

ECO-BIBLIOGRAPHY: RESOURCES FOR THE EARTH UP CONFERENCE PRESENTED BY THE NATIONAL STORYTELLING NETWORK, APRIL 2021.

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BOOKS

FOLKTALE COLLECTIONS WITH ECOLOGICAL THEMES

Celebrating the Earth: Stories, Experiences, and Activities by Norma Livo. Englewood, CO: Libraries Unlimited, 2000. Learn about the natural world through folktales, personal narrative and hands-on activities.

Day of the Moon Shadow: Tales w/ Ancient Answers to Scientific Questions by Judy Gail and Linda Houlding. Englewood, CO: Libraries Unlimited, 1995. Contemporary science through the viewpoint of the ancients; a unique multicultural and scientific resource.

Earth Care: World Folktales to Talk About by Margaret Read MacDonald. Atlanta, GA: August House, 2005. A companion to *Peace Tales: World Folktales to Talk About*. 41 tales chosen because they make some point about man's relationship to the earth.

The Earth Stories Collection: How to Make Another World Possible with Myths, Legends, and Traditional Stories by Grian A. Cutanda. Seville, Spain: The Avalon Project, 2019. Detailed discussion of rationale for using folktales, plus 45 stories from the Earth Stories Collection. <https://theearthstoriescollection.org/en/home>

Earthtales: Storytelling in Times of Change by Alida Gershie. London: Greenprint, 1992. An extensive collection of well-chosen tales. Useful as a storytelling source.

Family of Earth and Sky: Indigenous Tales of Nature from Around the World by John Elder and Hertha D. Wong. Boston: Beacon Press, 1994. A widely ranging collection, not necessarily tellable, but thought-provoking.

Hidden Stories in Plants: Unusual and Easy-to-tell Stories from Around the World Together with Creative Things to Do While Telling Them by Anne Pellowski. New York: MacMillan, 1990. Tellable stories, with activities.

Keepers of the Earth: Native American Stories and Environmental Activities for Children by Michael J. Caduto and Joseph Bruchac, Fulcrum Inc, 1988.

The Language of the Birds by David M. Guss. San Francisco: North Point Press, 1985. Guss includes poetry, essays, and folklore in this thoughtful collection. You might not find tellable material here, but you will gain from experiencing the book.

Learning from the Land: Teaching Ecology through Stories and Activities by Brian “Fox” Ellis, Santa Barbara, CA: Libraries Unlimited, 1996.

Myths of the Sacred Tree by Moyra Cladecoot. Rochester, New Vt.: Destiny Books, 1993. Cladecoot is interested in the mythological meanings of trees, her stories go deep, and will interest those who tell primarily to adult listeners.

The Rain Forest Storybook: Traditional Stories from the Peoples of South America, Africa, and South-East Asia by Rosalind Kervin. Cambridge University Press, 1994. Great collection of exciting tales.

Spinning Tales, Weaving Hope: Stories of Peace, Justice and the Environment by Ed Brody, Jay Goldspinner, Katie Green, Rona Leventhal, and John Porcino of Stories for World Change Network. Philadelphia, Pa.: New Society Publishers, 1992, 2002. Favorite tales for telling contributed by professional storytellers.

Storytelling for a Greener World: Environment, Community, and Story-based Learning by Alida Gershie, Anthony Nanson, Edward Schieffelin, Charlene Collison, and Jon Cree. Stroud, England: Hawthorne Press, 2014.

Tales Alive: Bird Tales from Near and Far by Susan Milford. Charlotte, VT: Williamson Publishing, 1998. Six timeless folktales inspired by birds from around the world with hands-on activities.

Tales with Tails: Storytelling the Wonders of the Natural World by Kevin Strauss, Englewood, CO: Libraries Unlimited, 2006.

Tales of the Shimmering Sky: Ten Global Folktales with Activities. By Susan Milord. Charlotte, VT: Williamson Publishing, 1996. Investigating the science of the shimmering sky with crafts, cooking, math, games and history.

