

SAMPLE BLOCK AND LESSON PLANS

Parent and Child Aquatics Level 2

Important Note: These block and lesson plans are samples only and are in no way intended to serve as a recommended way to deliver the lessons. Develop block plans and lesson plans to meet your specific needs.

Instructor Resources: Swimming and Water Safety, Water Safety Instructor's Manual, Teaching Swimming and Water Safety DVD, Longfellow's WHALE Tales K–6 Educational Packet, Instructor's Corner

SAMPLE BLOCK PLAN



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Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
Safety Topic	Safety Topic	Safety Topic	Safety Topic
Safety at the beach and at the waterpark	 How to call for help and the importance of knowing first aid and CPR 	 Reaching assists 	 Basic water safety rules review
Review Skills	Review Skills	Review Skills	Review Skills
	 Water adjustment Kicking Splash water Sprinkle water from can Enter and exit the water lifting in In-water exploration— hip straddle or shoulder support Water adjustment—hip straddle Front float—shoulder support Front glide—shoulder support Alternating or simultaneous leg action on front 	 Enter and exit the water Seated position Seated position—rolling over and sliding in Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged Back float—cuddle Back glide—cuddle Alternating or simultaneous leg action on back 	 Enter and exit the water Using a ladder or steps Stepping or jumping in Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged Submerge fully—if the child is ready Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged Alternating or simultaneous leg action on front
New Skills	New Skills	New Skills	New Skills
 Water adjustment Kicking sitting on the side of the pool Splash water Sprinkle water from can Enter and exit the water lifting in—shoulder support In-water exploration— hip straddle or shoulder support Water adjustment—hip straddle Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged Front float—shoulder support Front glide—shoulder support Alternating or simultaneous leg action on front 	 Enter and exit the water Seated position Seated position—rolling over and sliding in Back float—hip support on back Back glide—cuddle Alternating or simultaneous leg action on back 	 Enter and exit the water Using a ladder or steps Stepping or jumping in Submerge fully (if the child is ready) Explore the pool 	 Alternating or simultaneous arm action on front—arm stroke and shoulder support on side Combined arm and leg actions on front
Games/Songs	Games/Songs	Games/Songs	Games/Songs
Children in the Pool"Wheels on the Bus"	SubmarineCowboys-Cowgirls	 Frog in the Sea, You Can't Catch Me Water Fountain 	Kickboard RelayLoud and Quiet Kicking
Equipment	Equipment	Equipment	Equipment
 Water toys Foam noodles Swim bar floats Parent and Child Aquatics Level 2 newsletters 	Water toysFoam noodlesSwim bar floats	 Extension pole, towels, foam noodles Water toys Swim bar floats 	Water toysFoam noodlesSwim bar floats

SAMPLE BLOCK PLAN (Continued)

Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8
Safety Topic • Recreational water illnesses (RWIs)	Safety TopicWearing a life jacket in the water	Safety Topic Sun safety 	 Safety Topic Water toys and their limitations
 Review Skills Alternating or simultaneous arm action on front—arm stroke and shoulder support on side Combined arm and leg actions on front 	 Review Skills Drafting with breathing— shoulder support Front glide to the wall— side-to-side support Passing—side-to-side support Alternating or simultaneous arm action on back—back support Combined arm and leg actions on back 	 Review Skills Enter and exit the water Using a ladder or steps Stepping or jumping in Roll from front to back Roll from back to front Back float—cuddle position 	 Review Skills Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged Underwater exploration Drafting with breathing— shoulder support Front glide to the wall—side- to-side support Passing—side-to-side support Combined arm and leg actions on front with breathing Alternating or simultaneous arm action on back—back support Combined arm and leg actions on back
 New Skills Drafting with breathing— shoulder support Front glide to the wall—side- to-side support Passing—side-to-side support Alternating or simultaneous arm action on back—back support Combined arm and leg actions on back 	New Skills Roll from front to back Roll from back to front 	 New Skills Underwater exploration— open eyes and retrieve objects below the surface and submerged Bobs Combined arm and leg actions on front with breathing Combined arm and leg actions on back 	New Skills • No new skills
Games/Songs Hoop Jumping Rocket Ship 	Games/Songs Water Push Ball Around the Lighthouse 	Games/Songs Water Fountain "I'm a Little Pancake" 	Games/Songs Eggs for Breakfast Red Light, Green Light
EquipmentWater toysFoam noodlesSwim bar floats	Equipment • Water toys • Foam noodles • Swim bar floats • Life jackets	EquipmentWater toysFoam noodlesSwim bar floats	Equipment • Water toys • Foam noodles • Swim bar floats • Completion cards • Rewards for participants

