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YOUTH AND NATURE

A listing of Elisabeth C. Miller Library resources annotated by Laura Blumhagen

Special thanks to the many individuals and organizations who use and contribute to this collection. All who live in Washington State are welcome to become borrowers.

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We offer over one thousand fiction and nonfiction titles for children and youth (birth to age 18). Whether it's One Leaf Rides the Wind (a collection of counting haiku), Bug Zoo (a guide for creating a backyard insect vivarium), or something entirely different, you can borrow the best books to enrich kids' engagement in nature. Using this rich collection we host virtual story times for families with children three to eight years old as well as class visits. Find the current schedule at millerlibrary.org. Parents and guardians may register to borrow books for our youngest visitors. Topics include:

- Bees and beekeeping
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These are our best resources for community, family and school gardening and nature education projects. Washington residents can borrow curriculum materials, design manuals, garden guides, and much more. We are actively developing this collection, which grew from a 2007 Northwest Horticultural Society grant. Topics include:

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Our youth collection area looks out over the Union Bay Natural Area, where birders and other naturalists flock to observe wildlife, from dragonflies to bald eagles. Borrow one of these field guides before your next nature walk (urban or otherwise) to help you recognize the diversity of life all around us.

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With so much on the web, it can be tricky finding reliable links to current information, especially for non-profits and small local organizations. Here are starting places for your research into school gardens, outdoor education, and home gardening with youth.

Alary, Laura. Illustrated by Andrea Blinick. **SUN IN MY TUMMY.** Toronto, Ontario, Canada: Pajama Press, 2022.

Readers learn how the sun fuels life on earth, from oat fields, to blueberry farms, and all the way to the breakfast table.

QK 882 .A52 2022

Alexander, Lori. Illustrated by Jenn Ely. **CACTUS QUEEN: MINERVA HOYT ESTABLISHES JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK.** New York: Calkins Creek, 2024.

This picture biography of Minerva Hoyt highlights her world-changing passion for desert plants and animals at a time when the Mohave Desert was commonly viewed as a lifeless wasteland.

QH 31 .H69 A 54 2024

Alexander, Lori. Illustrated by Rebecca Santo. **SEEDS OF DISCOVERY: HOW BARBARA MCCLINTOCK USED CORN AND CURIOSITY TO SOLVE A SCIENCE MYSTERY AND WIN A NOBEL PRIZE.** New York: Clarion, 2025.

This illustrated biography of botanist and genetic researcher Barbara McClintock honors her curiosity, diligence and determination.

QK 31 .M35 A54 2025

Allen, Judy; Humphries, Tudor. **ARE YOU A BEE?** New York: Kingfisher, 2000.

Even the youngest readers will savor the chance to imagine what it's like inside a beehive in this funny yet detailed account of life as a honeybee.

QL 568 .A55 2000

Allen, Judy; Humphries, Tudor. **ARE YOU A DRAGONFLY?** New York: Kingfisher, 2001.

Can you breathe water through the end of your tail? If so, you might be a dragonfly! Fascinating facts about dragonflies combine with larger-than-life illustrations that help readers imagine life as an insect.

QL 520 .A55 2001

Allen, Judy; Humphries, Tudor. **ARE YOU A BUTTERFLY?** New York: Kingfisher, 2000.

Full of facts about the butterfly life cycle, this lively little book strikes a delicate balance, keeping young readers engaged while using scientific vocabulary.

QL 544.2 .A55 2000

Allen, Judy; Humphries, Tudor. **ARE YOU A LADYBUG?** New York: Kingfisher, 2000.

"Are you a ladybug? If you are, your parents look like this, and they eat aphids." So begins this funny and well-illustrated account of the ladybug life cycle.

QL 467.2 .A55 2000

Allen, Judy; Humphries, Tudor. **ARE YOU A SPIDER?** New York: Kingfisher, 2000.

This series helps children identify with bugs as they compare and contrast the basic biology of an orb-weaving spider, for example, with the contours of human life.

QL 452.2 .A55 2000

Allen, Judy; Humphries, Tudor. **ARE YOU A GRASSHOPPER?** New York: Kingfisher, 2002.

Lush illustrations and direct, engaging text help young children understand a grasshopper's life cycle.

QL 452.2 .A55 2002

Amsel, Sheri. **A WETLAND WALK**. Brookfield, CT: Millbrook Press, 1993.

Rhyming text and lifelike illustrations depict a day's journey into a wetland. Close encounters with marsh plants and animals will delight young readers.

QH 541.5 .M3 A67 1993

Ancona, George. **IT'S OUR GARDEN.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2013.

Photo illustrations and clear text reveal how the community cares for a school garden in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Children, teachers, and volunteers choose flowers, fruits, and vegetables to grow, care for the compost pile, learn about insects and snakes, make leaf prints, gather to play and hear music, maintain the outdoor oven, and make pizza to celebrate the harvest.

SB 457 .A63 2013

Ardley, Neil. **THE SCIENCE BOOK OF THINGS THAT GROW.** San Diego: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1991.

Well-illustrated projects with clear instructions spark a child's interest in plant growth.

QK 711.5 .A73 1991

Arnold, Katya; Swope, Sam. **KATYA'S BOOK OF MUSHROOMS**. New York: Holt, 1997.

Lavish woodcuts enliven the pages of this fact-filled treasure. The author's enthusiasm about mushrooms is contagious. She shares information children can apply as they seek out mushrooms and toadstools wherever they may wander, from the deep woods to the city sidewalks.

SB 353 .A76 1997

Arnosky, Jim. **CRINKLEROOT'S GUIDE TO KNOWING THE TREES**. New York: Bradbury Press, 1992.

The young reader couldn't find a better guide to the forest than a happy elf-like character named Crinkleroot, who presents an introduction to trees through story, text, and delightful color pictures.

SB 435 .A76 1992

Aston, Dianna Hutts. Illustrated by Sylvia Long. **A BEETLE IS SHY.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2016.

Among other delights, this colorful book shows each stage of development for the convergent lady beetle, commonly known as a ladybug.

QL 576.2 .A78 2016

Aston, Dianna Hutts. Illustrated by Sylvia Long. **A BUTTERFLY IS PATIENT.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2011.

Another wonderful picture book from the Aston/Long team, this one describes butterflies in all their glory.

QL 544.2 .A78 2011

Aston, Dianna Hutts. Illustrated by Sylvia Long. **AN EGG IS QUIET.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2006.

This gorgeous celebration of eggs (from ladybug to ostrich) has the rare ability to be just as breathtaking from across the room as it is from one's own lap. Read it!

QL 49 .A78 2006

Aston, Dianna Hutts. Illustrated by Sylvia Long. **A NEST IS NOISY.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2015.

Captivating art and informative text make this introduction to nests a reading experience to remember.

QL 49 .A78 2015

Aston, Dianna Hutts. Illustrated by Julie Maren. **AN ORANGE IN JANUARY.** New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 2007.

Rhythmic text and big, bold paintings make another great read-aloud from Dianna Hutts Aston. Text highlights all the people who help bring oranges to market.

SB 370 .O7 A78 2007

Aston, Dianna Hutts. Illustrated by Sylvia Long. **A SEED IS SLEEPY.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2007.

With the same format as AN EGG IS QUIET, this eye-catching picture book begs to be read aloud. Each two-page spread details one basic attribute of seeds in a playful and memorable way. For instance, "A seed is adventurous. It must strike out on its own, in search of a less crowded place to put down roots."

QK 661 .A78 2007

Back, Christine. **BEAN AND PLANT**. Morristown, NJ: Silver Burdett, 1986.

Follows the development of a bean plant from the emergence of the first tiny shoot to the appearance of flowers and bean pods.

QK 711.5 .B23 1986

Baker, Chris. Illustrated by Andrea Finkeldey. **ON A MUSHROOM DAY.** Toronto: Tundra Books, 2024.

Depicting mycelium as well as the fruiting bodies of mushrooms, this luminous picture book takes readers into the forest where (with a little luck) they will spot interesting fungi.

SB 353 .B25 2024

Baker, Nick. **BUG ZOO.** London: DK, 2010.

Kids who love bugs will appreciate this fully illustrated guide to creating a bug zoo at home, including habitat information and basic biology for dragonflies, crickets, spiders, worms, and many more.

QL 465 .B25 2010

Baliga, Vikram. Illustrated by Brian Lambert. **PLANTS TO THE RESCUE!** New York: Neon Squid for St. Martin's Press, 2023.

Readers of this illustrated book can learn how people can benefit from plants, from forest bathing to using aloe vera gel to treat a sunburn.

QH 48 .B25 2023

Balouch, Kristen. **ONE MILLION TREES: A TRUE STORY.** New York: Holiday House, 2022.

When a young girl and her family go on a tree-planting trip to Vancouver, BC, she works on her math skills, her French language skills, and her knowledge of forests and forestry.

SB 435 .B25 2022

Bang, Molly; Chisolm, Molly. **LIVING SUNLIGHT: HOW PLANTS BRING THE EARTH TO LIFE.** New York: Blue Sky Press, 2009.

Glowing gold and deep blue enliven the beautiful illustrations for this unique book about photosynthesis.

QK 882 .B2 2009

Barman, Adrienne. **PLANTOPEDIA: A CELEBRATION OF NATURE'S GREATEST SHOW-OFFS**. London: Quarto, 2018.

First published in Switzerland, this hefty book has illustrations reminiscent of a full-color graphic novel, with many quirky categories of plants presented.

QK 50 .B27 2018

Barnard Booth, Leslie. Illustrated by Alexandra Finkeldey. **I AM WE: HOW CROWS COME TOGETHER TO SURVIVE.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2025.

Combining spooky illustrations and a cozy theme of survival through shared social responsibility, this book is unique and powerful.

QL696.P2367 B37 2024

Barnard Booth, Leslie. Illustrated by Stephanie Fizer Coleman. **ONE DAY THIS TREE WILL FALL.** New York: Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2024.

Aimed at ages 6-9, this picture book set in the Pacific Northwest explains how an old tree supports life even after it has fallen to the forest floor.

QH 541.5 .F6 B37 2024

Barretta, Gene. Illustrated by Frank Morrison. **THE SECRET GARDEN OF GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER.** New York, NY: HarperCollins, 2020.

This picture biography of the great Black scientist describes the injustice and hardship in his life along with his important work and his steadfast credo: "Regard Nature. Revere Nature. Respect Nature."

S 519 .C3 B37 2020

Bartiková, Petra. Illustrated by Marcel Králik. **DISCOVERING THE WORLD OF NATURE ALONG THE RIVERBANK.** Mountjoy, PA: Happy Fox Books, 2021.

Readers will see coots, beavers, crayfish, cormorants, grebes, bears and other familiar animals who spend time in rivers.

Field Guide

Barton, Bethany. **GIVE BEES A CHANCE.** New York: Penguin Young Readers, 2017.

Edgar doesn't like bees until he learns they are more than just stinging machines: we all need bees, and everyone can help the bee population.

QL 568 .A6 B37 2017

Bash, Barbara. **ANCIENT ONES: THE WORLD OF THE OLD-GROWTH DOUGLAS FIR.** San Francisco: Sierra Club Books for Children, 1994.

Vivid paintings explore life in the Pacific Northwest's old-growth forests, from flying squirrels all the way down to nematode worms and velvet mites.

QH 541.5 .F6 B27 1994

Bash, Barbara. **URBAN ROOSTS: WHERE BIRDS NEST IN THE CITY.** New York: Little, Brown & Company, 1990.

Fascinating text and glowing illustrations give insight into the nesting habits of pigeons, sparrows, wrens, owls, falcons, and other birds that have adapted to city life.

QL 681 .B27 1990

Bass, Jennifer Vogel. **EDIBLE COLORS.** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2014.

"It's rainbow of edible colors!" Young children might be surprised to see white pumpkins, yellow wax beans or purple peppers. Offbeat vegetables like these appear in this well-designed book, along with the more familiar orange pumpkins, green beans, and purple cabbage.

QH 48 .B27 2014

Basu, Priyadarshini Chakrabarti. Illustrated by Astrid Weguelin. **HONEY BEE: A FIRST FIELD GUIDE TO THE WORLD'S FAVORITE POLLINATING INSECT.** New York: Neon Squid, 2023.

Aimed at readers in elementary grades, this picture book teems with interesting facts about the waggle dance, bee vision, human-made and natural hives, and much more.

QL 568 .A6 B27 2023

Becker, Aaron. **YOU ARE LIGHT**. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Studio, 2019.

Translucent panels resemble stained glass in this appealing and unique board book. It is an ideal first introduction to photosynthesis and a good precursor to Robert E. Wells' WHY DO ELEPHANTS NEED THE SUN? and Molly Bang's LIVING SUNLIGHT: HOW PLANTS BRING THE EARTH TO LIFE.

Board Book

Beil, Karen Magnuson. **WHAT LINNAEUS SAW: A SCIENTIST'S QUEST TO NAME EVERY LIVING THING.** New York: Norton, 2019.