SINGLE TALES WITH ECOLOGICAL THEMES {for many more tales see collections above)

“Elsie Piddock Skips in Her Sleep” in *Martin Pippin in the Daisy Field* by Eleanor Farjeon (NY: Lippincott, 1937). Elsie skips rope to keep the developers away from the fairy mound.

“The Magic Box” in *The Way of the Storyteller* by Ruth Sawyer (NY: Viking, 1942). Tonio’s father gives him a magic box which causes the farm to thrive, as long as a bit of its grains are shaken onto each corner of the field each day.

“The Man Who Planted Hope and Grew Happiness” by Jean Giono, in *Sharing the Joy of Nature* by Joseph Cornell. (Nevada City, CA: Dawn, 1989. True story of man who spends forty years planting trees.

“Mouse Woman and Porcupine Hunter” in *Mouse Woman and the Mischief Makers* by Christie Harris (NY: Atheneum, 1977). Great Porcupine teaches couple not to overhunt.

“The Strange Folding Screen” in *Men from the Village Deep in the Mountains* by Garrett Bang (NY: Macmillan, 1973). Frogs beg man not to see property to developer.

TO FIND TALES ON NATURE THEMES USE THESE RESOURCES

The Storyteller’s Sourcebook: A Subject, Title, and Motif Index to Folklore Collections for Children by Margaret Read MacDonald. Detroit, MI: Gale Research, 1981. Search for names of animals, birds, plants, moon, stars, etc.

The Storyteller’s Sourcebook: A Subject, Title and Motif Index to Folklore Collections for Children 1983-1999 by Margaret Read MacDonald and Brian Sturm. Detroit, MI: Gale Research, 2001.

FOLKTALE PICTURE BOOKS WITH ECOLOGICAL THEMES

Brave Little Parrot by Rafe Martin. NY: G.P. Putnam 1998. Forest fire.

Give up Gecko: A Folktale from Uganda by Margaret Read MacDonald. NY: Two Lions, 2013. Animals in drought.

Go to Sleep Gecko. A Balinese Folktale. By Margaret Read MacDonald. August House, 2006. Interconnectedness of nature.

The Invisible Hunters: A Legend from the Miskito Indians of Nicaragua/Los Cazadores Invisible: una Leyenda de los Indios Miskitos de Nicaragua. Ed. by Octavio Chow and Morris Vidaure. Trans. by Rosalma Zubizarreta and Alma Flor Ada. Illus. Joe Sam. San Francisco, CA: Children’s Book Press, 1987,

The People Who Hugged the Trees: An Environmental Folk Tale by Deborah Lee Rose. Illus. Birgitta Saflund. Roberts Rinehart, 1990. Villagers hug trees until ruler agrees to let them stand.

Slop: A Welsh Folktale by Margaret Read MacDonald, illus Yvonne LeBrun Davis. Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 1997. Dealing with garbage.

Surf War: A Folktale from the Marshall Islands by Margaret Read MacDonald, illus Geraldo Valério. Atlanta, GA: August House, 2009. Fight over resources.

NATURE CONNECTION PICTURE BOOKS

Amazon Boy by Ted Lewin. NY: MacMillan, 1993. Endangered creatures on the river.

Chipmunk Song by Joanne Ryder. Illus. Lynne Cherry. New York: Dutton, 1987. Child acts out the life of a chipmunk.

A Christmas Promise, Lark Carrier. Amy makes all the inhabitants of a tree leave so she can bring it in the house for Christmas. Picture Book Studio, 1986.

Common Ground: The Water, Earth, and Air We Share by Molly Bang. New York: Scholastic, 1997. If we use up all our resources, then what?

Everybody Needs a Rock by Byrd Baylor. Illus. Peter Parnall. NY: Simon & Schuster, 1985. Paying close attention to a rock.

Fighting for the Forest by Gloria Rand. Illus. by Ted Rand. NY: Holt, 1999.

Grandfather's Dream by Holly Keller. NY: Greenwillow, 1994. Will cranes ever return to the marsh?

