



National Non-Fiction November 2020
Ideas for 'The Planet We Share' Activities



1. Write a poem inspired by the theme. Young poets in Key Stage 2 & 3 can enter 'The Planet We Share' poetry writing competition. See the FCBG website for further information.
2. Create a monster out of household rubbish.
3. Design a poster using the 'Reuse, Recycle, Reduce' slogan.
4. Keep a diary of your own efforts to reuse, recycle and reduce.
5. Create a charter for looking after the environment with your book group or class members.
6. Design a machine for collecting rubbish in the oceans. See *Aquila* on the Resources list for further guidance.
7. Research and write about a key person associated with conservation, looking after the environment or climate change. The resulting work could be used to create a class or group book, perhaps arranged in A-Z order, or displayed on a wall as a timeline. See *Earth Heroes* on the Resources list for more ideas.
8. Research and write about an endangered species. The resulting work could be used for a display with a map of the world at its center to show where the different creatures can be found.
9. Design a board game inspired by the theme.
10. Observe and record the weather and flora & fauna in your garden, playground or local park during part or all of the month.
11. Fight plastic with your voice. Write to a teacher, local councilor or MP. See *Kid's Fight Plastic* for guidance.
12. Create an outfit out of 'rubbish'/recycled clothes, take photos for a display or put on a fashion show.
13. Organise and run a quiz on 'The Planet We Share' theme – this would make a great book club/group activity
14. Create a 'wish tree' to show what your family, book group or class would like to achieve for the future of the planet.
15. Invent a new use for your old toothbrush instead of throwing it away. Key Stage 1 children can submit their ideas to the competition sponsored by Walker. See the FCBG website for more information.
16. Hold a special NNFN Drop Everything and Read session using information books, magazines or newspapers. See the Resources list for details about obtaining FREE copies of the i newspaper.

17. Read, review and vote for the books shortlisted for the SLA IBA. See the Resources list for more details.
18. Invite colleagues to display a poster on their classroom door recommending a non-fiction title.
19. Read non-fiction aloud to your children, book group, class or whole school.
20. Design a 'Keep Britain Tidy' poster.
21. Create a display about 'the planet we share' in your classroom or library.

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