Written for age 10 and up, this engaging biography includes botanical art, journal entries by Linnaeus, and maps. Of interest to all ages, it is available in the tall shelves of our general collection.

Tall Shelves QK 31 .L56 B45 2019

Berkes, Marianne. Illustrated by Cris Arbo. **WHAT'S IN THE GARDEN?** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications.

Easy recipes and big bright pictures help kids identify and enjoy garden vegetables and fruits, showing how they look growing in the garden on one page, and how they can be prepared in the kitchen on the following page.

SB 324 .B47 2013

Berne, Jennifer. Illustrated by Becca Stadtlander. **ON WINGS OF WORDS: THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE OF EMILY DICKINSON.** San Francisco: Chronicle, 2020.

"My heart grows light so fast that I could mount a grasshopper and gallop around the world, and not fatigue him any!" This picture biography of Emily Dickinson highlights the joyous freedom the poet found in nature, especially in dark times.

SB 455.5 .D53 B47 2020

Bernhard, D. Yael. **THE LIFE OF AN OLIVE.** New York: Helio Tween, 2016.

In the northern part of what is now Israel, an olive tree's long life begins in the year 70 CE. It is still producing olives in 2016, when this book ends!

SB 367 .B47 2016

Bestor, Sheri Mabry. Illustrated by Jonny Lambert. **GOOD TRICK, WALKING STICK!** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear, 2016.

Walking sticks are fascinating, and this vibrantly illustrated picture book shows their entire life cycle, highlighting the clever ways they have evolved to survive.

QL 509.5 .B47 2016

Bestor, Sheri Mabry. Illustrated by Jonny Lambert. **SOAR HIGH, DRAGONFLY!** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear, 2019.

Vibrant collage illustrations take readers to a pond to observe a dragonfly's phases of development, both underwater and in the air.

QL 520 .B47 2019

Bial, Raymond. **A HANDFUL OF DIRT.** New York: Walker & Company, 2000.

What is soil? Is it just dirt? How does it feed plants and support animal life? Bright illustrations and vivid text bring this subject home for school-age children.

S 591 .B53 2000

Bial, Raymond. **THE SUPER SOYBEAN**. Morton Grove, IL: Albert Whitman & Company, 2007.

A fascinating exploration of the humble soybean's history, cultivation (conventional and organic), and uses, this book shines for any kid with an interest in farming, science, or inventions.

SB 351 .S69 B53 2007

Bishop, Nic. **FOREST EXPLORER: A LIFE-SIZE FIELD GUIDE**. New York: Scholastic, 2004.

Wow! Big photos help young naturalists identify forest animals and bugs, while clear text gives information about each creature's life cycle.

QH 541.5 .F6 B57 2004

Bleifeld, Maurice. **BOTANY PROJECTS FOR YOUNG SCIENTISTS.** New York: F. Watts, 1992.

A science teacher wrote this book of projects, and his experience shows. The text uses correct and clear terminology along with diagrams for visual learners.

QH 55 .B54 1992

Bockol, Leslie. Illustrated by Jillian Phillips. **IN THE GARDEN**. Norwalk, CT: Innovative, 2009.

Simple text describes the colors of fruits and vegetables and whether they grow underground, on a vine, bush, or stalk.

Board Book

Bockol, Leslie. Illustrated by Jillian Phillips. **ONE TREE**. Norwalk, CT: Innovative, 2009.
Colorful illustrations show how many lives depend on one tree.
Board Book

Boddy, Lynne. Illustrated by Wenjia Tang. **HUMONGOUS FUNGUS.** New York: DK, 2021.
Vibrant, colorful pages present the marvels of the fungal kingdom, with text suitable for elementary school students.
SB 353 .B63 2021

Bolden, Tonya. **NO SMALL POTATOES: JUNIUS G. GROVES AND HIS KINGDOM IN KANSAS.** New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2018.
This picture biography of one of the "Exodusters" chronicles the hard-working rise of Junius G. Groves out of enslavement, through paid farm work, and into big business as a potato farmer caring for 500 acres of productive land.
S 519 .B65 2018

Bolton, Vivienne. **GET CRAFTY: NATURE**. Bath, UK: Dempsey Parr, 2000.
Clearly illustrated with big photos, this book offers creative craft ideas for young gardeners, including making ink from oak galls, building twig doll furniture, and drying flowers.
SB 449.48 .B65 2000

Bourgoing, Pascale de. Illustrated by Sylvie Perols. **THE LADYBUG AND OTHER INSECTS: A FIRST DISCOVERY BOOK.** New York: Scholastic, 1991.
Fresh, bold pictures and clear text give children a close look at ladybugs in all their life stages, as well as a glance at other types of insects, including other beetles, grasshoppers, aphids, and ants.
QL 467.2 .B68 1989

Bourgoing, Pascale de. Illustrated by René Mettler. **THE EGG: A FIRST DISCOVERY BOOK.** New York: Scholastic, 1992.
Birds' eggs are featured here, along with eggs of fish, amphibians, insects, and snakes. Transparent overlay pages let readers peek into a chicken egg as the chick develops.
QL49 .B68 1989

Bourgoing, Pascale de. Illustrated by Christian Broutin. **THE TREE: A FIRST DISCOVERY BOOK.** New York: Scholastic, 1989.
This sturdy small-format book is just the right size for little hands. Transparent overlay pages let us look inside a chestnut tree to see how it grows from a seed, develops, supports wildlife, flowers, and eventually makes seeds.
SB436.8 .B68 1989

Bradbury, Jennifer. Illustrated by Sam Boughton. **ROCK BY ROCK: THE FANTASTICAL GARDEN OF NEK CHAND.** New York: Atheneum, 2021.
Nek Chand created an amazing sculpture garden in Chandigarh, India, and he started by collecting broken bangles, old tires, scraps of cloth, and rocks. Burlington, Washington author Jennifer Bradbury's colorful picture book, inspired by his life, includes photos of Nek and his work.
SB 470 .C42 B72 2021

Brainerd, Debbi. **THE TREE THAT CAME HOME: AN ISLANDWOOD STORY INSPIRED BY THE TRUE STORY OF A 92-FOOT BEAM THAT RETURNED TO BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WASHINGTON.** Bainbridge Island: IslandWood, 2008.

Written by the founder of IslandWood, a nature education "school in the woods," this is the centuries-long history of a particular tree which grew and was cut for building in what is now Washington State. The quick reference guide to Pacific Northwest conifers at the back is especially useful.

QH 541.5 .F6 B72 2008

Brenner, Barbara. Illustrated by Tom Leonard. **ONE SMALL PLACE IN A TREE.** New York: HarperCollins, 2004.

Who needs a hole in a tree? The answer, observed by a child in this book, is more complex than you might think. Beetles, woodpeckers, bluebirds, squirrels, and salamanders are among those who rely on a small tree cavity.

QH 541.5 .F6 B69 2004

Brisson, Pat. Illustrated by Mary Azarian. **BEFORE WE EAT: FROM FARM TO TABLE.** Thomaston, ME: Tilbury House, 2014.

"As we sit around this table/let's give thanks as we are able/to all the folks we'll never meet/who help provide this food we eat." So begins this call to gratitude for all the labor that goes into the food system.

S 519 .B75 2014

Brockenbrough, Martha. Illustrated by Juana Martinez-Neal. **A GIFT OF DUST: HOW SAHARAN PLUMES FEED THE PLANET.** New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2025.

This picture book follows the journey of Saharan dust from Africa around the world, bringing nutrients from former lake beds to the Amazon rain forest.

QC 981.3 .B76 2025

Brooks, Felicity. **PROTECTING TREES & FORESTS**. Tulsa, OK: EDC Publishing, 1992.

Complex information comes across simply and effectively. Using surprising facts ("One edition of a daily newspaper uses wood from 5,000 trees"), the author raises the reader's awareness of some issues surrounding forests and viable solutions.

QH 541.5 .F6 B76 1992

Brown, Carron. Illustrated by Alyssa Nassner. **SECRETS OF THE APPLE TREE.** Tulsa, OK: Kane Miller, 2013.

Each two-page spread teaches how apples grow in question-and-answer fashion, offering bold illustrations and intriguing facts.

SB 363 .B76 2013

Brown, Carron. Illustrated by Alyssa Nassner. **SECRETS OF THE RAIN FOREST.** Tulsa, OK: Kane Miller, 2014.

Rain forest dwellers featured in this Shine-a-Light book include sloths, leafcutter ants, beetles, and a river dolphin.

QH 541.5 .F6 B76 2014

Brown, Carron. Illustrated by Giordano Poloni. **SECRETS OF THE VEGETABLE GARDEN.** Tulsa, OK: Kane Miller, 2016.

Unique design makes this book from the Shine-a-Light series fun for all. High-contrast black and white illustrations show through when readers hold pages to the light, adding seeds, pollen, animals, vegetables, and other details to the picture.

SB 324 .B76 2016

Brown, Carron. Illustrated by Georgina Tee. **SECRETS OF WINTER.** Tulsa, OK: Kane Miller, 2015.

In this clever wintry book, readers can shine a light through the pages to reveal hidden animals such as a hibernating bear family, a camouflaged weasel, and a bee buried in leaves.

QL 49 .B76 2016

Bryant, Megan E. Illustrated by Paul E. Nunn. Based on characters created by Judith Hope Blau. **TREETURES: WELCOME SPRING!** New York: Grosset & Dunlap, 2008.

Cuddly animal characters bring xylem and phloem to kids at the elementary school level. Experiments and activities are included.

SB 436.8 .B79 2008

Buchmann, Stephen L.; Cohn, Diana. Illustrated by Paul Mirocha. **THE BEE TREE.** El Paso, TX: Cinco Puntos Press, 2007.

In this story of traditional Malaysian honey-gathering, readers will feel the characters' reverence for the forest and all living things.

QL 568 .B83 2007

Buczacki, Stefan; Buczacki, Beverley. **YOUNG GARDENER**. London: Frances Lincoln, 2006.

This is truly one-of-a-kind: a hardcover, illustrated gardening book aimed at kids themselves, not their parents, and written to appeal across the gender spectrum. Arranged by season.

SB 457 .B89 2006

Bulpitt, Corey; Johnny Jr., Maynard; Joseph, Erica; Dangeli, Mike; Amos, Darrel; Cranmer, Ryan; Reid "Nusi", Ian; LaFortune, Doug. **LEARN THE COLOURS WITH NORTHWEST COAST NATIVE ART.** Vancouver, BC: Native Northwest, 2022.

This board book featuring Indigenous lineform art includes red salmon, a grey whale, a brown bear, an orange sun, and more.

Board Book

Burgess, Matthew. Illustrated by Kris Di Giacomo. **ENORMOUS SMALLNESS: A STORY OF E.E. CUMMINGS.** New York: Enchanted Lion Books, 2015.

This picture biography of the famous poet emphasizes the landscapes and outdoor experiences that inspired his work.

SB 455.5 .C86 B87 2015

Burke, Zoe. Illustrated by Molly Hashimoto. **MOLLY HASHIMOTO'S BIRDS!** Portland, OR: Pomegranate Kids, 2018.

Colorful illustrations take readers through the seasons, highlighting often-seen Northwest birds.

Board Book

Burke, Zoe. Illustrated by Molly Hashimoto. **MOLLY HASHIMOTO'S TREES!** Portland, OR: Pomegranate Kids, 2019.

Rhyming text and high-contrast block print illustrations keep young readers and listeners spellbound in this companion volume to MOLLY HASHIMOTO'S BIRDS.

Board Book

Burleigh, Robert. Illustrated by Wendell Minor. **INTO THE WOODS: JOHN JAMES AUDUBON LIVES HIS DREAM.** New York: Atheneum, 2003.

The author intersperses passages from John James Audubon's journals with rhyming text and colorful paintings in this beautiful book.

QL 31 .A9 B87 2003

Burleigh, Robert. Illustrated by Wendell Minor. **IF YOU SPENT A DAY WITH THOREAU AT WALDEN POND.** New York: Henry Holt, 2012.

What would it be like for a child to spend the day with Thoreau at Walden Pond? This book highlights Thoreau's enjoyment of the simple life.

SB 455.5 .T46 B87 2012

Burnie, David. **BIRD**. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1988.

Kids will relish the chance to get up close and personal with birds and their nests in this gorgeous book from the Eyewitness series.

QL 681 .B92 1988

Burnie, David. **FLOWERS**. New York: Dorling Kindersley, 1992.

Bright photographs and illustrations portray various aspects of botany such as parts of plants, life processes, and ecosystems.

QK 49 .B92 1992

Burnie, David. **PLANT**. New York: Dorling Kindersley, 2000.

Detailed photographs and text work together to explain how plants form seeds, make food, defend themselves, and adapt to challenging climates. The book also delves into human uses of plants and makes a great introduction to plant anatomy.

QH 48 .B87 2000

Burnie, David. **TREE**. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1988.

Part of the beautifully photographed Eyewitness series, this comprehensive look at trees will appeal to children of all ages. Describes types of trees, how seeds germinate and grow, parts of a tree, tree reproduction, associated plants and animals, tree diseases, and more.