The Other Way to Listen by Byrd Baylor. Illus. Peter Parnell. NY: Simon & Schuster, 1997. Learning to listen to the desert.

The Snail's Spell by Joanne Ryder. Illus. Lynne Cherry. New York: Puffin, 1988. Child acts out the life of a snail.

Waiting for Wings, Lois Ehlert. HMH Books for Young Readers, 2001. Butterfly's day.

Where Butterflies Grow by Joanne Ryder. Illus. Lynne Cherry. New York: Puffin, 1996. Life cycle of a swallowtail butterfly.

Where the Forest Meets the Sea by Jeannie Baker. NY: Morrow, 1988. The beach changes from dinosaurs to hotels.

Who Speaks for Wolf: A Native American Learning Story by Paula Underwood. Illus. Frank Howell. Learning Way, 1991, When people chose the land, who speaks for wolf.

Window by Jeannie Baker. NY: Greenwillow, 1991. Forest changes to town.

Zonk, the Dreaming Tortoise by David Hoobler. Haywood, CA: Zonk Galleries and Publications, 2008. A Sonoran Desert Tortoise decides he wants to be a sea turtle.

Zonk and the Gray Whale's Birthday Party by David Hoobler. Haywood, CA: Zonk Galleries and Publications, 2013. Zonk searches for a way back home and attends the gray whale's birthday party.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS ON ECOLOGICAL TOPICS BY OUR KEYNOTE, JANE YOLEN

Owl Moon. Illus. John Schoenherr. New York: Philomel Books, 1987, ages 3-7

Fly with Me: A Celebration of Birds through Pictures, Poems, and Stories. Washington, D.C., National Geographic Kids, 2018, ages 4-8

I am the Storm. With Heidi E.Y. Stemple. Illus. Kristen Howdeshell, Kevin Hodeshell. New York: Penguin, 2020, ages 3-5

The Stranded Whale. Illus. Melani Cataldo, NY: Candlewick, 2015, ages 5-9

On Bird Hill, Cornell Lab Publishing Group, 2016, ages 3-5

On Gull Beach, Cornell Lab Publishing Group, 2018, ages 3-6

On Duck Pond, Cornell Lab Publishing Group, 2019, preschool - 4

A Mirror to Nature. Illus. Jason Stemple. Wordsong, 2009, ages 10-12

Birds of a Feather. Illus. Jason Stemple. Wordsong, 2011, ages 9-12

Mother Earth Father Sky: Poems of Our Planet, illus Jennifer Hewiston. Wordsong, 1995, ages 4-6

Welcome to the River of Grass, Putnam Juvenile, 2001, ages preschool – 4

Welcome to the Ice House, G. P. Putnam and Sons Books for Young Readers, 1998, ages 4-8

Welcome to the Green House, Puffin Books, 1998, ages 4-8

Stemple, Heidi E. Y., *Counting Birds*, Seagrass Press, 2018, ages 3-7

CONNECTING CHILDREN WITH NATURE

Acting for Nature: What Young People Around the World Have Done to Protect the Environment by Sneed B. Collard III and Action for Nature. San Francisco: Action for Nature, 2000.

Beyond Ecophobia: Reclaiming the Heart in Nature Education by David Sobel. Orion Society, 2005. Discusses with eloquence and passion the importance of giving children the opportunity to bond with the natural world, to learn to love it and feel comfortable in it before being asked to heal its wounds. It speaks to anyone interested in nurturing in children the ability to understand and care for nature.

Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants by Douglas Tallamy. Portland, OR: Timber Press, 2009. Tallamy advocates planting more native plants to help wildlife populations, and planting “keystone” plants/trees that have a high disproportionate effect on pollinators, insects, and wildlife generally.

Children's Special Places: Exploring the Role of Forts, Dens, and Bush Houses in Middle Childhood by David Sobel. Wayne State University Press, 2002. *Children's Special Places* reveals how the creation of forts, playhouses, etc. is critical to a child's development and emotional health. Children learn to control environments of their own and enjoy freedom from the rules of the adult world. They can “make a world in which to find a place to discover self.”