SAMPLE LESSON PLANS



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Instructor:	Wilbert E. Longfellow	Session Begin Date:	June 15
Location:	Municipal Family Aquatic Center	Session End Date:	June 30
Total Number of Classes:	8	Length of Classes:	30 minutes

 Equipment Water toys Foam noodles Swim bar floats Parent and Child Aquat 	tics Level 2 newsletters		o parents. ild Aquatics and Preschool es, Songs and Rhymes" on
Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Housekeeping			
5 minutes	 Greeting and welcome Attendance Parent orientation Explain getting your child ready for the skill 		Circle, seated on deck
Safety Topic			
5 minutes	Safety at the beach and at the waterpark	 "Stay close" 	Circle, seated on deck
New Skills			
3 minutes	 Water adjustment Kicking (flutter and breaststroke) sitting on the side of the pool Splash water Sprinkle water from can 	 "Loose and floppy ankles and knees" "Start slow and faster and faster" 	Line, sitting on deck
2 minutes	 Enter and exit the water lifting in Parents roll over and slide in and lift child in using the shoulder support 	 "Keep one hand on your child" 	Stagger
1 minute	 In-water exploration— hip straddle or shoulder support 	 "Just like on land for the hip straddle" "Watch for drinking or lapping of water with the shoulder support" 	

Day 1 (Continued)

Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
New Skills (continued)			
2 minutes	 Water adjustment— hip straddle 	• "Up and down"	Circle
2 minutes	 Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged 	 "Blow on my finger" 	Line, stagger
2 minutes	 Front float—shoulder support 	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Move back just enough for the legs to float up" 	Circle or line
2 minutes	 Front glide—shoulder support 	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Blow bubbles" 	Line, stagger
2 minutes	 Leg action on front—alternating or simultaneous movements 	 "Kick, kick, kick" 	Line, stagger
Games/Songs			
2 minutes	 "Children in the Pool" "Wheels on the Bus"	 "Let them feel the action of the water" 	
Closing			
2 minutes	 Thank participants for their attention and participation Offer positive reinforcement of what they did well Review lesson Announcements for next lesson 	 "You did so well today" 	• Circle

Equipment Water toys Foam noodles Swim bar floats 		 Reminders Review "Parent and Child Aquatics and Preschool Aquatics Images, Games, Songs and Rhymes" on Instructor's Corner. 	
Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Housekeeping			
2 minutes	Attendance		
Safety Topic			
2 minutes	 How to call for help and the importance of knowing first aid and CPR 	 "You'll find a first aid/CPR class at" 	Circle, on deck
Opening Activity/Review	Skills		
1 minute	 Water adjustment Kicking sitting on the side of the pool Splash water Sprinkle water from can 	 "Loose and floppy ankles and knees" "Start slow and faster and faster" 	• Line, sitting on deck
2 minutes	 Enter and exit the water lifting in 		Stagger
1 minute	 In-water exploration— hip straddle or shoulder support 	• "Up and down"	
2 minutes	 Water adjustment— hip straddle 	"Everybody gets wet"	Circle
2 minutes	 Front float—shoulder support 	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Move back just enough for the legs to float up" 	Circle or line
2 minutes	 Front glide—shoulder support 	 "Keep your shoulders low" 	Line, stagger
2 minutes	 Leg action on front—alternating or simultaneous movements 	• "Kick, kick, kick"	Line, stagger
New Skills			
1 minute	 Enter and exit the water Seated position Seated position—rolling over and sliding in 	 "When mom or dad says, roll over and slide in" 	Stagger

Day 2 (Continued)

Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
New Skills (continued)			
3 minutes	 Back float—hip support on back 	• "Look up at the stars"	Circle or line
3 minutes	Back glide—cuddle	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Rest your child's head on your shoulder" 	Line, stagger
3 minutes	Leg action on back—alternating or simultaneous movements	 "Kick, kick, kick" 	Line, stagger
Games/Songs			
2 minutes	SubmarineCowboys–Cowgirls	• "Yee-haw"	
Closing			
2 minutes	 Thank participants for their attention and participation Offer positive reinforcement of what they did well Review lesson Announcements for next lesson 	 "Remember to teach your child to only enter the water with an adult and say, 'Here I come'" 	• Circle