SB 436.8 .B87 1988

Burns, Loree Griffin. **CITIZEN SCIENTISTS: BE A PART OF SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY FROM YOUR OWN BACKYARD.** New York: Henry Holt, 2012.

Anyone can get involved in gathering data for ongoing scientific studies such as the Audubon Bird Count and FrogWatch USA. Just get out into a field, urban park, or your own backyard. You can put your nose to a monarch pupa or listen for raucous frog calls. You can tally woodpeckers or sweep the grass for ladybugs. This book, full of engaging photos and useful tips, will show you how.

QH 55 .B87 2012

Burns, Loree Griffin. Photographs by Ellen Harasimowicz. **YOU'RE INVITED TO A MOTH BALL: A NIGHTTIME INSECT CELEBRATION.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2020.

Did you know July is National Moth Month in the United States? People of all ages will enjoy learning more about moths in this young person's guide to attracting and studying them.

QL 544.2 .B87 2020

Burris, Judy; Richards, Wayne. **THE SECRET LIVES OF BACKYARD BUGS**. North Adams, MA: Story, 2011.

The photos in this 127-page guide to insects and spiders will help kids identify bugs and learn more about their life cycles.

QL 467.2 .B87 2011

Busch, Phyllis S. Illustrated by Megan Halsey. **NATURE PROJECTS FOR EVERY SEASON: AUTUMN.** New York: Benchmark Books, 2000.

This fun guide to indoor and outdoor nature projects for autumn will appeal to third through seventh graders with an interest in birds, insects, and plants.

SB 449.48 .B87 2000

Butterfield, Moira. Illustrated by Tim Hutchinson. **HOW ANIMALS BUILD.** London: Lonely Planet Kids, 2017.

How do animals build their homes? From beavers and bunnies to termites and weaverbirds, this lift-the-flap book shows how animals carve out space for themselves in the world.

QL 49 .B88 2017

Cabrera, Cozbi A. **MY HAIR IS A GARDEN.** Chicago: Albert Whitman & Company, 2018.

As the author of this story points out, "everything responds to care," whether it's a young tree, a garden, or a head of tightly curled hair. Recipes for an herbal rinse and moisturizing butter are included in the back.

SB 455 .C23 2018

Campbell, Sarah C. Cambell, Richard P. **MYSTERIOUS PATTERNS: FINDING FRACTALS IN NATURE.** Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills, 2014.

Stunning photographs of ferns, Queen Anne's lace flowers, broccoli, and other fractals in nature encourage readers to look for repeating patterns. An afterword summarizes Benoit Mandelbrot's life and research.

QK 50 .C26 2014

Canizares, Susan. **SPIDER NAMES.** New York: Scholastic, 1998.

Color photos allow preschoolers to compare the crab spider with a crab, the wolf spider with a wolf, the violin spider with a violin, and the wheel spider with a wheel.

QL 452.2 .C26 1998

Capon, Brian. **PLANT SURVIVAL: ADAPTING TO A HOSTILE WORLD**. Portland, OR: Timber Press, 1994.

Written and illustrated for junior high or high school students, this book takes a close look at some fascinating plants from many different biomes, explaining clearly how these plants survive where they do. It covers plants as diverse as red algae, maple trees, and saguaro cacti, yet it is compact and readable. Perfect for inquisitive minds of all ages.

QK 912 .C36 1994

Carbone, Elisa. Illustrated by Jen Hill. **DIANA'S WHITE HOUSE GARDEN**. New York: Viking, 2016.

Diana Hopkins is an unlikely war hero: slight and mischievous, she comes across as an average kid who just happens to live at the White House while her father is working as an adviser to FDR. Everything changes when she gets the chance to help establish a Victory Garden on the South Lawn.

SB 466 .U7 W45 2016

Carlisle, Emma. **WHAT DO YOU SEE WHEN YOU LOOK AT A TREE?** London: Big Picture Press, 2022.

This lyrical introduction to the wonders of trees combines science and art appealingly.

SB 436.8 .C27 2022

Carter, Emily (illustrator); Goulson, Dave (author). **INSECTARIUM**. Somerville, MA: Big Picture Press, 2025.

Readers can get up close to insects in this lavishly illustrated book from the Welcome to the Museum series.

Oversize QL 467 .G68 2025

Cate, Annette LeBlanc. **LOOK UP! BIRD-WATCHING IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2013.

This is a conversational, humorous introduction to birdwatching. Quirky full-color illustrations portray dozens of birds chatting about their distinctive characteristics, including color, shape, plumage, and beak and foot types.

QL 681 .C28 2013

Chang, Rosa. **MY INDIGO WORLD: A TRUE STORY OF THE COLOR BLUE.** New York: MinieditionUS, 2023.

Rosa's love for the color blue leads her on an exploration of indigo dye techniques, sharing seeds and traditions from her native Korea with friends and family in Baltimore. Includes dye recipes.

QK 98.2 .C42 C42 2023

Cherry, Lynne. **THE SEA, THE STORM, AND THE MANGROVE TANGLE.** New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2004.

This lovingly illustrated picture book describes how mangrove islands provide habitat for birds and animals and protect against hurricane damage.

QH 541.5 .M3 C44 2004

Chin, Jason. **REDWOODS.** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2009.

The text of this book consists of interesting facts about redwoods that the boy in the bold and increasingly fantastical illustrations is reading from his own book. The result is a beautiful blend of fiction and fact.

QH 541.5 .F6 C45 2009

Cleary, Brian P. Illustrated by Martin Goneau. **SALAMANDER, FROG, AND POLLIWOG.** Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2013.

Instructors in the Washington Park Arboretum's outdoor education programs use this playful book.

QL 644.2 .C58 2013

Clendenan, Megan. Illustrated by Brittany Cicchese. **JUST IN CASE: SAVING SEEDS IN THE SVALBARD GLOBAL SEED VAULT.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2025.

How was the Svalbard Global Seed Vault built? What is its purpose? This picture book shares the story of this underground seed bank.

SB 118.38 .C54 2025

Cole, Henry. **MIGHTY: THE STORY OF AN OAK TREE ECOSYSTEM.** Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2025.

A mighty oak is home to flycatchers, nuthatches, screech-owls, raccoons, wood ducks, and other wildlife, as well as being an important landmark in a small town.

QH 48 .C65 2025

COLORS: SEE! LEARN! GROW! New York: Play Bac Publishing, 2007.

In the same series as **SEASONS: CHANGE IN THE NATURAL WORLD**, this photo-illustrated book of colors is bright and appealing.

QH 48 .P52 2007

Codell, Esmé Raji. Illustrations by Lynne Rae Perkins. **SEED BY SEED: THE LEGEND AND LEGACY OF JOHN "APPLESEED" CHAPMAN.** New York: Greenwillow Books, 2012.

This charming illustrated biography of Johnny Appleseed takes us time-traveling as we learn about one man's simple yet revolutionary life.

SB 363 .C63 2012

Cone, Molly. **COME BACK, SALMON: HOW A GROUP OF DEDICATED KIDS ADOPTED PIGEON CREEK AND BROUGHT IT BACK TO LIFE.** San Francisco: Sierra Club, 1991.

A local story of salmon habitat recovery, this picture book gives detailed information about a successful stream restoration project at Jackson Elementary School in Everett, Washington.

QH 541.5 .M3 C66 1991

Cone, Molly. **SQUISHY, MISTY, DAMP & MUDDY: THE IN-BETWEEN WORLD OF WETLANDS.** San Francisco: Sierra Club Books for Children, 1996.

"Wetlands are for everyone," proclaims this beautifully illustrated book. In the text, Molly Cone explains the importance of wetlands as habitats as well as their role in flood prevention and watershed protection.

QH 541.5 .M3 C66 1996

Cooke, Joanna. Illustrated by Fiona Hsieh. **THE SEQUOIA LIVES ON.** Yosemite National Park: Yosemite Conservancy, 2018.

Did you know a sequoia takes two human lifetimes just to get big enough to make cones? A single tree can live thirty human lifetimes. Many wonders of the largest trees on earth are on display in this beautifully illustrated book.

SB 414 .T3 C66 2018

Coombs, Kate. Art by Seth Lucas. **GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER LOVED PLANTS.** Layton, UT: Gibbs Smith, 2021.

From the Little Naturalists series, this board book presents the life and legacy of the famous scientist, who was also a skilled inventor and teacher.

Board Book

Cox, Rosamund C.; Cork, Barbara; Thomson, Ruth. **USBORNE FIRST BOOK OF NATURE**. London: Usborne Publishing LTD, 1980.

Beautifully colored and detailed drawings illustrate how seeds leave a plant, life on a tree, why flowers need visitors, and more. The most comprehensive title for elementary age children in this outstanding nature series, with information on trees, flowers, butterflies, and moths.

QH 541.14 .C69 1980 (see also **TREES,** by Ruth Thomson, and **FLOWERS,** below)

Cox, Rosamund; Cork, Barbara. **FLOWERS**. Tulsa, OK: EDC Publishing, 1980.

This excerpt from the **Usborne First Book of Nature** describes different flower types and how they work to make seeds. The colorful pictures make flower anatomy fun to learn.

QH 541.14 .C69 1980b

Crausaz, Anne. **SEASONS**. Tulsa, OK: Kane Miller, 2011.

Translated from the French, this vibrantly illustrated picture book explains how we use our five senses to explore the four seasons.

QC 981.3 .C72 2011

Crespo, Ana. Illustrated by Dow Phumiruk. **HELLO, TREE.** New York: Little Brown and Company, 2021.

Inspired by the Black Forest wildfire in Colorado, this picture book tells a story of destruction and regrowth from a surviving tree's perspective.

QH 541.5 .F6 .C74 2021

Curtis, Mary I. **STORIES IN TREES.** Chicago: Lyons and Carnahan, 1925.

Drawing from folklore of many times and places, this illustrated classic also touches on forest ecology and economic botany. Find it in the tall shelves due to its fragile binding.

Tall Shelves SB 456 .C87 1925

Cyrus, Kurt. Illustrated by Andy Atkins. **SAGUARO'S GIFTS.** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear, 2021.

Hummingbird, butterfly, dove, coyote, rabbit, tortoise, bobcat, bat, and other animals visit a 100-year-old saguaro, enjoying its shade, nectar, and fruit.

QK 495 .C11 C87 2021

Daemicke, Songju Ma. Illustrated by Lin. **GRACE LEE BOGGS: GARDENS OF HOPE.** Chicago: Albert Whitman & Company, 2025.

Grace Lee Boggs was a Detroit organizer who helped to create a network of community gardens to foster environmental stewardship, community leadership, and human rights. This picture book tells her story.

S 519 .B64 D24 2025

Damon, Laura. **WONDERS OF PLANTS AND FLOWERS**. Mahwah, NJ: Troll Associates, 1990.

A short paperback for the younger reader which colorfully introduces the world of plants in bold, half-page illustrations and text.

QK 49 .D34 1990

Davies, Jacqueline. Illustrated by Melissa Sweet. **THE BOY WHO DREW BIRDS.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2003.

Captivating text and lavish illustrations draw readers in to find out how John James Audubon got his start. Did you know that as a teenager, he destroyed all his drawings annually (on his birthday!) to make room for more sketches? As the book explains, "He hoped some day he would make drawings worth keeping." Read all about this pioneering scientist and artist in THE BOY WHO DREW BIRDS.

QL 31 .A9 D28 2003

Davies, Nicola. Illustrated by Emily Sutton. **TINY CREATURES: THE WORLD OF MICROBES.**

Microbes are all around us. We often hear about those that cause illness, but this book is about the beneficial microbes with important jobs like keeping us well, recycling scraps into soil, or making yogurt from milk.

QH 48 .D28 2014

Davis, Hasan. Illustrated by Alleanna Harris. **THE JOURNEY OF YORK: THE UNSUNG HERO OF THE LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION.** North Mankato, MN: Capstone, 2019.

This exceptional picture book celebrates York, the only enslaved member of the Lewis and Clark expedition, for his courage, skill, and contributions to the mission.

QK 31 .Y67 D28 2019

Davis, Wendy. **DOUGLAS FIR.** Danbury, CT: Children's Press, 1997.

The ecology of the Pacific Northwest's old growth Douglas fir forests is beautifully detailed in this illustrated book for beginning readers. Pictures of the animals that need this habitat take center stage.

QH 541.5 .F6 D28 1997

Dek, Maria. **A WALK IN THE FOREST.** New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 2017.

What could you find on a walk in the forest? According to this appealing book, "wonders...as countless as the trees."

QH 541.5 .D6 D45 2017

Detlefsen, Lisl H. Art by Renée Kurilla. **RIGHT THIS VERY MINUTE: A TABLE-TO-FARM BOOK ABOUT FOOD AND FARMING.** Washington, DC: Feeding Minds Press, 2019.

This picture book brings to light the work and knowledge that many people take for granted when we stop for groceries or fill our plates at mealtime: the science, effort and time of farmers who grow the food we eat.

