor the plants in place with small pebbles.

SLIDEFILMS IN COLOR

A long-awaited series of discussion-type slidefilms for teaching under water life and for study has been added to its "Science Adventures" series by The Jam Handy Organization.

This series of films is titled *Water Life* and comprises seven slidefilms all in natural color and with labels, letterings and explanatory text for the guidance of instructors and for the benefit of the study group in schools or elsewhere.

While primarily designed to be used for

science classes, grades 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, oral reading classes, grades 4, 5 and 6, biology classes, grades in junior and senior high schools, these films also lend themselves to showings before interested groups in outdoor subjects, the fishing fraternity and other small group studies.

The seven color films are organized into 24 topics as follows: 1. Life in Ponds, Lakes and Streams; 2. Small Fresh-water Animals and Insects; 3. Fresh-water Shellfish and Amphibians; 4. Fresh-water Turtles and Fish; 5. Keeping an Aquarium; 6. Plants and Strange Animals of the Sea; 7. Shellfish of the Seashore.

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