 Equipment Extension pole, towels, foam noodles Water toys Swim bar floats 		 Reminders Review "Parent and Child Aquatics and Preschool Aquatics Images, Games, Songs and Rhymes" on Instructor's Corner. 	
Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Housekeeping			
2 minutes	Attendance		
Safety Topic			
4 minutes	Reaching assists	"Stay low"	Circle
Opening Activity/Review	/ Skills		
2 minutes	 Enter and exit the water Seated position Seated position— rolling over and sliding in 	• "Roll and slide"	Stagger
1 minute	 Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged 	• "Be a motorboat"	• Line, stagger
3 minutes	Back float—cuddle	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Rest your child's head on your shoulder" 	Circle or line
4 minutes	Back glide—cuddle	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Rest your child's head on your shoulder" 	Line, stagger
3 minutes	 Leg action on back—alternating or simultaneous movements 	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Rest your child's head on your shoulder" 	Line, stagger
New Skills			
2 minutes	 Enter and exit the water Using a ladder or steps Stepping or jumping in 	 "Hold onto your child when climbing" "Only jump in when mommy or daddy is looking at you and says it is okay" 	Stagger
3 minutes	• Submerge fully— parent cues the child and dips down to the mouth and nose, then dips fully if the child is ready	 "Ready? 1, 2, 3, get wet!" 	• Stagger
2 minutes	Explore the pool		Stagger

Day 3 (Continued)

Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Games/Songs			
2 minutes	 Frog in the Sea, You Can't Catch Me Water Fountain 	 "Ribbit" 	
Closing			
2 minutes	 Thank participants for their attention and participation Offer positive reinforcement of what they did well Review lesson Announcements for next lesson 	 "Remember, reach and stay low" 	• Circle

Equipment Water toys Foam noodles Swim bar floats 		 Reminders Review "Parent and Child Aquatics and Preschool Aquatics Images, Games, Songs and Rhymes" on Instructor's Corner. 	
Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Housekeeping			
2 minutes	Attendance		Circle
Safety Topic			
4 minutes	Basic water safety rules review	 "Check the rules on the signs" 	Circle
Opening Activity/Review	Skills		
2 minutes	 Enter and exit the water Using a ladder or steps Stepping or jumping in 	 "Mommy (Daddy), here I come" 	Stagger
1 minute	 Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged 	 "Be a motorboat" 	Line, stagger
3 minutes	 Submerge fully Parent cues the child and dips down to the mouth and nose, then dips fully if the child is ready 	 "Ready? 1, 2, 3, go under" 	• Stagger
2 minutes	 Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged 	 "Blow on my finger" 	Line, stagger
2 minutes	Leg action on front—alternating or simultaneous movements	 "Kick, kick, kick" 	Line, stagger
New Skills			
2 minutes	 Arm action on front Alternating or simultaneous movements Parent in arm stroke position 	 "Reach and pull that water" 	• Line

Day 4 (Continued)

Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization		
New Skills (continued)	New Skills (continued)				
4 minutes	 Arm action on front Alternating or simultaneous movements Parent in shoulder support—side to side 	 "Reach and pull that water" 	• Wave		
4 minutes	Combined arm and leg actions on front	 "Reach and pull that water and kick" 			
Games/Songs					
2 minutes	 Kickboard Races Loud and Quiet Kicking 	 "Big kicking" "Little kicking"			
Closing	-	-			
2 minutes	 Thank participants for their attention and participation Offer positive reinforcement of what they did well Review lesson Announcements for next lesson 	 "Remember to read the pool rule signs on your way out" 	• Circle		

Equipment Water toys Foam noodles Swim bar floats 		 Reminders Review "Parent and Child Aquatics and Preschool Aquatics Images, Games, Songs and Rhymes" on Instructor's Corner. 	
Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Housekeeping			
2 minutes	Attendance		Circle
Safety Topic			
2 minutes	Recreational water illnesses (RWIs)	 "Diaper changing" "Cleaning up after the potty" "No swimming with diarrhea" "No swimming when you don't feel well" 	Circle, seated on deck
Opening Activity/Review	w Skills		
2 minutes	Alternating or simultaneous arm action on front—arm stroke	 "Reach and pull that water" 	• Line
4 minutes	Alternating or simultaneous arm action on front— shoulder support on side	 "Reach and pull that water" 	• Wave
4 minutes	Combined arm and leg actions on front	"Reach and pull that water and kick"	
New Skills			
3 minutes	Drafting with breathing—shoulder support	"Walk backward and create a water flow"	Stagger or wave
3 minutes	• Front glide to the wall—side-to-side support	• "Hold that wall"	Stagger or wave
2 minutes	Passing—side-to-side support	 "Don't bump their head or mouth. Don't push hard into the wall" 	Line, stagger
2 minutes	Alternating or simultaneous arm action on back—back support	 "Keep your shoulders low" 	Line, stagger
2 minutes	Combined arm and leg actions on back	 "Keep your shoulders low" 	

Day 5 (Continued)

Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization		
Games/Songs					
2 minutes	Hoop JumpingRocket Ship	"Grab that wall"			
Closing	Closing				
2 minutes	 Thank participants for their attention and participation Offer positive reinforcement of what they did well Review lesson Announcements for next lesson 	 "Effort" "Good job" "Safe" 	• Circle		