The Curious Nature Guide: Explore the Natural Wonders All Around You. By Clair Walker Leslie. North Adams, MASS: Storey, 2015. (and others by this author)

Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children from Nature-Deficit Disorder by Richard Louv. Algonquin Books, 2005, 2006. Not only can nature teach kids science and nurture their creativity, nature needs its children: where else will its future stewards come from? Louv links children's alienation from nature to attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, stress, depression.

Nature's Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation that Starts in Your Backyard by Douglas Tallamy. Portland, OR: Timber Press, 2019

The Nature of Oaks: The Rich Ecology of Our Most Essential Trees by Douglas Tallamy. Portland, OR: Timber Press, 2021.

ACTIVITY BOOKS FOR TEACHERS, PARENTS AND KIDS

Green Hour: A Daily Dose of Nature for Happier, Healthier and Smarter Kids, Todd Christopher. Boston: Trumpeter Books, 2010. Written by the creator of the National Wildlife Federation's GreenHouse.org. 288 pages.

Heart-Centered Teaching, Inspired by Nature: Using Nature's Wisdom to Bring More Joy and Effectiveness to Our Work with Children. By Nancy Rosenow. Dimensions Educational Research Foundation, 2012. 92 pages.

My Nature Book: A Journal and Activity Book for Kids by Linda Kranz. Lanham, MD.: Taylor, 2013.

Science Through Children's Literature: An Integrated Approach. By Carol and John Butzow. Englewood, CO: Libraries Unlimited, 1989. An alternative approach to the teaching of elementary science utilizing activities and well-selected, and factually correct, works of children's fiction.

Sharing the Joy of Nature: Nature Activities for all ages.by Joseph Cornell. Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 1989. A veritable treasury of nature game and activities for children and adults.

Teaching Kids to Love the Earth: Sharing a Sense of Wonder...186 Activities for Parents and Other Teachers. By Marina Lachecki, Joseph Passineau, Ann Linnea, and Paul Treuer. Minneapolis, MN: University of Minnesota Press, 1991.

CLIMATE CHANGE: CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Climate Action: What Happened and What We Can Do by Seymour Simon. NY: HarperCollins, 2021. Short chapters and photos highlight the problems and simple actions we can take.

How We Know What We Know About Our Changing Climate: Scientists and Kids Explore Global Warming by Lynne Cherry and Gary Braasch, Dawn Publications 2008.

The New 50 Simple Things Kids Can Do to Save the Earth. By John and Sophie Javna. Andrews McMeel Publishing, 2009.

The Tree Rings' Tale: Understanding Our Changing Climate by John Fleck, University of New Mexico Press, 2009.

CLIMATE CHANGE ADULT BOOKS

50 Simple Things You Can Do to Save the Earth by John Javna. New York: Hyperion, 2008.

Don't Even Think About It: Why Our Brains Are Wired to Ignore Climate Change by George Marshall. NY: Bloomsbury, 2015.

Drawdown: The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming. Ed. by Paul Hawken. New York: Penguin, 2017.

Eaarth: Making a Life on a Tough New Planet by Bill McKibben. New York: Holt, 2010.

Momaday, N. Scott. *Earth Keeper: Reflections on the American Land* by M. Scott Momaday. New York: HarperCollins, 2020.

Falter: Has the Human Game Begun to Play itself Out? By Bill McKibben. New York: Holt, 2019.

Field Notes from a Catastrophe: Man, Nature and Climate Change. By Elizabeth Kolbert. New York: Bloomsbury, 2015.

How to Avoid a Climate Disaster: The Solutions We Have and the Breakthroughs We Need by Bill Gates. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2021.

The Little Book of Going Green by Harriet Dyer. New York: Skyhorse, 2019.

On Fire: The (Burning) Case for a Green New Deal by Naomi Klein. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2020.

The Sixth Extinction: An Unnatural History. By Elizabeth Kolbert. New York: Picador, 2015.

This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs. the Climate by Naomi Klein. NY: Simon & Schuster., 2014.