S 519 .D48 2019

Dietl, Ulla. **THE PLANT-AND-GROW PROJECT BOOK.** New York: Sterling, 1993.

This classic illustrated book shows young people how to divide house plants, grow an eggplant or a start a date palm from seeds.

SB 457 .D54 1993

Dorros, Arthur. **A TREE IS GROWING**. New York: Scholastic Press, 1997.

Clear, detailed text and big, beautiful pictures explain the life cycle and importance of trees. The book fosters appreciation of trees while it teaches biology.

SB 436.8 .D67 1997

Doyle, Mycol. **KILLER PLANTS: THE VENUS FLYTRAP, STRANGLER FIG, AND OTHER PREDATORY PLANTS**. Los Angeles: Lowell House Juvenile, 1993.

Discover thirteen denizens of the plant world that either eat their prey or leech off other plants. Photographs fit for a coffee table book accompany text which children can read.

SB 425.5 .D69 1993

Drummond, Allan. **GREEN CITY: HOW ONE COMMUNITY SURVIVED A TORNADO AND REBUILT FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE**. New York: Frances Foster, 2016.

After a 2007 tornado, residents of Greensburg, Kansas decided to rebuild with environmental sustainability in mind. Designed for efficiency and boasting its own wind farm, this prairie town attracts forward-looking people.

QH 541.5 .C6 D78 2016

Dunning, Joan. **SEABIRD IN THE FOREST: THE MYSTERY OF THE MARBLED MURRELET.** Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills Press, 2011.

Where do marbled murrelets make their nests? The answer surprised scientists and will fascinate readers of this picture book set in a west coast forest.

QL 696 .C42 D76 2011

Dyer, Hadley. **POTATOES ON ROOFTOPS: FARMING IN THE CITY.** Buffalo, NY: Firefly, 2012.

This illustrated introduction to urban agriculture explains the reasons gardeners worldwide are growing their own food in the city, as well as some of the creative techniques they have developed.

S 494.5 .U72 D94 2012

Eclare, Melanie. **A HARVEST OF COLOR: GROWING A VEGETABLE GARDEN.** Brooklyn, NY: Ragged Bears, 2002.

Beautiful photographs and clear text in the children's own words will inspire children to plant their own vegetables. A gorgeous book!

SB 324 .E35 2002

Elworthy, Jo. Illustrations by Eleanor Taylor. **A LITTLE GUIDE TO GARDENING.** London: Random House, 2015.

Charming small illustrations and hand-lettered text cover what to grow in a child's garden, how and when to plant it, and how to tell garden insect friends from foes.

SB 457 .E59 2015

Engle, Margarita. Pictures by Julie Paschkis. **SUMMER BIRDS: THE BUTTERFLIES OF MARIA MERIAN.** New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2010.

This picture book introduces young readers to Maria Sibylla Merian, a scientist, artist, and explorer born in Frankfurt in 1647.

QK 98.2 .M47 2010

Evans, Christine. Illustrated by Yasmin Imamura. **EVELYN THE ADVENTUROUS ENTOMOLOGIST: THE TRUE STORY OF A WORLD-TRAVELING BUG HUNTER.** Seattle, WA: The Innovation Press, 2019.

This inspiring picture biography of the entomologist Evelyn Cheesman (1881-1969) includes a brief interview with modern-day entomologist Dr. Alexandra Harmon-Threatt.

QL 31 .C44 E82 2019

Evans, Lynette. Illustrated by Guy Troughton. **WHOSE EGG?** San Rafael, CA: Insight Editions, 2013.

What do alligators, emus, butterflies, penguins, and sea turtles have in common? That's right, they all hatch from eggs! This picture book gives readers a close-up view of the process.

QL 49 .E82 2013

Farley, Brianne. **WORM MAKES A SANDWICH.** New York: Putnam, 2025.

The worm in this picture book is keen to gather food scraps with his decomposer friends.

S 661.2 .E2 F27 2025

Farmer, Jacqueline. Illustrated by Phyllis Limbacher Tildes. **PUMPKINS.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2004.

Touching on the three sisters garden tradition, pumpkin carving, pumpkin-growing contests, and more, this picture book has much to offer.

SB 347 .F27 2004

Fell, Derek. **A KID'S FIRST BOOK OF GARDENING: GROWING PLANTS INDOORS AND OUT**. Philadelphia: Running Press, 1989.

Well-known garden writer Derek Fell has turned his attention to children and written an important and attractive book full of interesting facts and fun projects.

SB 457 .F45 1989

Ferry, Beth. Illustrated by A.N. Kang. **SQUIRREL'S FAMILY TREE.** New York: Orchard Books, 2019.

Readers can learn more about the mutually beneficial relationship between squirrels and oak trees in this autumnal book.

QL 737 .R68 F47 2019

Fleming, Denise. **UNDERGROUND**. New York: Beach Lane, 2012.

Pulp paintings and rhyming text spotlight the underground world of burrowing, tunneling, and digging animals. Includes "creature identification" pages.

QL 49 .F53 2012

Fleming, Maria. **HOW TO BUILD A HOME.** New York: Scholastic, 1997.

Fascinating photos and clear text describe how mice, beavers, cliff swallows, weaverbirds, paper wasps, termites, and leaf cutter ants construct their homes.

QL 49 .F54 1997

Flett, Julie. **WE ALL COUNT: A BOOK OF CREE NUMBERS.** Vancouver, BC: Native Northwest, 2021.

Burrowing owls, aunties, fireflies, and elk are just a few of the relatives (human and more than human) who share the world in this Cree counting book.

Board Book

Foote, Kristen. Illustrated by Erica Salcedo. **HOW TO SURVIVE AS A FIREFLY.** Seattle, WA: Innovation Press, 2017.

Firefly larvae learn what their future will hold from a cartoon firefly drill sergeant in this funny and informative book, which details the metamorphosis, anatomy, and bioluminescent ways of *Photinus pyralis*.

QL 596 .L28 .F66 2017

Foster, Jane. **JANE FOSTER'S LET'S GROW**. London: Templar, 2021.

Readers can rake soil, water the garden, find caterpillars, and make flowers bloom in this interactive board book.

Board Book

Frankenhuyzen, Robbyn Smith van. Illustrated by Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzen. **ADOPTED BY AN OWL.** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press, 2001.

This well-illustrated book tells the fascinating true story of a great horned owl and his rehabilitation by trained rescuers, with whom he develops a bond.

QL 696 .S83 F72 2001

Frost, Helen; Lieder, Rick. **STEP GENTLY OUT.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2012.

A single poem provides the text for this picture book, where close-up photos of insects and spiders glow.

QL 467.2 .F76 2012

Frost, Helen; Lieder, Rick. **SWEEP UP THE SUN.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2015.

Luminous photos of birds, identified at the end with descriptive information about each, provide a colorful backdrop for Helen Frost's poem about flight.

QL 681 .F76 2015

Galbraith, Kathryn. Illustrated by Wendy Anderson Halperin. **PLANTING THE WILD GARDEN.** Atlanta, GA: Peachtree Publishers, 2011.

Simple text and charming drawings cover the topic of seed dispersal in detail, while goldfinches, rabbits, raccoons, and squirrels enliven the pages of this book by a Tacoma, Washington author.

QK 661 .G25 2011

Ganeri, Anita. **PECULIAR PLANTS**. Chicago: Raintree, 2013.

From the biggest tree on earth to the giant water lilies of the Amazon, this easy-to-read book features unusual plants.

QH 48 .G26 2013

George, Kallie. Illustrated by Sara Gillingham. **MUSHROOMS KNOW: WISDOM FROM OUR FRIENDS THE FUNGI.** Vancouver, BC: Greystone, 2024.

This author-illustrator team from British Columbia use their creative talents to bring mushrooms to life for young people.

SB 353 .G46 2024

Gholz, Sophia M. Illustrated by Kayla Harren. **THE BOY WHO GREW A FOREST**. Ann Arbor, MI: 2019.

This is a glowingly illustrated biography of Jadav Payeng, who planted a 1,300-acre forest in the Brahmaputra River region of India.

SB 63 .P39 G46 2019

Gianferrari, Maria. Illustrated by Felicita Sala. **BE A TREE!** New York: Abrams, 2021.

Honored with a starred Kirkus review, this engaging picture book interweaves themes of human identity, growth, and cooperation with the science of tree growth and interdependence.

SB 436.8 .G52 2021

Gibbons, Gail. **FROM SEED TO PLANT.** New York: Holiday House, 1991.

Beginning readers will love the bright illustrations and clear text in this little book. A great read-aloud, it covers how seeds form, scatter, and grow. There is even a seed-sprouting project to try out.

QK 661 .G53 1991

Gibbons, Gail. **TELL ME, TREE: ALL ABOUT TREES FOR KIDS.** New York: Little, Brown, 2002.

Big, bold pictures and descriptive text introduce vocabulary and teach scientific concepts about trees, including photosynthesis, identification characteristics, and tree rings.

SB 435 .G53 2002

Gibson, Roberta. Illustrated by Anne Lambelet. **HOW TO BUILD AN INSECT.** Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2021.

Art and science combine in this picture book about building an insect model with head, thorax, abdomen, six legs, and spiracles for breathing.

QK 467.2 .G53 2021

Gilland, Åsa. **MY FIRST BOOK OF GROWING FOOD.** Baltimore, MD: Duopress, 2021.

Want to try growing mint, basil, peppers, and tomatoes with your preschooler? This board book keeps it simple and fun.

Board Book

Gilland, Åsa. **MY FIRST BOOK OF HOUSE PLANTS.** Baltimore, MD: Duopress, 2021.

This bright, welcoming board book teaches readers to recognize lucky bamboo, snake plant, peace lily, spider plant, and other common indoor plants.

Board Book

Glaser, Linda. Photography by Shelley Rotner. **GARBAGE HELPS OUR GARDEN GROW: A COMPOST STORY.** Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook Press, 2010.

Lively illustrations show kids working in the garden, adding to the compost pile, and learning how compost enriches the soil. The text is straightforward and informative.

S 661 .G52 2010

Glaser, Linda. Illustrated by Jaime Zollars. **NOT A BUZZ TO BE FOUND: INSECTS IN WINTER.** Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook Press, 2012.

Honeybees, dragonflies, ants, butterflies and other insects have their own strategies for surviving winter's chill. Learn more about them in this vividly illustrated book, which includes a three-page glossary filled with facts about the twelve featured insects.

QL 467.2 .G52 2012

Goldstein, Natalie. **REBUILDING PRAIRIES AND FORESTS**. Chicago: Children's Press, 1994.

Photos and engaging text highlight restoration and preservation efforts, from the rain forests to the Great Plains.

QH 541.14 .G65 1994

Goodman, Emily. Illustrated by Phyllis Limbacher Tildes. **PLANT SECRETS**. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2008.

Colorful illustrations and straightforward text detail how seeds grow into plants, and how plants flower and make fruit with seeds.

QK 49 .G63 2008

Gottesfeld, Jeff. Illustrated by Peter McCarty. **THE TREE IN THE COURTYARD: LOOKING THROUGH ANNE FRANK'S WINDOW**. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2016.

Presents Anne Frank's story through the lens of the horse chestnut tree outside the building where she wrote her famous diary. Monochromatic illustrations highlight the starkness of those years as well as the vitality of Anne and the tree. Seedlings and saplings propagated from the tree (which died 81 years after Anne's birth) have taken root around the world.

SB 451 .G68 2016

Gourley, Robbin. **BRING ME SOME APPLES AND I'LL MAKE YOU A PIE: A STORY ABOUT EDNA LEWIS.** New York: Clarion, 2010.

This lightly fictionalized and gorgeously illustrated picture book transports readers to a family farm in Freetown, Virginia, where famous chef Edna Lewis grew up.

S 519 .G68 2010

Gourley, Robbin. **FIRST GARDEN: THE WHITE HOUSE GARDEN AND HOW IT GREW.** Boston: Clarion, 2011.

After a brief description of some gardens of past US presidents, this beautifully illustrated book celebrates the Obama White House Garden and Michelle Obama's work to promote healthy eating.

SB 466 .U7 W45 2011

Gravel, Elise. **THE BAT**. Plattsburgh, NY: Tundra Books, 2016.

With more detailed information than some books with photo illustrations, this cartoon bat book is a winner.

QL 737 .C5 G72 2016

Gravel, Elise. **THE BUG CLUB.** Quebec: Drawn & Quarterly, 2022.

The author shares her passion for bugs in a humorous, engaging way.

QK 467.2 .G72 2022

Gravel, Elise. **THE MUSHROOM FAN CLUB.** Plattsburgh, NY: Tundra Books, 2014.

Full of amazing facts and amusingly anthropomorphized mushrooms, this winning book is an enchanting introduction to the turquoise elfcup, the whiskerly milkcap, the dewdrop dapperling, the cinnamon jellybaby, and other incredible fungi.

SB 353 .G72 2018

Gravel, Elise. **THE WORM.** Quebec: Drawn & Quarterly, 2018.

