

Helen Crocker Russell Library of Horticulture

Selections from the Children's Book Collection:

Conservation and Stewardship

The Forgotten Forest. Anholt, Laurence. San Francisco, CA: Sierra Club Books for Children, 1992. The vast forests of a country are all cut down to make room for development, until finally only one small wooded area remains like an island in the endless noisy sea of the city. Early readers. (J)QH541.5.F6 An49 1992

Common Ground: The Water, Earth, and Air We Share. Bang, Molly. New York: Blue Sky Press, c1997. This story serves as a parable and warning about the consumption of shared resources. Advanced readers. (J)S936 .B224 1997

Uno's Garden. Base, Graeme. New York : Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2006. Uno builds a home and garden in the magnificent forest among the playful puddlebutts and feathered frinklepods, but over time the animals and plants grow scarce as humans develop the land. Our Story Time groups love this inventive conservation parable. (Early readers) (J)QH541.5.F6 B291u 2006

El Gran Capoquero: un Cuento de la Selva Amazonica. Cherry, Lynne. New York: Trumpet Club, 1994. The many different animals that live in a great kapok tree in the Brazilian rainforest try to convince a man with an ax of the importance of not cutting down their home. Early readers. Spanish language. (J)QK495.B66 CR C424s 1990
(Also available in English: *The Great Kapok Tree: A Tale of the Amazon Rain Forest*)

On Meadowview Street. Cole, Henry. New York : Greenwillow Books, c2007. Upon moving to a new house, young Caroline and her family encourage wildflowers to grow and birds and animals to stay in their yard, helping their suburban street live up to its name. Early readers. (J)QH541.5 .M4 C674 2007

Where Once There Was a Wood. Fleming, Denise. New York: Henry Holt, 1996. Examines the many forms of wildlife that can be displaced if their environment is destroyed by development and discusses how communities and schools can provide spaces for them to live. Early readers. (J)QL59 .F629 1996

Girls who green the world : thirty-four rebel women out to save our planet. Kapp, Diana. New York : Delacorte Press, 2022. A guidebook to the modern environmental movement featuring 34 inspiring women working to save our planet. Advanced readers and adults. (J)QH75 .K142 2022

Nibbles: A Green Tale. Middleton, Charlotte. New York: Marshall.

Every guinea pig in Dandeville loves to eat dandelion leaves until there is only one plant left, and Nibbles secretly and carefully tends this treasure until he can share the seeds with his community. Early readers. (J)QK495.C74 M584 2010

Ecology Crafts for Kids : 50 Great Ways to Make Friends with Planet Earth. Needham, Bobbe. New York : Sterling Pub., c1998.

Provides instructions for a variety of craft activities using recycled materials or items from nature and teaching a respect for the environment. Advanced readers. (J)QK98.4.A1 N289 1998

Children Save the Rain Forest. Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw. New York: Cobblehill Books/Dutton, 1996. Explores the International Children's Rain Forest (Bosque Eterno de los Niños), 40,000 acres of Costa Rica saved from destruction by children's contributions. Advanced readers. (J)QH541.5.R27cac P272 1996

Fighting for the Forest. Rand, Gloria New York: Holt, 1999.

When they find blue logging markings in the ancient forest where they like to hike, a boy and his father try to save the trees from being cut down. Advanced readers. (J)QH541.5.F6 R154 1999

Earthsong. Rogers, Sally. New York: Dutton Children's Books, 1998.

Verses about various animals, including endangered species, in various habitats around the world. Early readers. (J)QL88 .R633 1998

Tree of Life: The Incredible Biodiversity of Life on Earth. Strauss, Rochelle. Toronto, Canada: Kids Can Press, 2004.

Reveals how all living things are separated into five kingdoms, all of which contain different facets of life on Earth. Advanced readers. (J)QH75 .S77 2004

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