Merchants of Doubt: How a Handful of Scientists Obscured the Truth on Issues from Tobacco Smoke to Global Warming by Naomi Oreskes and Erik M. Conway. NY: Bloomsbury, 2011.

The World's Littlest Book on Climate: 10 Facts in 10 Minutes about CO2 by Mike Nelson, Pieter

Tans, Michael Banks. Ten in Ten Co2, 2020.

ECOLOGICAL CONNECTIONS, ADULT BOOKS

Being a Beast: Adventures Across the Species Divide. by Charles Foster. Henry Holt. NY. 2016. A passionate naturalist explores what it's really like to be an animal – by living like them.

The Hidden Life of Trees, the illustrated edition. by Peter Wohlleben. Greystone Books. Vancouver/Berkeley. 2015. The amazing processes at work in forests every day.

Intimate Nature: The Bond Between Women and Animals . edited by Linda Hogan, et al. Hawcett Books. NY. 1998. Personal stories conveying a new way of relating to animals.

The Nature Fix: Why Nature Makes Us Happier, Healthier, and More Creative. by Florence Williams. Norton & Co. NY. 2017. The science behind nature's positive effects on the brain.

Swarm Tree: Of Honeybees, Honeymoons and the Tree of Life. by Doug Elliott. Natural History Press. Charleston. 2009. A down-to-earth spiritual journey, crossing boundaries.

ALDO LEOPOLD: GREEN FIRE Thursday evening EarthUp conference program

A Sand County Almanac and Sketches Here and There by Aldo Leopold. New York: Oxford University Press, 1949. Leopold journals about his Wisconsin natural surroundings and advises on the importance of wilderness.

Green Fire Film | The Aldo Leopold Foundation The life and work of Aldo Leopold. Film is free to view on their website.

WEBSITES

YOU TUBE VIEWS

Aiden's Butterflies. 11 year old Aiden shares his love of Monarch Butterflies.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xDf4m69xuw4> or <https://vimeo.com/263245869>.

The Hermit Show: a little story of a little crab in a little trouble with a little trash. Sort of. - YouTube Object telling by Daniel Kelin. A wordless tale, moving shells around, Kelin shows how hermit crabs seek out ever larger shells...until one chooses a plastic container.

The story of Stuff. Complicated stuff made simple for teens and adults. <https://www.storyofstuff.org>

TALE TEXTS ONLINE

Czence Zalka's website. Climate change folktales. 8 interesting tales .

<https://multicolorediary.blogspot.com/2019/05/folktales-about-climate-change.html>

The Earth Stories Collection: <https://theearthstoriescollection.org/en/home>

Website hosts texts from collection of over 336 stories related to earth care and social issues.

Links to some videos. Hosted by The Avalon Project; The Secretariat of Earth Charter

International; and the Scottish Storytelling Festival. The website and book that springs from it seem to be the brain child of Grian A. Curtanda, who studied in Edinburgh during his Ph.D.

work for the University of Granada and teamed up with Donald Smith, Director of the Scottish Storytelling Festival.

Forest Stories – 7 Tales from far-away lands - “Stories of forests, rivers, mountains, deserts and magical beings who call these places home. Journey to amazing places through these short stories and learn the wisdom of the forest.” <https://healingforest.org/2019/10/26/forest-stories/>

Fran Stallings website. Many folktales, paired with science info.

<https://www.franstallings.com/web/Environmentor>

Kevin Straus website. Brief descriptions of many tales with sources listed. Good resource.

<http://web.archive.org/web/20160304165821/http://environmentalstorytelling.com/>

Nancy Schimmel, Malvina Reynolds. Sisters' Choice. Has lists of ecology stories, environmental songs, bi-lingual ecology <http://www.sisterschoice.com>

Plants, Animals, Salt and Spirits: How People Live, Work and Talk About the Environment in Rural Cambodia, Laos and Thailand - The People's Stories Project, launched in 2014 with three purposes: “ (1) To record legends, old tales, folklore and narratives, and access the local knowledge and experience over natural resource use...(2) To develop an environmental education tool kit...to bring about better governance of local resources, and; (3) To convey knowledge of local natural resource use and the richness of the world ...providing a new point of view for observing natural resource management in the Mekong Region.”

http://www.mekongwatch.org/PDF/Booklet_PeopleStory.pdf

TALES TO VIEW

The Circle of Life and the Clambake - A lovely story from the Wampanoag culture that encompasses the circle of life and caring for the earth.