This cartoon worm has much to teach, including scientific vocabulary words such as invertebrate, habitat, photoreceptors, and hermaphrodite.

S 661.2 .E2 G72 2014

Greenaway, Theresa. **TREE LIFE** New York: Dorling Kindersley, 1992.

Like MEADOW and RIVER LIFE (by Kim Taylor), TREE LIFE allows kids to get up close and personal with wildlife. You will see beetles, butterflies, and birds in flight, as well as lizards, tree frogs, ants, and marmosets.

QL 49 .G74 1992

Greenbacker, Liz. **BUGS: STINGERS, SUCKERS, SWEETIES, SWINGERS.** New York: Franklin Watts, 1993.

Wasps, scale insects and aphids, bees, and spiders are all covered in this informative little book for early readers.

QL 467.2 .G75 1993

Greenlaw, Suzanne; Frey, Gabriel. Illustrated by Nancy Baker. **THE FIRST BLADE OF SWEETGRASS: A NATIVE AMERICAN STORY.** Thomaston, ME: Tilbury House, 2021.

Sustainable harvesting of sweetgrass is the subject of this picture book written by basket maker Gabriel Frey, of the Passamaquoddy Nation, and stewardship scholar Suzanne Greenlaw, of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians.

QK 98.6 .N7 G74 2021

Greenwood, Alison. Illustrated by Anneli Bray. **A LITTLE DOSE OF NATURE: OUTDOOR FUN TO HELP HAPPINESS BLOOM.** Beverly, MA: Ivy Kids/Quarto, 2023.

Written by a psychologist, this book for children guides outdoor explorations of sights, sounds, smells, and patterns, emphasizing the mental health benefits of time in nature.

QH 541.15 .H86 G74 2023

Griffin, Annabel. Illustrated by Tjarda Borsboom. **PLANT: EXPLORE THE EXTRAORDINARY WORLD OF PLANTS AND FLOWERS.** Truro, UK: Hungry Tomato, 2023.

This picture book introduces young readers to plants in their wondrous diversity, from saguaro cactus to waterlily and from arctic willow to tropical pitcher plant. It includes directions for making a moss terrarium in a jar, and touches on the many ways people and animals rely on plants.

QH 48 .G75 2023

Grigsby, Susan. Pictures by Nicole Tadgell. **IN THE GARDEN WITH DR. CARVER.** Chicago, IL: Albert Whitman & Company, 2010.

Luminous illustrations and engaging text introduce George Washington Carver's agricultural education methods.

S 519 .C3 G75 2010

Grindler, Sarah. **FOREST MAGIC.** Halifax, Nova Scotia: Nimbus, 2021.

The author grew up on Salt Spring Island, in British Columbia, and perhaps that's why her exquisite paintings of bigleaf maple, turkey tail fungus, skunk cabbage, pileated woodpecker, and other forest dwellers seem so close to home for readers in Seattle.

QH 541.5. F6 G75 2021

Guiberson, Brenda Z. Paintings by Gennady Spirin. **FROG SONG.** New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2012.

Readers can travel around the world between the covers of this book, meeting frogs from North, Central, and South America, Australia, Europe, Africa, and Asia, and celebrating the music they make.

QL 668 .G85 2012

Guiberson, Brenda Z. Paintings by Gennady Spirin. **LIFE IN THE BOREAL FOREST.** New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2009.

Readers will meet bears, hares, whooping cranes, and a lynx in this lyrical tale of the taiga by a Seattle author.

QH 541.5 .F6 G85 2009

Guilcher, J.M.; Noailles, R. H. **A TREE IS BORN.** New York: Sterling, 1960.

Black-and-white photos and text at an upper elementary or middle school level convey the anatomy and physiology of acorns, pine nuts, walnuts, and horse chestnuts.

SB 436.8 .G85 1960

Guillain, Charlotte. Illustrated by Helen Shoesmith. **AN INVITATION TO THE BOTANICAL GARDENS.** London, UK: Welbeck Editions in association with Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, 2024.

The botanic garden featured in this lush picture book offers wondrous surprises, from the crew collecting herbarium specimens to bees pollinating flowers in the waterlily house.

SB 464 .G85 2024

Hainnu, Rebecca; Ziegler, Anna. Illustrated by Qin Leng. **A WALK ON THE TUNDRA**.

Young people can learn the Inuktitut names and Inuit uses for tundra plants in this delightful book.

QK 98.6 .A4 H25 2018

Hall, Kirsten. Illustrated by Isabelle Arsenault. **THE HONEYBEE.** New York: Atheneum, 2017.

"Without honeybees, we'd be in trouble." That is the message of this beautifully illustrated and entertaining picture book, whose author was once a classroom teacher.

QL 568 .A6 H25 2017

Hanneman, Monika, et al. **GARDENING WITH CHILDREN.** Brooklyn, NY: Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 2007.

Despite the title, this lavishly illustrated activity book is written for kids, except for a few pages for parents and caregivers at the end.

SB 457 .H26 2007

Harrington, Janice N. Illustrated by Theodore Taylor III. **BUZZING WITH QUESTIONS: THE INQUISITIVE MIND OF CHARLES HENRY TURNER.** New York: Calkins Creek, 2019.

African American entomologist Charles Henry Turner (1867-1923) tirelessly asked questions and observed insects, looking for answers.

QL 31 .T87 H27 2019

Harrington, Janice N. Illustrated by Theodore Taylor III. **ROOTING FOR PLANTS: THE UNSTOPPABLE CHARLES S. PARKER, BLACK BOTANIST AND COLLECTOR.** New York: Calkins Creek, 2023.

Raised in the Spokane area, Black botanist and mycologist Charles Stewart Parker (1882-1950) collected specimens and taught botany, making important contributions in many herbarium collections and students' lives.

QK 31 .P27 H27 2023

Harris, Meena. Illustrated by Ana Ramírez González. **KAMALA AND MAYA'S BIG IDEA.** New York: Harper Collins, 2020.

When Kamala Harris and her sister Maya were young, they wished for a playground at their apartment complex. Bringing their idea to life took persistence and creativity, qualities championed in this picture book by Maya's daughter Meena.

SB 455 .H27 2020

Harrison, George H. **BACKYARD BIRD WATCHING FOR KIDS: HOW TO ATTRACT, FEED, AND PROVIDE HOMES FOR BIRDS.** Minocqua, MN: Willow Creek, 1997.

Beautifully illustrated and full of clever ideas for kids who want to create better bird habitat at home, this book shows what foods and houses different birds enjoy and gives plant lists.

QL 681 .H27 1997

Hartman, Gail. Illustrated by Harvey Stevenson. **AS THE CROW FLIES: A FIRST BOOK OF MAPS**. New York: Aladdin, 1993.

Easy-to-read text and engaging animal characters introduce the concept of maps in this picture book.

G 142 .H2 1993

Hawthorne, Lara. **THE NIGHT FLOWER**. Somerville, MA: Big Picture Press, 2019.

Rhyming text and striking illustrations evoke the Sonoran Desert in this excellent book about the saguaro cactus and the animals who share its sphere. The book won an Award of Excellence from the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries.

QK 495 .C11 H28 2019

Healy, Haley, with George Quocksister, Jr. Illustrated by Kimiko Fraser. **ELIZABETH QUOCKSISTER: KEEPER OF HISTORY.** Toronto, Ontario: Heritage House, 2024.

Part of the Trailblazing Canadians series, this picture book shares the life story of an Indigenous photographer from Tsawatti on the central coast of British Columbia. Elizabeth Quocksister lived from 1925 to 1981. Her surviving photographs can be seen in the Museum at Campbell River and through their web gallery.

QK 98.3 .Q86 H43 2024

Healy, Haley. Illustrated by Kimiko Fraser. **JENNIE BUTCHART: GARDENER OF DREAMS.** Toronto, Ontario: Heritage House, 2024.

This picture biography of Jennie Butchart explains the surprising beginnings of Butchart Gardens.

QK 98.3 .Q86 H43 2024

Heiligman, Deborah. Illustrated by Bari Weissman. **FROM CATERPILLAR TO BUTTERFLY.** New York: HarperCollins, 1996.

An elementary school class watches metamorphosis happen in this illustrated paperback from the Let's-Read-and-Find-Out science series.

QL 544 .H45 1996

Helbrough, Emma. **1001 BUGS TO SPOT.** London: Usborne, 2005.

Kids who love bugs and puzzles will spend hours with this colorful picture book, finding and counting them underground, in the desert, in the night, and in many other situations.

QL 467.2 .H45 2005

Helbrough, Emma. **HOW FLOWERS GROW.** London: Usborne, 2003.

Basic physiology of flowering plants comes across clearly and accurately in this well-illustrated book for beginning readers.

QK 49 .H45 2003

Heller, Ruth. **HOW TO HIDE A BUTTERFLY AND OTHER INSECTS**. New York: Grosset & Dunlap, 1985.

This small book provides a charming, vividly illustrated introduction to camouflage in the insect world.

QL 467.2 .H45 1985

Heller, Ruth. **PLANTS THAT NEVER EVER BLOOM**. New York: Grosset & Dunlap, 1984.

Brief rhyming text and illustrations present a variety of plants that do not flower but propagate by means of spores, seeds, and cones.

QK 49 .H45 1984

Heller, Ruth. **THE REASON FOR A FLOWER**. New York: Grosset & Dunlap, 1983.

The complement to **PLANTS THAT NEVER EVER BLOOM**. Bright, detailed illustrations keep the lesson lively for early readers. Younger children will enjoy hearing the rhyming text read aloud.

QK 49 .H45 1983

Heller, Ruth. **HOW TO HIDE A WHIP-POOR-WILL AND OTHER BIRDS**. New York: Grosset & Dunlap, 1986.

Ruth Heller's colorful, memorable illustrations show how birds use camouflage in their native habitats.

QL 681.H45 1986

Hellyer, Connie Anne. Illustrated by Erin Hourigan. **A HOME FOR CHOCOLATE: BASED ON THE TRUE STORY OF AN ORPHAN MOOSE.** Place of publication unknown: Fir Bough Press, 2025.

This picture book presents the true story of Chocolate the moose and how he came to live at Northwest Trek Wildlife Park near Eatonville, Washington.

QL 795 .M8 H45 2025

Herkert, Barbara. Illustrated by Marlo Garnsworthy. **THIS OLD MADRONE TREE.** Berkeley, CA: Web of Life, 2023.

Whether you call it madrone, madrona, *Arbutus menziesii,* or something else, this is among Cascadia's most distinctive trees. Readers of this picture book can learn about the tree's associations with wildlife and fungi.

SB 436.8 .H47 2023

Hevron, Amy. **BOG BUDDIES.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2026.

Pitcher plants, turtles, peat moss, beavers, cattails, otters, skunk cabbage, salamanders, and many other bog-dwellers (plants and animals) will charm readers of this informative book.

QB541.5 .M3 H48 2026

Hevron, Amy. **LOG LIFE.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2024.

Seattle author/illustrator Amy Hevron depicts the life that inhabits a fallen log over one thousand years in this entertaining and informative picture book.

QH 541.5 .F6 H48 2024

Hillery, Tony. Illustrated by Jesse Hartland. **HARLEM GROWN: HOW ONE BIG IDEA TRANSFORMED A NEIGHBORHOOD.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2020.

This autobiographical picture book shows how Harlem Grown director Tony Hillery helped students at Public School 175 to create a productive farm on a vacant lot, growing thousands of pounds of food to share with their neighbors, free of charge. Harlem Grown has expanded to twelve farm sites across the neighborhood.

S 519 .H55 2020

Himmelman, John. **NOISY BUG SING-ALONG.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 2013.

Insect clicks, scrapes, chirps, and squeaks are the subject of this vividly illustrated picture book.

QL 467.2 .H56 2013

Hirsch, Rebecca E. Illustrated by Mia Posada. **PLANTS CAN'T SIT STILL**. Minneapolis: Millbrook Press, 2016.

Colorful illustrations and vivid text explain how plants reach for light, climb fences, open and close their flowers and leaves, and, as in the case of tumbleweeds, even roll along flinging seeds.

QK 49 .H57 2016

Hirsch, Rebecca E. Illustrated by Mia Posada. **RISE TO THE SKY: HOW THE WORLD'S TALLEST TREES GROW UP**. Minneapolis: Millbrook Press, 2023.

What is the tallest living thing on earth? A tree! Looking at *Sequoia sempervirens, Picea sitchensis, Eucalyptus regnans, Shorea faguetiana, Cupressus cashmeriana,* and other examples from around the world, this book explains how the tallest trees live and grow.

QK 475.8 .H57 2023

Hirsch, Rebecca E. **WHEN PLANTS ATTACK: STRANGE AND TERRIFYING PLANTS.** Minneapolis: Millbrook Press, 2019.

The dramatic graphic design choices and fascinating facts in this informative book will appeal to upper elementary and middle school readers who want to learn about the extraordinary tactics plants employ to survive.

QH 48 .H57 2019

Hirschi, Ron. Illustrated by Deborah Cooper. **PEOPLE OF SALMON AND CEDAR.** New York: Cobblehill, 1996.