Equipment Water toys Foam noodles Swim bar floats Life jackets 		 Reminders Review "Parent and Child Aquatics and Preschool Aquatics Images, Games, Songs and Rhymes" on Instructor's Corner. 	
Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Housekeeping		1	1
2 minutes	Attendance		Circle
Safety Topic		1	1
5 minutes	Wearing a life jacket in the water	 "What type?" "What size?" "When?" "Where?"	Line, stagger
Opening Activity/Review	w Skills		
3 minutes	Drafting with breathing—shoulder support	 "Ready? 1, 2, 3, go" 	Stagger or wave
3 minutes	Front glide to the wall—side-to-side support	 "Get that wall" 	Stagger or wave
2 minutes	Passing—side-to-side support	• "Ready? 1, 2, 3, go"	Line, stagger
2 minutes	Alternating or simultaneous arm action on back—back support	 "Keep your shoulders low" 	 Line, stagger
3 minutes	Combined arm and leg actions on back	 "Keep your shoulders low" 	
New Skills			
3 minutes	Roll from front to back	 "Blow the bubbles and roll over" 	Line, stagger
3 minutes	Roll from back to front	 "Take a breath and roll over" 	Line, stagger
Games/Songs			
2 minutes	Water Push BallAround the Lighthouse		
Closing			
2 minutes	 Thank participants for their attention and participation Offer positive reinforcement of what they did well Review lesson Announcements for next lesson 	 "Check out the life jackets for your child" 	• Circle

 Equipment Water toys Foam noodles Swim bar floats 		 Reminders Prepare completion cards to the extent possible. Review "Parent and Child Aquatics and Preschool Aquatics Images, Games, Songs and Rhymes" on Instructor's Corner. 	
Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Housekeeping			
2 minutes	Attendance		
Safety Topic			
2 minutes	Sun safety	 "Apply early" "Apply often"	Circle, seated on deck
Opening Activity/Review	Skills		
2 minutes	 Enter and exit the water Using a ladder or steps Stepping or jumping in 		• Stagger
2 minutes	Roll from front to back	 "Blow the bubbles and roll over" 	 Line, stagger
2 minutes	Roll from back to front	 "Take a breath and roll over" 	Line, stagger
2 minutes	Back float—cuddle	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Rest your child's head on your shoulder" 	Circle or line
New Skills			
4 minutes	 Underwater exploration— Open eyes and retrieve an object below the surface Open eyes and retrieve a submerged object 	 "Look at the toy, eyes down, pick it up" 	Circle
2 minutes	• Bobs		Line at wall
4 minutes	 Combined arm and leg actions on front with breathing 	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Reach and pull that water and kick" 	• Line
4 minutes	Combined arm and leg actions on back	 "Keep your shoulders low" 	

Day 7 (Continued)

Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization		
Games/Songs					
2 minutes	Water Fountain"I'm a Little Pancake"	"Roll over"			
Closing	Closing				
2 minutes	 Thank participants for their attention and participation Offer positive reinforcement of what they did well Review lesson Announcements for next lesson 	 "Remember to apply sunscreen before coming to the pool" 	Circle		

Equipment • Water toys • Foam noodles • Swim bar floats • Completion cards • Rewards for participan	ts	end of the lesson.Review "Parent and Ch	cards for presentation at the nild Aquatics and Preschool es, Songs and Rhymes" on
Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Housekeeping		1	
2 minutes	Attendance		
Safety Topic			
2 minutes	Water toys and their limitations	 "Always stay within arms reach" 	Circle, seated on deck
Opening Activity/Review	v Skills		
1 minute	Blow bubbles—with mouth and nose submerged	• "Be a motorboat"	Line, stagger
3 minutes	Underwater exploration	 "What color are the fish?" 	Circle
3 minutes	Drafting with breathing—shoulder support	• "Ready? 1, 2, 3, go"	Stagger or wave
3 minutes	Front glide to the wall—side-to-side support	 "Careful, don't let them bump their heads" 	Stagger or wave
2 minutes	Passing—side-to-side support	• "Ready? 1, 2, 3, go"	Line, stagger
3 minutes	Combined arm and leg actions on front with breathing	 "Keep your shoulders low" "Reach and pull that water and kick" 	• Line
2 minutes	Alternating or simultaneous arm action on back—back support	 "Keep your shoulders low" 	Line, stagger
3 minutes	Combined arm and leg actions on back	 "Keep your shoulders low" 	
New Skills			
	No new skills		
Games/Songs			
2 minutes	Eggs for BreakfastRed Light, Green Light	• "Start; stop"	

Day 8 (Continued)

Time	Activity	Key Words/Phrases	Class Organization
Closing			
4 minutes	 Congratulate participants their on success and progress Inform participants about what to enroll in for the next session 	 "Let's keep building on their skills and stay safe in, on and around the water" 	Circle