



Kidtastics' Tumbelina Present This Month's Shining Star: Johana Rosenthal

My Name is Johana and I am four years old. When Ms. Laurie first arrived at my grandparent's house to teach me to swim I was excited to meet her. I never had swim lessons before, but grandma and grandpa's pool was really big and I wanted to jump right in. However, I realized that going underwater was scary for me. Ms. Laurie's patience and play time in the pool made me quickly feel at ease in the water. I love pouring water



over Ms. Laurie's head and she makes me laugh when she does it to me. I explored the pool with Ms. Laurie as I acted like a spider on the wall. I went all the way around the pool. My comfort for going underwater was a slow development, but once I was comfortable going underwater with Ms. Laurie then I started to enjoy going underwater alone on the steps. I can make some really BIG bubbles. First, I learned to get rocket swim toys underwater on the first step then I was able to get rings on the bottom step. I found out that opening your eyes underwater makes finding the toys much easier. I now love going underwater so much that I even swim over the steps. Ms. Laurie told my mom that I have become a fish. I even went underwater like a shark and ate a fish. Swimming with Ms. Laurie helped me find out that going underwater like a fish is the best part about being in the swimming pool. I love Kidtastics swim program and cannot wait to swim with Ms. Laurie next



summer. I will keep improving my swim skills with mommy since Ms. Laurie gave her so some many swim tips. Thanks Kidtastics for making swimming the most fun of all!

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