This illustrated history of the Northwest Coast Indians details the close relationship native people have with both salmon and cedar.

QK 98.6 .P23 H57 1996

Hocking, Deborah. **THE GREAT POLLINATION INVESTIGATION: AND HOW WE GET FOOD FROM FLOWERS.** London: Templar Books, 2025.

This interactive book features a pop-up lemur, a peek-in pollen grain (magnified to melon size!), and a night scene of bats and moths pollinating saguaro flowers.

QK 49. H63 2025

Hodge, Deborah. Photographed by Brian Harris. **UP WE GROW!: A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF A SMALL, LOCAL FARM.** Tonawanda, NY: Kids Can Press, 2010.

Lively photos of farm families at work make this a fascinating read for city kids.

S 519 .H56 2010

Holland, Loretta. Illustrated by Elly MacKay. **FALL LEAVES.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014.

Luminous photographs of three-dimensional paper-art illustrations accompany descriptive text detailing observations of the changing seasons, from the end of summer through the beginning of winter. Books about fall for children form a crowded field, and this one takes a uniquely captivating approach.

QC 981.3 .H65 2014

Holland, Michael. Illustrated by Philip Giordano. **I ATE SUNSHINE FOR BREAKFAST.** London: Flying Eye Books, 2020.

Bright, whimsical illustrations and detailed text explain how plants grow and adapt. Full-page spreads in each section provide directions for plant-based projects, including playing conkers and making invisible ink. The author is a Fellow of the Linnean Society of London.

QK 711.5 .H65 2020

Hornberg, Linda. Foreword by Lorene Edwards Forkner. **PICTURE A GARDEN**. Seattle: Peanut Butter Publishing, 2024.

This graphic nonfiction book is the culmination of the author's 25 years of creating an illustrated children's newsletter, but its content is definitely not just for children.

Pacific Northwest Connections SB 453.2 .P23 H67 2024

Houbre, Gilbert. **VEGETABLES**. East Hendred, UK: Moonlight Publishing Limited, 2010.

Sturdy card pages and transparent overlays make this book on common vegetables stand out.

Board Book

Houstie, Ben. **ANIMAL WORLD: WITH NORTHWEST COAST NATIVE ART.** Vancouver, BC: Native Explore, 2013.

Ben Houstie depicts the kingfisher, the frog, the ermine, the raven, the hummingbird, and other local animals in the bold geometric style of the Northwest Coast First Nations.

Board Book

Huber, Raymond. Illustrated by Brian Lovelock. **FLIGHT OF THE HONEYBEE**. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2013.

A honeybee named Scout explores, searching for nectar to sustain her hive. She dodges hail, eludes a wasp, pollinates flowers, and returns to the hive to perform a dance to tell her sisters where to find plentiful nectar.

QL 568 .H83 2013

Huff, Barbara A. **GREENING THE CITY STREETS: THE STORY OF COMMUNITY GARDENS**. New York: Clarion, 1990.

Manhattan's Sixth Street and Avenue B Garden takes center stage in this photo-filled book, aimed at children aged ten to twelve. Kids can learn how community gardens work and why they are so valuable.

SB 457.3 .H84 1990

Hurley, Jorey. **BEEHIVE.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2020.

A page of bee facts in the back will help stronger readers understand the honeybee's life cycle in detail, while bold illustrations featuring a single key word on each two-page spread keep even the youngest listeners intrigued.

QL 568 .A6 .H87 2020

Hurley, Jorey. **EVERY COLOR SOUP.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2018.

What is purple, yellow, orange, white, red, black, green, clear, brown, blue, and yummy? Every color soup! Putting this recipe together will take less than one hour, including time to read the book, prepare each ingredient with your child chef's help, and simmer the soup.

SB 455 .H87 2018

Hurley, Jorey. **HOP.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2016.

A family of brown bunnies star in this one-word-per-page illustrated story of cottontail rabbits. The author's note at the back answers many of the questions youngsters may have about the rabbits, from "How old are the bunnies?" to "What do they eat?"

QL 737.L32 H87 2016

Hurley, Jorey. **NEST.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2014.

With only one word per page, the soothing illustrations in this book follow American robins through a year of life, from nesting to feeding a newly hatched chick among the cherry blossoms, on into the summer feast in that same cherry tree, fall and winter adventures, and a new nest the following spring.

QL 676.2 .H87 2014

Hurley, Jorey. **RIBBIT.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2017.

The cool green and blue palette of this picture book about the leopard frog's life cycle gives readers the feeling of visiting a willow-shaded pool.

QL 676.2 .H87 2014

Ignotofsky, Rachel. **WHAT'S INSIDE A CATERPILLAR COCOON? AND OTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT MOTHS & BUTTERFLIES.** New York: Crown Books, 2023.

Striking illustrations and entertaining text clarify how butterflies and moths differ and what life cycle elements they share.

QL 544.2 .I36 2023

Ignotofsky, Rachel. **WHAT'S INSIDE A FLOWER? AND OTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT SCIENCE AND NATURE.** New York: Crown Books, 2021.

Rachel Ignotofsky's vivid, high-contrast diagrams are also art. This colorful book covers flower biology and pollination engagingly.

QK 49 .I36 2021

Ingoglia, Gina. **THE TREE BOOK FOR KIDS AND THEIR GROWN-UPS**. New York: Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 2008.

Just as the title indicates, this book is perfect for kids and adults who want to learn to identify trees. Thirty-tree species appear, with illustrations and detailed descriptions that teach kids to recognize trees in all seasons.

SB 435 .I64 2008

Irvine, Richard. **WILD DAYS: OUTDOOR PLAY FOR YOUNG ADVENTURERS.** Lewes, UK: Guide of Master Craftsman, 2021.

From leaf mandalas to forest bathing, this lavishly illustrated book has it all, including instructions for making wands, walking sticks, and a nature diary.

SB 449.48 .I78 2021

Jenkins, Priscilla Belz. Illustrated by Lizzy Rockwell. **A NEST FULL OF EGGS.** New York: HarperCollins, 1995.

Neighbors enjoy observing the life cycle of robins in this illustrated paperback from the Let's-Read-and-Find-Out science series.

QL 681 .J46 1995

Jenkins, Steve. **THE BEETLE BOOK.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2012.

Bold, detailed illustrations and informative text introduce us to beetles and their life cycles.

QL 576.2 .J46 2012

Jenkins, Steve. **EGG: NATURE'S PERFECT PACKAGE.** New York: Houghton Mifflin, 2015.

Science and art intersect in this pictorial guide to eggs of many species, from tiny acorn weevils to scaly alligators.

QL 49 .J46 2015

Jennings, Terry. **THE YOUNG SCIENTIST INVESTIGATES TREES**. Chicago: Children's Press, 1989.

Presents information about the parts of trees, tree growth, and the importance of trees. Includes study questions, activities, and experiments.

SB 435 .J46 1989

Jenson-Elliott, Cindy. **WEEDS FIND A WAY.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2013.

Colorful illustrations and poetic text detail the ways weeds thrive in all kinds of places.

SB 611 .J46 2014

Johnson, Craig and Joy. **THE AMAZING HUMMINGBIRD STORY OF "RED" RUFOUS.** Whidbey Island, WA: Orange Spot Press, 2010.

This colorful, locally produced picture book follows a hummingbird on his migration from Whidbey Island to Mexico and back again.

QL 681 .J64 2010

Johnson, Jen Cullerton. Illustrated by Sonia Lynn Sadler. **SEEDS OF CHANGE: PLANTING A PATH TO PEACE**. New York: Lee & Low, 2010.

An illustrated biography of Wangari Maathai, SEEDS OF CHANGE describes her work with the Green Belt Movement she started in Kenya, which still empowers ordinary women worldwide to plant trees. Maathai's work furthered the causes of equal rights for women, environmental protection, and education.

SB 63 .M22 J64 2010

Johnson, Jinny. **KINGFISHER VOYAGES: RAIN FOREST.** Boston: Kingfisher, 2006.

This illustrated book follows canopy researcher Dr. Nalini Nadkarni to the rainforest, introducing the people and animals who live there.

QH 541.5 .F6 J64 2006

Johnson, Rebecca L. Illustrated by Phyllis V. Saroff. **A WALK IN THE DECIDUOUS FOREST.** Minneapolis: Carolrhoda Books, 2001.

Like a forest walk with an expert guide, this detailed book is full of fun and information for primary and middle school students.

QH 541.5 .F6 J64 2001

Johnston, Tony. Illustrated by Tiffany Bozic. **TREES.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2021.

With large-format photorealistic illustrations and poetic text, this love letter to trees is perfect for story time.

QK 475.8 .J64 2021

Jordan, Helene J. Illustrated by Loretta Krupinski. **HOW A SEED GROWS.** New York: HarperCollins Publishers, 1992.

Preschoolers can plant an eggshell garden following the clever instructions in this lovable little book about seeds.

QK 661 .J67 1992

Judge, Lita. **THE WISDOM OF TREES: HOW TREES WORK TOGETHER TO FORM A NATURAL KINGDOM.** New York: Roaring Brook, 2021.

Each two-page spread in the first section of this book includes lyrical poetry, vivid illustrations, and science-based text about mycorrhizal networks, forest wildlife, super bloom years, and other aspects of tree physiology and forest ecology. A fact-filled section at the back gives even more context.

QK 475.8 .J83 2021

Kalman, Bobbie. **HOW A PLANT GROWS.** New York: Crabtree, 1997.

Colorful drawings and lavish photographs illustrate the life cycle of plants. Be sure to check out the activities and glossary at the end.

QK 49 .K25 1997

Kalman, Bobbie; Schaub, Janine. **I AM A PART OF NATURE**. New York: Crabtree Publishing Company, 1992.

"Once we begin to understand how we are joined to the natural things around us, we will start to feel that we are a part of nature and that nature is a part of us." By including a short story and discussions about topics like food chains and webs, the authors attempt to foster an understanding and appreciation of the natural world in primary-aged children. Color photographs and illustrations enliven the text.

QH 541.14 .K34 1992

Kaner, Etta. Illustrated by Ashley Barron. **PRETTY TRICKY: THE SNEAKY WAYS PLANTS SURVIVE.** Toronto: OwlKids Books, 2020.

Vividly illustrated and full of fascinating details about how plants defend themselves, reproduce, and find nutrients, this book is perfect for strong readers who are curious about plants.

QH 541 .K26 2020

Kenin, Justine. **WE GREW IT: LET'S EAT IT!** Washington, DC: Tenley Circle, 2010.

This slim volume looks like a glossy magazine until the reader opens it to reveal the sweet, true story of Annie and Veda, two 5-year-old gardeners who are also apartment-dwellers and cooks. The recipe for blackberry buttermilk cake should get everyone inspired!

SB 321 .K46 2010

Ketchum, Liza; Martin, Jacqueline Briggs, Root, Phyllis. Illustrated by Claudia McGehee. **BEGIN WITH A BEE.** Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2021.

Follow a rusty-patched bumblebee queen as she overwinters under a log, finds a nesting site, and starts a new colony. At the back of the book, learn what you can do to help bees.

QL 568 .A6 K48 2021

Kim, Sue. Illustrated by Tilde. **HOW DOES A SEED GROW?** New York: Little Simon, 2010.

Like a seed, this book starts small and expands with foldout pages showing how peas, beans, and other common kitchen seeds sprout.

QK 661 .K56 2010

Kincaid, Jamaica. Illustrated by Kara Walker. **AN ENCYCLOPEDIA OF GARDENING FOR COLORED CHILDREN.** New York: Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2024.

This illustrated alphabet book draws on the author's knowledge of plants and history, touching on colonial exploitation, farming traditions, dye plants, belief systems, and more.

Tall Shelves QK 21 .K56 2024

Kite, L. Patricia. **GARDENING WIZARDRY FOR KIDS.** Hauppauge, NY: Barron's, 1995.

A spiral-bound delight, this illustrated manual will be a magnet for curious kids. The author presents historical and scientific information about fruits and vegetables alongside hands-on activities, experiments, and gardening tips.

SB 457 .K58 1995

Kochanoff, Peggy. **YOU CAN BE A NATURE DETECTIVE.** Missoula, MT: Mountain Press, 2009.

Recently there have been several books about children's need to get outdoors, and this book is a wonderful tool that can go right into a child's hand, addressing that need. Written at an upper elementary reading level, it has colorful illustrations and helps kids answer questions like "What insect will this caterpillar grow into?" and "Whose nest is this?"

QH 55 .K63 2009

Koehler, Cynthia and Alvin. **INDOOR AND OUTDOOR GARDENING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.** New York: Grosset and Dunlap, 1969.

The style of this little book is charmingly dated, but the projects are fresh and informative: propagating African violets, potting up bulbs, and making a moss garden, to name a few.

QK 52.55 .K64 1969

Koster, Amy Sky. Illustrated by Lisel Jane Ashcock. **EGG.** Mankato, MN: Creative Editions, 2020.

Eggs of twelve different birds star in this sturdy book with rhyming text.

