



National Share a Story Month 2020.

The Planet We Share

Just a small selection of the many books with themes that reflect on the planet we share.

Young Readers (Picture Books)

Welcome by Barroux Egmont UK ISBN 978-1405280525 Polar Bears attempting to find a welcoming home as their ice shrinks.

Charlie and Lola: Look after your Planet by Lauren Child Puffin ISBN 978-0141333731 A gentle introduction to the idea of recycling

The Promise by Nicola Davies, Illus Laura Carlin. Walker Books ISBN 978-1406355598. Powerful picture book about the power we have to transform our world.

It's Your World Now by Barry Falls Pavilion ISBN 978-1843654100 A journey through the adventures of life, told in rhyme, celebrating the potential of each child.

Dinosaurs and all that Rubbish by Michael Foreman Puffin ISBN 978-0140552607
Classic environmental tale.

One World: Our Chance to Save the Planet by Michael Foreman Andersen Press ISBN 978-1849393041 This beautiful classic is 30 years old now

Tidy by Emily Gravett Two Hoots ISBN 978-1447273998 Can you ever be too tidy?

Elephant in my Kitchen by Smriti Halls Illus by Ella Okstad Egmont UK ISBN 978-1405295666 A lovely introduction to some of the 'big issues' facing us today.

The Great Big Book of Families by Mary Hoffman Illus by Ros Asquith Frances Lincoln ISBN 978-1847805874 Depictions of all sorts of family make-up.

Sally and the Limpet by Simon James Walker Books ISBN 978-1406308464.
About a little girl who learns an environmental lesson.

My Hair by Hannah Lee Illus by Allen Fatimaharan Faber & Faber ISBN 978-0571346875 Debut author and illustrator using hair styles to show difference and similarity between people in a girl's search for the best party hair style!

The Tale of a Toothbrush by M G Leonard Illus Daniel Rieley Walker Books ISBN 978-1406389692 The story of what happens to a toothbrush – you are never too young to start thinking about environmental impacts of your actions.

Where my Wellies Take Me by Claire and Michael Morpurgo. Illus by Olivia Lomenech Gill Templar ISBN 978-1783700561 Part poetry, part scrapbook – a walk in the country

Lily and the Polar Bears by Jion Sheibani Faber & Faber ISBN 978-0571337767 A topical picture book touching on the environment and immigration – and how to be welcoming.

Story Books, Chapter and Older Picture Books

Snow Leopard: Grey Ghost of the Mountain by Justin Anderson Illus Patrick Benson Walker Books ISBN 978-1406378283 Renowned wildlife filmmaker Anderson creates a powerful book about the increasingly rare snow leopard.

Where the River Runs Gold by Sita Bramacharia Orion ISBN 978-1510105416 his striking fiction looks at family, at the will to survive and how people adapt and fight back against cruel, dictatorships. Themes of rewilding, finding help and love in unexpected places all set in a powerful adventure.

The Ice Bear Miracle by Cerrie Burnell OUP ISBN 978-0192767561 A compelling mystery set in the deep-frozen north on the Isle of Bears – experience the cold, ice and magic for yourselves.

Fire Girl, Forest Boy by Chloe Daykin Faber & Faber ISBN 978-0571349432 Thrilling adventure set in the Peruvian rainforest.

The Pear Affair by Judith Eagle Illus by Kim Geyer Faber & Faber ISBN 978-0571346851 Set in Paris, above and below the streets, this is a mystery populated with characters you will love.

The Island by Armin Greder Allen and Unwin ISBN 9781741752663 In the morning the people of the Island find a man on their shore – he is not like them...

The Mediterranean by Armin Greder Allen and Unwin ISBN 9781760630959 A look at society's treatment of refugees fleeing across treacherous waters.

Hope Jones Saves the World by Josh Lacey Illus by Beatriz Castro Andersen Press ISBN 978-1783449279 Hope and Harry make the New Year's Resolution to give up plastic – but can they do it? Written as Hope's blog with lots of illustrations.

A Planet Full of Plastic and how you can help by Neil Layton Wren and Rook ISBN 978-1526361769 Perfect for NF lovers who want to help the planet.

One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the recycling women of the Gambia by Miranda Paul Lerner ISBN 978-1467716086 How one woman began a recycling movement in her country.

The Explorer by Katherine Rundell Bloomsbury ISBN 978-1408882191 Thrilling adventure as a small plane crashes into the Amazon rainforest.

The White Giraffe by Lauren St John Orion ISBN 978-1842555637 A girl's heart-warming adventures on a game reserve in South Africa

Bloom by Nicola Skinner. Harper Collins ISBN 978-0008297381 A book about looking after our world and the surprising effects it may have on us – subversively funny.

Winter Sleep: A Hibernation Story by Sean Taylor and Alex Morss Illus by Cinyee Chiu Words & Pictures ISBN 978-0711242838 A rhyming bedtime story following a child and Grandma through a winter landscape. Useful details about hibernating animals also included.

Older Readers

Earth Heroes: Twenty Inspiring Stories of People Saving Our World by Lily Dyu Illus Jackie Lay Nosy Crow ISBN 978-1788008525 Inspiring stories of people worldwide working to save the planet.

On Midnight Beach by Marie-Louise Fitzpatrick Faber & Faber ISBN 978-0571355594 First young YA novel from well-known Irish author. Dolphins take up residence in a local cove and become an irresistible attraction to a group of friends

The Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson Macmillan ISBN 978-1447265689 An Amazon adventure full of mystery and wonderful characters.

A House Without Walls by Elizabeth Laird Macmillan ISBN 978-1509880720 A moving story of a family's fight to rebuild their lives after being forced to become refugees.

Welcome to Nowhere by Elizabeth Laird Macmillan ISBN 978-1509840496 War in Syria causing Omar's family to become migrants, powerfully told.

The Other Side of Truth by Beverley Naidoo Puffin ISBN 978-0141304762 What it's like to be forced from your home to be an illegal immigrant in Britain.

The Gravity of Us by Phil Stamper Bloomsbury ISBN 978-1526619945 A family uprooted to be part of a NASA space mission. With themes of LGBT romance, social media interactions and lots of subplots this is strong contemporary storytelling.

Mature Readers

The Wolf Road by Richard Lambert Everything with Words ISBN 978-1911427162 To quote Hilary McKay, Costa-winning author of *The Skylarks' War* - "An astonishing exploration of grief and love and courage and wildness."

Dog Runner by Bren McDibble Old Barn Books ISBN 9781910646489 Compelling storytelling giving hope that old knowledge and breeds will help regrowth after climate devastation.

Poetry

Cherry Moon: Little Poems, Big Ideas by Zoro Weil Troika ISBN 978-1909991941 Poetry collection mindful of nature.

Information Books

A World of Plants by James Brown and Martin Jenkins Walker Studio ISBN 978-1406388565 Large format packed full of information and stylish illustrations

Kids Fight Plastic by Martin Dorey Illus Tim Wesson Walker Books ISBN 978-1406390650 A book full of ideas for 2-minute missions to help save the oceans.

Meet the Planets by Caryl Hart Illus Bethan Woolvin Bloomsbury ISBN 978-1408892992 Read aloud highly illustrated storybook approach about the planets – lovely!

Earth Shattering Events: The Science behind natural disasters by Robin Jacobs Illus by Sophie Williams Cicada ISBN 987-1908714701 This book explores nature at it's most destructive, giving clear breakdowns of the science behind these events.

RSPB Birds by Miranda Krestovnikoff Illus by Angela Harding Bloomsbury ISBN 978-1408893913 Much, much more than just a spotter's guide to Birds – packed with information for all.