REELING

in

READING

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The purpose of Reeling in Reading is to engage low performing students in reading informational text by combining a high interest magazine, Florida Sportsman, with the lure of sport fishing. In this afterschool club that meets biweekly, students develop valuable comprehension reading skills that prepare them for the FCAT as well as prepare them to participate in fishing as a recreational or competitive sport. In the process, students learn about the local marine and aquatic issues facing the environment and what they can do to be good stewards. Through this club, students will be exposed to the sport of angling and learn it is an important recreational, economic and social activity that will only survive with sound sporting and conservation practices. Club meetings include the following:

*reading and discussing articles form the Florida Sportsman

*reading Zane Grey's Outdoorsman: Hunting and Fishing Tales

* fieldtrip to IGFA Fishing Hall of Fame & Museum

* participating in a lab at the IGFA

* hands on rod repair

* discussion of marine conservation efforts on behalf of big fish --the effects of overfishing and wasteful commercial fishing practices.

*anglers as guest speakers on fishing techniques and practicing responsible angling with catch and release angling and use of circle hooks

*videos on fishing techniques

* student presentations on game fish

*practice casting

* speaker from the Marine Patrol on boat safety and rules

*information on fishing tournaments

RESOURCE LIST

Field Trip to the International Game Fish Assn. Museum & Fishing Hall of Fame.
www.igfa.org

Miami Yamaha Contender Billfish Tournament
--for event information: www.miamibillfish.com

www.goboating.org

Marine Resources: New England Aquarium
www.neaq.org

The Billfish Foundation
www.billfishfoundation.org

A Field Trip into the Sea software, Sunburst Communications
Pleasantville, NY

Florida Sportsman magazine

Outdoor Hunting and Fishing Tales, Zane Grey

Florida Oceanographic Online
www.floridaoceanographic.org

National Coalition for Marine Conservation
www.savethefish.org

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