QL 49 .K67 2020

Kostyal, K.M. **RACCOONS.** Washington, DC: National Geographic Society, 1987.

Big photos show raccoons at their favorite activities: eating eggs, playing with trash, and washing their food in a stream. The text is appropriate for kids in their second year of reading, and interesting to anyone who has ever wondered how raccoons live in the city.

QL 737 .C26 K68 1987

Kuchalla, Susan. Illustrated by Jane McBee. **NOW I KNOW ALL ABOUT SEEDS.** Mahwah, NJ: Troll Associates, 1982.

What is a seed? Preschoolers will have fun with this brightly illustrated book.

QK 661 .K83 1982

Kuhn, Dwight. **MORE THAN JUST A VEGETABLE GARDEN.** Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Silver Press, 1990.

With time-lapse photos as well as animal close-ups, this is a great resource for learning about the science that makes gardens grow. The author covers topics such as beneficial insects, seed sprouting, and plant parts in relevant and fun ways.

SB 324 .K84 1990

Kunning, Monica. Illustrated by Dean Griffiths. **WHEN EMILY CARR MET WOO.** Toronto: Pajama Press, 2014.

This illustrated vignette from the life of beloved Canadian artist Emily Carr, known for her images of forests, offers young readers a sense of Carr's personality and her love for nature. Her mischievous pet monkey, Woo, keeps her company while she works.

QK 98.2 .C37 K85 2014

Kurtz, Kevin. Illustrated by Consie Powell. **A DAY IN THE SALT MARSH.** Mount Pleasant, SC: Sylvan Dell Publishing, 2007.

Rhyming text and lifelike illustrations depict daily rhythms of life in a salt marsh. Readers will enjoy finding periwinkle snails, dolphins, river otters, herons, and much more.

QH 541.5 .M3 K87 2007

Kyi, Tanya Lloyd. Illustrated by Collen Larmour. **OUR GREEN CITY.** Toronto, ON: Kids Can Press, 2022.

The author is from Vancouver, BC, and perhaps that's why so many of the green ideas presented here seem ideally suited to our region.

QH 541.5 .C6 K95 2022

LaFarge, Kelly. **HERBARIA: A GUIDE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.** St. Louis, MO: Missouri Botanical Garden Press, 2020.

An illustrated guide to how herbaria work and why they are important for everyone.

QK 75 .L34 2020

Laidlaw, Rob. **BAT CITIZENS: DEFENDING THE NINJAS OF THE NIGHT.** Toronto, ON: Pajama Press, 2018.

This illustrated book profiles young people caring for bats around the world, explaining threats to bats and ways to help them.

QL 737 .C5 L25 2018

Lanan, Jessica. **JUMPER: A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A BACKYARD JUMPING SPIDER.** New York: Roaring Brook, 2023.

The delightful illustrations in this book get readers eye to compound eye with a type of spider commonly seen in Pacific Northwest gardens.

QL 458.42 .S24 L36 2023

Lang, Heather. Illustrated by Jana Christy. **THE LEAF DETECTIVE: HOW MARGARET LOWMAN UNCOVERED SECRETS IN THE RAINFOREST.** New York: Boyds Mill & Kane, 2021.

This picture biography of “Canopy Meg” Lowman enchants readers with tales of her discoveries in the treetops.

SB 455.5 .L69 L26 2021

Larkin, Shabazz. **THE THING ABOUT BEES: A LOVE LETTER.** San Francisco, CA: Readers to Eaters, 2019.

A loving father teaches his sons (and all readers) to love, appreciate, and stay safe around bees in this zany, beautifully produced picture book.

QL 568 .A6 L27 2019

Larson, Gary. **THERE’S A HAIR IN MY DIRT: A WORM’S STORY.** New York: HarperCollins, 1998.

This picture book is an offbeat, macabre fantasy told by an earthworm to his son who is disgusted when he finds a human hair in his dirt and with his position in life as "the lowest of the low."

S 661.2 .E2 L27 1998

Larson, Kirsten W. Illustrated by Katherine Roy. **THE FIRE OF STARS: THE LIFE AND BRILLIANCE OF THE WOMAN WHO DISCOVERED WHAT STARS ARE MADE OF.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2023.

Cecilia Payne’s path to brilliance in astronomy and astrophysics wasn’t a direct one. Readers of this picture biography will learn about her work in botany at Cambridge and her 1938 appointment as an astronomer at Harvard University.

QH 31 .P29 L27 2023

Lawlor, Laurie. Illustrated by Becca Stadtlander. **FEARLESS WORLD TRAVELER: ADVENTURES OF MARIANNE NORTH, BOTANICAL ARTIST.** New York: Holiday House, 2021.

Marianne North (1830-1890) taught herself botanical illustration and traveled the world alone, defying social conventions of her time. As this picture biography explains, her work is still on view in a dedicated gallery at Kew Gardens today.

QK 98.183 .N67 L39 2021

Lawlor, Laurie. Illustrated by Laura Beingessner. **RACHEL CARSON AND HER BOOK THAT CHANGED THE WORLD.**

This picture biography chronicles the life and times of Rachel Carson, highlighting her book **SILENT SPRING**.

QH 31 .C33 L29 2012

Lee-Tai, Amy. Illustrated by Felicia Hoshino. Japanese translation by Marc Akio Lee. **A PLACE WHERE SUNFLOWERS GROW.** San Francisco: Children's Book Press, 2006.

Based on the experiences of the author's mother and grandmother at the Topaz camp in Utah, this gentle book emphasizes the human dignity of the prisoners there and offers hope that we will "work toward a world that will never repeat—to any group of people—what happened to Japanese Americans during World War II."

SB 451 .L44 2006

Leger, Diane. Illustrated by Dar Churcher. **MAXINE'S TREE.** Victoria, BC: Orca Book Publishers, 1990.

Based on a young girl's experience in an old-growth forest on Vancouver Island, this story demonstrates the value of trails in creating a personal connection between people and forests.

QH 541.5 .F6 L44 1990

Lemelman, Martin. **THE MIRACLE SEED.** Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2023.

This graphic non-fiction work tells the amazing story of ancient date seeds that sprout into trees and (with knowledgeable care from Dr. Sarah Sallon and Dr. Naomi Solowey) eventually bear fruit, bringing the long-extinct Judean date palm back to life.

SB 364 .L46 2023

Lemniscates, Carme. **SEEDS.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2020.

Seeds are full of potential! They "have whole worlds inside them," and they have much to teach us.

QK 661 .L46 2020

Lemniscates, Carme. **TREES.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2015.

Bold, clever illustrations show some of the many marvelous aspects of trees, including fruit, shade, and animal habitat, along with that patient, accepting presence familiar to all those who have befriended a tree.

SB 435 .L46 2015

Levenson, George. **PUMPKIN CIRCLE: THE STORY OF A GARDEN**. Berkeley, CA: Tricycle Press, 1999.

Stunning color photos and catchy rhyming text enliven this close-up look at a pumpkin patch. The back page gives grownups tips on growing pumpkins, too.

SB 347 .L48 1999

Levine, Sara. Illustrated by Masha D'Yans. **FLOWER TALK: HOW PLANTS USE COLOR TO COMMUNICATE.** Minneapolis: Millbrook, 2019.
The prickly cactus narrator of this entertaining book explains how flowers attract pollinators. At the back, readers will find a diagram of flower and fruit parts.
QK 49 .L48 2019

Lieber, Robert. Illustrated by Carol Klammer. **TALLEST TREE**. San Francisco, CA: Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, 2016.
The rhyming text of this board book introduces owls, salmon, frogs, jays, poison oak, and other lifeforms on and around coast redwood trees.
Board Book

Linden, Joanne. Illustrated by Laurie Caple. **FIDDLEHEADS TO FIR TREES: LEAVES IN ALL SEASONS.** Missoula, Montana: Mountain Press, 2013.
Whimsical poems and vivid illustrations accompany factual text about various types of leaves, from the trembling leaves of a quaking aspen to the scaly leaves on a Western red cedar twig.
QK 649 .L56 2013

Locker, Tomas; Bruchac, Joseph. **RACHEL CARSON: PRESERVING A SENSE OF WONDER.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 2004.
"If a child is to keep his inborn sense of wonder," wrote Rachel Carson, "he needs the companionship of at least one adult who can share it, rediscovering with him the joy, excitement, and mystery of the world we live in." Rachel herself had such a mother, and this picture book tells how their shared love of nature helped her grow up to change the world.
QH 31 .C33 L63 2003

Lovett, Sarah. **EXTREMELY WEIRD INSECTS.** Santa Fe, NM: John Muir Publications, 1992.
Full-page color photos and informative text will entrance any elementary-age student with an interest in bugs.
QL 467.2 .L68 1992

Lucas, Jannette May. Illustrations by Helene Carter. **WHERE DID YOUR GARDEN GROW?** London: Collins, 1945.
This older illustrated book introduces the history of plant migrations at the hands of gardeners since ancient times. Due to its advanced age, look for it in the tall shelves. It is for library use only.
Tall Shelves SB 451.4 .L83 1946

Lyons, Dana. Illustrated by David Danioth. **THE TREE.** Bellevue, WA: Illumination Arts, 2002.
Vivid pictures and informative text on the importance of forests make this local book stand out. Pete Seeger and Julia Butterfly Hill provide forewords.
QH 541.5 .F6 L96 2002

Macken, JoAnn Early. Illustrated by Pam Paparone. **FLIP, FLOAT, FLY: SEEDS ON THE MOVE.** New York: Holiday House, 2008.
Bright, large-format illustrations make this an excellent read-aloud on seed dispersal.
QK 661 .M23 2008

MacQuitty, Miranda. **KIDS' KEW: A CHILDREN'S GUIDE.** Richmond, Surrey, UK: Kew, 2007.

Planning a family trip to the UK? This lively 47-page guide is enjoyable for kids to read even if you cannot visit Kew Gardens. It includes maps, photos, activities, and fun facts about plants worldwide.

SB 466 .G7 K49 2007

Madgwick, Wendy. **FLOWERING PLANTS.** Austin, TX: Steck-Vaughn Library, 1990.

Covers basic flowering plant physiology as well as habitat loss and an introduction to economic botany.

QK 49 .M23 1990

Maestro, Betsy. Illustrated by Loretta Krupinski. **WHY DO LEAVES CHANGE COLOR?** New York: HarperCollins, 1994.

Bright paintings and clear text make this a standout among books on fall color.

QK 649 .M24 1994

Magley, Beverly. **MONTANA WILDFLOWERS: A CHILDREN'S FIELD GUIDE TO THE STATE'S MOST COMMON FLOWERS**. Billings, MT: Falcon Press, 1992.

Montana's wildflowers star in this colorful, easy-to-use guide.

QK 171 .M24 1992

Magley, Beverly. **OREGON WILDFLOWERS: A CHILDREN'S FIELD GUIDE TO THE STATE'S MOST COMMON FLOWERS**. Billings, MT: Falcon Press, 1992.

A concise, well-illustrated guide to Oregon's wildflowers and where to find them, complete with a primer on botanical terms.

QK 182 .M34 1992

Markle, Sandra. **THE CASE OF THE VANISHING HONEYBEES: A SCIENTIFIC MYSTERY.** Minneapolis: Millbrook, 2014.

Well-written, detailed text explains the importance of honeybees and some of the challenges that contribute to colony collapse disorder.

QL 568 .A6 M27 2014

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs. Illustrated by Claudia McGehee. **CREEKFINDING: A TRUE STORY.** Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2017.

Restoring a creek on land that has been used to grow corn is a big project, well-illustrated in this picture book.

QH 541.5 .M3 M37 2017

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs. Illustrated by Hayelin Choi. **ALICE WATERS AND THE TRIP TO DELICIOUS.** Bellevue, WA: Readers to Eaters, 2014.

From the age of three, Alice Waters has loved fresh food. In her restaurant and through her Edible Schoolyard project, she has shared this love with many people of all ages around the world.

S 519 .M27 2014

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs. Illustrated by Eric-Shabazz Larkin. **FARMER WILL ALLEN AND THE GROWING TABLE.** Bellevue, WA: Readers to Eaters, 2013.

The story of former basketball star and current urban farmer and activist, Will Allen, and how his vision of gardening abandoned urban sites inspired a grassroots craze.

S 519 .M27 2013

Matheson, Anne. Illustrated by Kay Widdowson. **THE FOREST MAN: THE TRUE STORY OF JADAV PAYENG.** Oakville, Ontario: Flowerpot, 2022.

This book shows the tamarind, mango, star fruit, banyan, teak, and other types of trees Jadav Payeng has planted to help control floods and provide food and animal habitat along the Brahmaputra River.

SB 63 .P39 M28 2022

Mayes, Susan. **WHAT MAKES A FLOWER GROW?** London: Usborne, 1989.

Bright, colorful pictures and clear text make this tiny book a standout for beginning readers. It covers plant anatomy, pollination, seed distribution, plant growth, and botanical terms.