<http://tinyurl.com/kpdyaq>

Earth Cakes, Sky Cakes – Folktale from Cambodia

<http://tinyurl.com/dy6dsv>

Earth Care stories. All tales from NSN EarthUP Conference 2021. Youtube search for EarthCare MRM

The Haudenosaunee Creation Story - Iroquois/Native American

<https://www.oneidaindiannation.com/the-haudenosaunee-creation-story/>

The Owl and the Deer - Cambodia

<http://www.mekongwatch.org/peoplestory/zone1-story6.html>

When the Earth and Sky Were Married - India

<http://tinyurl.com/cw34y8>

Why is the Sky So Far Away – Nigeria

<https://reelrani.wordpress.com/2017/01/10/why-is-the-sky-so-far-away-an-african-folktale/>

CONNECTING KIDS AND NATURE

21 Stories of transition.pdf <https://transitionnetwork.org>

Action for Nature honors Eco-Heroes: 8-16 year olds who have completed a substantial project to help sustain our planet. Read their stories on <https://actionfornature.org> This site also has many links to kid-friendly environmental action and scientific sites.

Children and Nature Network. A comprehensive resource for news & research, learning, and community action & local networks. National Wildlife Federation, Green Hour and other educational resources . <https://www.childrenandnature.org>

Earth Day celebration resources from Karen Chase. Links to story texts and book citations for all ages, and crafts for small fry. <https://karenchace.blogspot.com/2012/04/moon-maiden-of-green-willow-by-warwick.html>

Edutopia.org - Earth Day: Lesson Plans, Reading Lists, and Classroom Ideas - Resources from around the web. There is so much valuable information at this site you could be here for days. <https://www.edutopia.org/blog/earth-day-lesson-plans-matt-davis>

Enchanted Learning - Earth Day activities, crafts, and projects.
<https://www.enchantedlearning.com/crafts/earthday/>

Field Trip Earth - A global resource for teachers, students and wildlife proponents offering educator resources, essays, and information on conservation projects around the world.
<https://fieldtripearth.org>

The History Behind Earth Day <https://www.earthday.org/history/>

Housing A Forest – 20 Earth Day crafts and activities for kids.
<http://www.housingaforest.com/20-earth-day-crafts-and-activities-for-kids/>

iheartcraftythings.com – 25 Earth Day Day crafts for kids.
<https://iheartcraftythings.com/25-earth-day-crafts-for-kids.html>

Nature Detectives. <https://naturedetectivesusa.com>. Creating Opportunities for kids to discover the outdoor world.

Planet Pals.com - This is a colorful, fun and information filled website on all things Earth: Lesson plans and activities for both teachers and parents, the history behind Earth Day, coloring pages, puzzles, clip art and so much more. <http://www.planetpals.com/index.html>

Opening the World Through Nature Journaling John Muir
Laws. <https://johnmuirlaws.com/>

Sharing Nature with Children & Journey to the Heart of Nature Joseph
Cornell. <https://www.sharingnature.com/nature-activities.html>

The Ultimate Guide to Creating Sustainability Changemakers by Outdooropia.
<https://www.outdooropia.org/>

CLIMATE CHANGE

<https://350.org/storytelling-toolkit/> Digital storytelling toolkit

Climate Adam uses humor to explain climate issues
<https://www.youtube.com/user/ClimateAdam>

https://www.aaas.org/resources/communication-toolkit?et_rid=252081775&et_cid=3606625

Katharine Hayhoe (evangelical Christian environmental scientist) has a series of videos to help with information on how to talk to people about climate
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCi6RkdaEqgRVKi3AzidF4ow>.

