

National Non-Fiction November: The Planet We Share

Resources



Aquila Magazine: The Earth

The Earth Issue Online Resources

The resources include: six pages from this topical issue; Planet spotting: find the ecliptic; Design a ocean clean-up machine; Magnificent map-making; Write a newspaper article; Create a radio play; Paint a jungle landscape. Aimed at 8-13-year-olds.

https://www.aquila.co.uk/earth-resources/

Dorling Kindersley Activity Sheets

Downloadable activity sheets for 7-9s include The *Brilliant Book of Bugs* and *How to Make a Better World*. Follow the link to the Stay Home Hub where you can find more sheets including *Environment: Celebrating the Earth* for 7-11s. https://www.dk.com/uk/information/activity-sheets/

Earth Heroes (Nosy Crow)

Teaching Resource Pack based on *Earth Heroes* by Lily Dyu which celebrates pioneering work from around the globe. Lesson plans and worksheets. Please note that the associated #IAmAnEarthHero video competition is now closed. https://nosycrow.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Earth-Heroes-Resources.pdf

Here We Are: Notes For Living On Planet Earth (Harper Collins)

Back to School Support for September #CLPEWordsForTheWorld

Register for a FREE two week long whole school unit of work developed by the Centre for Literacy in Primary Education (CLPE) based on *Here We Are: Notes For Living On Planet Earth* by Oliver Jeffers. Suitable for Early Years to Year 6. https://clpe.org.uk/aboutus/news/back-school-support-september-clpewordsfortheworld

Hope Jones Saves the World (Andersen)

The first in a series of illustrated novels by Josh Lacey and Beatrix Castro about a 10-year-old ecowarrior determined to make a difference. Written in blog format, each book will focus on a different environmental issue — in this case it is plastic food packaging. The book contains ten ways of helping. Visit the associated website www.hopejonessavestheworld.com to find two free downloadable worksheets: *Plastic Tally* and *Make a Campaign Poster*.

The Great Outdoors booklist (The Reading Agency)

Published in July, this 'booklist is about books that immerse a reader in an environment, where the setting plays an important part to the plot or shows the beauty of nature'. It includes poetry, picture books, non-fiction and chapter books that celebrate the great outdoors.

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resources.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/entries/document/4476/The Great Outdoors booklist for children and young people.pdf

National Non-Fiction November Bookmarks and Bunting

The wonderful bookmarks artist Sam Heath designed for The World Around Us in 2017 also work very well with this year's theme. http://www.fcbg.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/bookmarks.pdf

The bunting is ideal for displays in classrooms or libraries during NNFN. http://www.fcbg.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/bunting.pdf

The i Newspaper

'i is the UK's only concise, quality newspaper which, every day, keeps hundreds of thousands of readers from all demographics informed with no-nonsense journalism and a lively spectrum of opinion.' Schools can request **FREE** multiple copies of the i for a pre-arranged day. This would make a fantastic resource to use during NNFN – to link in with a focus on the news or for a special whole-school non-fiction Drop Everything And Read (DEAR) session. You can request enough copies for all the students and staff involved (with a minimum of 30 copies). Each school is entitled to take advantage of this offer two times during any academic year, with a minimum of 5 days' notice is required. To place your order contact Paul Bacon Paul.Bacon@inews.co.uk or Tel: 078 0321 4578.

The Last Tree (Pavilion)

Powerful picture book story by Emily Haworth-Booth about community and our relationship with the environment. There are two fantastic downloadable resource packs for book groups and teachers:

Key Stage 1: https://y2w3m7x9.rocketcdn.me/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/The-Last-Tree-KS1-resource-pack.pdf

Key Stage 2/3: https://y2w3m7x9.rocketcdn.me/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/The-Last-Tree-KS2-resource-pack.pdf

The Lost Words (Hamish Hamilton)

This beautiful award-winning collection of poetry by Robert Macfarlane with sumptuous illustrations by Jackie Morris is an evocative celebration of nature words and the natural words they evoke. Visit the John Muir Trust to discover a plethora of related resources including a Literacy and Nature Resource Guide and free Posters:

https://www.johnmuirtrust.org/latest/news/1350-new-explorers-guide-to-the-lost-words-now-available

And the superb *Explorer's Guide* by Eva John designed 'for anyone with an interest in nature, words and images who want to explore further some of the ideas and creatures conjured up by *The Lost Words*':

https://www.johnmuirtrust.org/assets/000/002/830/LOST WORDS Explorers-Guide pages original.pdf

Making an Usborne Flap Book

A short film which provides an insight into the different people at Usborne Publishing involved in creating their range of non-fiction flap books for young readers.

http://youtu.be/OM3GKcZDwBw

School Library Association's Information Book Award

Get children involved in voting for the SLA IBA

The 11 shortlisted books are divided into 3 age related categories. Votes can be submitted on behalf of book groups or classes up until 5pm on Monday 26th October and the winners will be announced mid-November. Discounted packs of both the longlisted and the shortlisted books in each category can be purchased from https://www.peters.co.uk/iba In addition to printable posters, there is an activity sheet for each book which includes ideas for group and curriculum linked activities. Start by having a look at the sheets for *Kids Fight Plastic* and *Hidden Planet* which tie in with this year's theme. https://www.sla.org.uk/iba-2020 Reviewing and discussing the age relevant categories with your group/class and registering votes for their favourites is a great activity.

Tale of a Toothbrush: A Story of Plastic in Our Oceans (Walker)

Teaching notes for this topical and delightfully funny picture book by M G Leonard, written by the teachers at the Centre for Literacy in Primary Education.

 $\underline{https://clpe.org.uk/sites/default/files/The\%20Tale\%20of\%20a\%20Toothbrush_Teachers\%20Notes.p. \\ \underline{df}$

Usborne Quicklinks

Discover the recommended websites that enhance Usborne books, listen to the pronunciation guides for Usborne language books and download free pictures, puzzles and quizzes. Watch the introductory video, browse the subject areas or use keywords to refine your search. Try 'planet' weather' and 'environment'. https://www.usborne.com/quicklinks/eng/

You Are Eating Plastic Every Day: What's in Our Food? (Raintree)

Word search activity with glossary based on the book by Danielle Smith-Llera. Secondary. https://www.raintree.co.uk/media/15066/you-are-eating-plastic-every-day-activity-sheet.pdf

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