The last time the Earth warmed up...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?fbclid=IwAR3mF3G37xLGTdwwbbgOSfqSBM0HXe8M5AcWKi7rUczSCLILqsCWtCOA2ag&v=IdLBoErAhz4&feature=youtu.be>

CLIMATE FACTS

Alliance for Climate Education <https://ourclimateourfuture.org/>
especially The Secret to Talking About Climate Change
<https://ourclimateourfuture.org/video/secret-talking-climate-change/>

www.ClimateRealityProject.org suggests

Skeptical Science <https://www.skepticalscience.com>

Provides the basics of climate change science as well as rebuttals to some of the most common myths perpetuated by climate change deniers.

Climate Central <http://www.climatecentral.org>

Credible source of climate change news and analysis, as well as a range of videos, graphics, and mapping tools that visualize local impacts like heat, extreme weather, and sea-level rise.

Yale Project on Climate Change Communication

<http://environment.yale.edu/climate-communication/>

Offers communication resources on a variety of user-selectable topics.

US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration <http://www.climate.gov>

Consolidates US climate trends, data, climate change news, as well as teaching aids and tools to help explain the issues clearly and effectively.

"The case for optimism" TED talk by Al Gore

https://www.ted.com/talks/al_gore_the_case_for_optimism_on_climate_change

"Story Telling and Climate Disruption" TEDx talk by Judith Black.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4nMAV8xFUMg&list=PLsRNoUx8w3rPTJL9ZY04lnnwbdmiydW1W&index=21>

Judith Black's blog: <http://lanes.org/an-integrated-life-climate-disruption-storytelling/>

COMMUNICATING ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE

Talking to kids about climate change:

<https://www.rei.com/blog/news/how-to-talk-to-your-kids-about-climate-change?>

<https://www.nrdc.org/stories/your-guide-talking-kids-all-ages-about-climate-change?>

Alliance for Climate Education. Free classroom materials (Our Climate Our Future) and on-line training for educators. <https://acespace.org>

www.frameworksacademy.org on-line course offering palatable approaches to teaching about climate change with young visitors to their sea aquarium.

Talking to adults about climate change:

<https://digest.bps.org.uk/2020/01/20/how-to-be-an-effective-climate-activist-according-to-psychology/?>

<https://storynet.org/how-to-persuade-an-audience-that-thinks-it-knows-everything/> from Forbes

The Psychology of Climate Change Communication: A Guide for Scientists, Journalists, Educators, Political Aides, and the Interested Public <http://guide.cred.columbia.edu> Free download from the Center for Research on Environmental Decisions.

For scientists talking to non-scientists:

https://www.aaas.org/resources/communication-toolkit?et_rid=252081775&et_cid=3606625

E-newsletters:

Grist Magazine, 811 First Avenue, Suite 466, Seattle, WA 98104 USA.

<grist@grist.org>

<http://www.grist.org/cgi-bin/signmeup.pl>

Daily (or opt for weekly) updates on breaking environmental news, with links to primary sources.

Center for Biological Diversity, PO Box 710 Tucson, AZ 85702 o 520-623-5252

<center@biologicaldiversity.org>

<http://www.biologicaldiversity.org/swcbd/PROGRAMS/esa/esa-weekly-roundup.html>

Periodic news briefs.

SONGS

Joyce Rouse: [Helping Heal the Earth One Song at a Time.](#) Earth Mama website makes lyrics for these songs downloadable for free. <https://www.earthmama.org/items/lyrics>

Betsy Rose, <https://www.betsyrosemusic.org> Lyrics for selected songs.

Nancy Schimmel, Malvina Reynolds. Sisters' Choice: Has lists of ecology stories, environmental songs, bi-lingual ecology <http://www.sisterschoice.com>

RECORDINGS WITH ECOLOGICAL THEMES

Fran Stallings, *Stories & Songs for a Green Earth* (CD) www.franstallings.com

Robin Moore, *Fins, furs and Feathers: Animal Tales from the Pennsylvania Mountains-*

Laura Simms, *Four-Legged Tales: Animal Stories for Here and Away-*

Laura Simms, *Fish Tales: Stories from Here and Away*

Susan Strauss, *Birds of Fortune: Blessing Stories from the Book of Nature.*

Susan Strauss, *Tracks, Tracks, Tracks: Native American Coyote Stories.*

Susan Strauss, *The Bird's Tale: Multi-cultural Bird Myths.*

TAKING ACTION: A list from Judith Black

DIRECT ACTION:

350.org 350MASS <https://350mass.betterfutureproject.org>

Greenpeace <http://www.greenpeace.org/usa/>

Earth First <http://www.earthfirst.org>

Idle No More <http://www.idlenomore.ca>

Earth Quaker Action Team <http://www.eqat.org>

Extinction Rebellion <https://rebellion.earth.org>

CDC Climate Disobedience Center www.climatedisobedience.org

Sunrise Movement <https://www.sunrisemovement.org>

Elders Climate Action <https://www.eldersclimateaction.org>

Climate Parents <https://actionnetwork.org/>

EDUCATION, CONSERVATION, and ACTION:

Sierra Club <http://www.sierraclub.org/#>

Union of Concerned Scientists <http://www.ucsusa.org>

Conservation Fund <http://www.conservationfund.org/about-us>

Conservation International <http://www.conservation.org/Pages/default.aspx>

Regional: Trustees of the Reservation: <http://www.thetrustees.org>

Biodiversity for a Livable Climate: Education and Action staff@bio4climate.org

Environment Massachusetts <https://environmentmassachusetts.org>

MCAN Massachusetts Climate Action Network <https://www.massclimateaction.org>

LOBBYING and LEGAL ACTION

The Climate Reality Project/CCL Citizens Climate Lobby <https://citizensclimatelobby.org>

Rainforest Action Network www.ran.org

The National Resource Defense Council <https://www.nrdc.org>

Oceana www.oceana.org

World Watch Institute <http://worldwatch.org>

Oil Change U.S. <https://www.facebook.com/OilChangeUS/>

Climate XChange mvolano@climate-xchange.org

Center for Health, Environment, and Justice chej2@chej.org

Earth Justice <https://earthjustice.org>

BUILDING BRIDGES: GOVERNMENT/INDUSTRY/PEOPLE:

Environmental Defense Fund <https://www.edf.org>

National Resources Defense Council <https://www.nrdc.org>

Rainforest Alliance <http://www.rainforest-alliance.org>

World Resources Institute <http://www.wri.org>

Rocky Mountain Institute <http://www.rmi.org>

Arts for a Safe Climate <https://climarte.org/the-arts-an-essential-service/>

National Renewable Energy Laboratory: <https://www.nrel.gov>

PIPELINES:

NRDC-Tar Sands <https://www.nrdc.org/sites/default/files/tarsandssafetyrisks.pdf>

NYT: <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/07/08/climate/dakota-access-keystone-atlantic-pipelines.html>

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<http://awakethefilm.org/watch.php>

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More Than a Pipeline: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cfSRi6SzH-k>

ORGANIZATIONS

Bioneers: <https://bioneers.org/>

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PODCASTS

The Compass Podcasts from BBC

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p035w97h/episodes/player>

“Under the Canopy” series examines forests as ecosystems and more.

“My Perfect City” series seeks elements that support human welfare.

“Climate Wars” series investigates effects of climate change on human security.

“The New Arctic” series looks at climate change in the North.

“Dominion” series explores human relations with animals.

“Ground Shift” series studies farming and survival.

YOUTUBE VIDEOS ABOUT RECYCLING

[Turning used chopsticks into tables, tiles, and other furniture](#)

[Recycling revolutionary shows how you can turn old clothes into kitchen tiles | Australian Story](#)

[Thailand: Turning straw into gold | Global Ideas](#)

[How Sacred Flowers Are Turned Into Incense Sticks | World Wide Waste](#)

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