QH 541.14 .M39 1989

Maynard, Chris. **BACKYARD SCIENCE: WITH OVER 50 FANTASTIC EXPERIMENTS.** New York: Dorling Kindersley, 2001.

Bright and detailed, this book encourages kids to do their own experiments at home, ask questions, and observe nature carefully for answers.

QH 55 .M29 2001

McAnulty, Dara. **DIARY OF A YOUNG NATURALIST.** Minneapolis: Milkweed Editions, 2021.

Readers can step inside the mind of a teen climate activist in this engaging book from Milkweed Editions.

QH 31 .M395 .M32 2021

McDivitt, Lindsey. Illustrated by Eileen Ryan Ewen. **NATURE'S FRIEND: THE GWEN FROSTIC STORY.** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press, 2018.

This well-illustrated biography of Michigan artist Gwen Frostic touches on her love for nature, her physical challenges, and her determination in crafting a life and a career for herself.

QK 98.2 .F76 M33 2018

McDonald, Jill. **BACKYARD BUGS.** New York: Random House, 2017.

This colorful board book explains bug-related terms and concepts such as spider silk and butterfly life stages.

Board Book

McDonald, Jill. **GARDEN TIME.** New York: Random House, 2022.

Bright illustrations and clear text introduce gardens throughout the community to the youngest readers.

Board Book

McDonald, Jill. **HOW DO APPLES GROW?** New York: Random House, 2019.

How many seeds can an apple have? How long does a seed take to grow into a seedling? In this book, the youngest readers can learn more about how apples grow, flower, and make seeds.

Board Book

McKenny, Margaret; Johnston, Edith F. **A BOOK OF WILD FLOWERS**. New York: Macmillan, 1939.

Straightforward text and colorful illustrations make this old book (shelved in the tall shelves due to its fragility) fresh and entertaining for youngsters today. It presents a walk through the growing season, from the first skunk cabbage of spring to the goldenrods and asters of fall. For library use only.

Tall Shelves QK 115 .M35 1939

McPherson, Stewart. **SPECTACULAR PLANTS & HOW TO GROW THEM.** Plymouth, UK: Wild Nature Press, 2019.

Striking photographs and descriptive text reveal the magic of plants, along with how they survive and thrive in ecosystems worldwide.

QH 48 M27 2019

McQuerry, Maureen. Pictures by Robin Rosenthal. **PRESERVATION WITH ALDO LEOPOLD.** New York: Putnam's Sons, 2022.

What is an environmentalist? Anyone can treat the land as "a community to which we belong," in the words of Aldo Leopold, and this board book introduces his ideas to the youngest readers.

Board Book

McQuerry, Maureen. Pictures by Robin Rosenthal. **RESTORATION WITH WANGARI MAATHAI.** New York: Putnam's Sons, 2022.

From the Big Ideas series, this board book combines eye-catching illustrations with a powerful message: anyone can follow Wangari Maathai's example and help restore nature in their local community.

Board Book

Mebane, Jeanie. Illustrated by Gerald Geurlais. **AT THE MARSH IN THE MEADOW.** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press, 2016.

A Seattle-area author wrote this ode to the reeds, algae, mayflies, spiders, dragonflies, minnows, tadpoles, fish, eagles and myriad other plants and animals that make their home in a freshwater marsh.

QH 541.5 .M3 M42 2016

Meltzer, Brad. **I AM SACAGAWEA.** New York: Penguin, 2017.

This picture book tells the story of Sacagawea, a Native American woman who courageously made her way despite expectations and conventions of her time.

QK 31 .S23 M45 2017

Metcalf, Lindsay H. Illustrated by Junyi Wu. **BEATRIX POTTER, SCIENTIST.** Chicago, IL: Albert Whitman, 2020.

Did you know Beatrix Potter was an amateur mycologist? Learn about her work with mushrooms in this charming picture biography.

SB 455.5 .M48 2020

Mettler, René. **THE RAIN FOREST: A FIRST DISCOVERY BOOK.** New York: Scholastic, 1994.

This small, sturdy book illustrates the plants and animals that live in the Amazon rain forest.

QH 541.5 .F6 M48 1994

Micucci, Charles. **THE LIFE AND TIMES OF THE APPLE**. New York: Orchard Books, 1992.

Bright, detailed drawings and historical context make this kids' guide to apples stand out. Presents scientific information clearly.

SB 363 .M53 1992

Mills, J. Elizabeth; Denega, Danielle. **IN THE FOREST.** New York: Scholastic, 2002.

This volume from the First Discovery Look and Learn series is beautifully illustrated, with text at an early elementary school level.

QH 541.5 .F6 M55 2002

Montgomery, Heather L. Illustrated by Maribel Lechuga. **WHAT'S IN YOUR POCKET: COLLECTING NATURE'S TREASURES.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2021.

Meg Lowman, Diego Cisneros-Heredia, George Washington Carver, Maria Sibylla Merian, and five other scientists are shown in their childhoods, picking up treasures and studying them. Biographical information is included at the back, along with guidelines for collecting respectfully.

QH 26 .M66 2021

Morrison, Gordon. **NATURE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2004.

Detailed illustrations and fascinating facts enliven this nature walk through a suburban neighborhood. The careful observer finds wildlife in gardens, vacant lots, and even on rooftops.

QH 48 .M67 2004

Morton, Stephie. Illustrated by Nicole Wong. **THREE LOST SEEDS: STORIES OF BECOMING.** Thomaston, Maine: Tilbury House, 2019.

In this picture book, readers follow three seeds: one from a cherry, one from an acacia tree, and one from a pond lotus. Their survival demonstrates how seeds are adapted to challenging conditions.

QK 661 .M67 2019

Mottola, Anne. **WHAT GROWS IN THE GARDEN?** Bronx, NY: New York Botanical Garden, 2017.

Kids carry mammoth-sized vegetables in the lively illustrations for this book about edible plant parts, including leaves, stems, roots, fruits, and seeds.

SB 324 .M68 2017

Mound, Lawrence. **AMAZING INSECTS.** New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1993.

Colorful drawings and close-up photos make this a fun read.

QL 467.2 .M68 1993

Mound, L. A. **INSECT**. London: Dorling Kindersley, 2007.

The DK Eyewitness Books are wonderful for their giant photos and in-depth information, and INSECT is no exception. Includes a bonus clip-art CD.

QL 467.2 .M68 2007

Napoli, Donna Jo. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. **MAMA MITI: WANGARI MAATHAI AND THE TREES OF KENYA.** New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2010.

In Kadir Nelson's illustrations, he uses colorful fabrics and oil paints in collage style to vividly depict the landscapes and people of Kenya. Meanwhile, Donna Jo Napoli's descriptive text provides cultural details, including phrases in Kikuyu, the celebrated environmentalist's first language.

SB 63 .M22 N37 2010

Näslund, Görel Kristina; Illustrated by Kristina Digman. **OUR APPLE TREE**. New Milford, CT: Roaring Brook Press, 2006.

Charming paintings show fairy folk (our narrators) frolicking in an apple tree throughout the year as it works to make flowers and fruit.

SB 363 .N27 2006

Nelson, Robin. **FROM FLOWER TO HONEY**. Minneapolis: Lerner, 2003.

The vivid photographs in this small book bring beginning readers eye-to-compound-eye with bees as they make honey. It explains the entire process, from a flower blooming to a child buying and eating the honey.

QL 568 .A6 N45 2003

Newman, Patricia. Illustrated by Natasha Donovan. **A RIVER'S GIFTS: THE MIGHTY ELWHA RIVER REBORN.** Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2023.

This picture book tells the story of the Elwha River's key role in the life of the Lower Elwha Tribe for generations and the successful restoration work there recently.

QH 541.5 .M3 N49 2023

Noguchi, Rick and Jenks, Deneen. Illustrated by Michelle Reiko Kumata. **FLOWERS FROM MARIKO.** New York: Lee and Low, 2001.

"*Haru-ga kita.* Spring is coming," sings Mariko as she tends her seedlings. Mariko works faithfully in a temporary but essential garden as her parents strive to rebuild their family's world after they are released from a forced relocation camp in the desert.

SB 451 .N64 2001

Nussbaum, Hedda. **PLANTS DO AMAZING THINGS**. New York: Random House, 1977.

Made especially for children who enjoy reading on their own, this gem describes a variety of plants with unusual characteristics, including those that give off light and those that eat insects. The casual teaching style and question-and-answer format will appeal to a child's scientific curiosity.

QH 48 .N87 1977

Owen, Jennifer. **MYSTERIES AND MARVELS OF INSECT LIFE.** London: Usborne, 1989.

What do we know about insects? What is still unknown? This brightly illustrated book provides the detailed information kids crave.

QL 467.2 .O94 1989

Owen, Kim Bogren. **ORCHIDS.** [Bellingham, Washington]: Kim Bogren Owen, 2016.

Close, bright photos illustrate the diversity of shape, color, and size among orchids, while easy-to-read text describes their natural habitats and discusses their pollination methods.

SB 409 .O94 2016

Owings, Lisa. **FROM PUMPKIN TO PIE.** Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2015.

From the Start to Finish series, this photo-illustrated picture book details how gardeners and bakers make the classic American fall dessert.

SB 347 .O95 2015

Packard, Mary. **THE REAL THING! BEETLES.** New York: Scholastic, 2005.

Bright pictures, interesting text, and a real beetle encased in lucite make this a standout for young insect-lovers.

QL 576.2 .P23 2005

Pandell, Karen. Illustrated by Art Wolfe and Denise Y. Takahashi. **JOURNEY THROUGH THE NORTHERN RAINFOREST.** New York: Dutton, 1999.

This picture book encourages the reader to take on the persona of an eagle soaring between the trees of the coastal rainforests of British Columbia, Washington, and Oregon, where logging and development threaten a majestic ecosystem.

QH 541.5 .F6 P26 1999

Parker, Bertha Morris. **SEEDS AND SEED TRAVELS.** New York: Harper & Brothers, 1941.

Colorful illustrations and engaging text make this classic stand out. Find it on the tall shelves of our general collection.

Tall Shelves QK 50 .P27 1941

Parker, Steve. **POND & RIVER.** London: Dorling Kindersley, 2005.

Part of the DK Eyewitness Books series, POND & RIVER helps us "discover the amazing variety of plant and animal life that thrives in freshwater habitats."

QH 541.5 .M3 P27 2005

Parker, Steve. **REDWOODS, HEMLOCKS & OTHER CONE-BEARING PLANTS.** Minneapolis, MN: Compass Point, 2010.

This well-illustrated book examines diverse types of conifers, their reproductive methods, and how they get their energy. It considers the ecological value of these woody plants as well as their economic and cultural significance.

QH 541.5 .F6 P27 2010

Parry-Jones, Jemima. **EAGLE & BIRDS OF PREY.** London: Dorling Kindersley, 2000.

From the DK Eyewitness Books series, this book is perfect for anyone who has ever wanted to see the inside of an eagle's nest or understand how raptors hunt.

QL 681 .P27 2000

Patton, Christopher. Illustrations by Cybèle Young. **JACK PINE**. Toronto: Groundwood Press, 2007.

This ode to a tenacious tree, illustrated with collages made of etched paper, is uniquely charming.

SB 436.8 .P28 2007

Paul, Baptiste and Paul, Miranda. Illustrated by Elizabeth Zunon. **I AM FARMER: GROWING AN ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT IN CAMEROON.** Minneapolis: Millbrook, 2019.

Called "Farmer Tantoh" in his home country of Cameroon, Tantoh Nforba is famous for bringing water and gardens to his community. In developing this illustrated biography, the authors traveled to visit him and met individuals who benefit from his work.

S 519 .T36 P26 2019

Paul, Miranda. Illustrated by Jason Chin. **WATER IS WATER.** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2015.

This humorous and poetic take on the water cycle follows a pair of children through the seasons as they giver water to a pet, play on a dock, watch clouds, ride the school bus through fog and rain, skate on a frozen pond, make snowmen, fly a kite, pick apples, and drink cider. A brief description of each two-page spread at the back explains how the water cycle drives these everyday activities.

QC 145.24 .P28 2015

Peluso, Beth. **THE CHARCOAL FOREST: HOW FIRE HELPS ANIMALS AND PLANTS**. Missoula, MT: Mountain Press, 2007.

This sturdy book details the surprising ways in which wildfires support the survival and reproduction of specific animals and plants.

QH 541.5 .F6 P45 2007

Percival, Kari. **SAFE CROSSING.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2025.

Spring peepers, wood frogs, and spotted salamanders are just some of the amphibians who need safe passage from the vernal pools where they live in spring and summer to the wooded areas they inhabit in fall and winter. The people in this story help them find it.

QL 644.2 .P47 2025

Perenyi, Constance. **GROWING WILD: INVITING WILDLIFE INTO YOUR YARD**. Hillsboro, OR: Beyond Words Publishing, 1991.

Colorful collages illustrate this children's tale of perfect, lonely lawns growing into wild and beautiful habitats for urban creatures.

QL 49 .P47 1991

Peterson, Cris. Photographs by David R. Lundquist. **POPCORN COUNTRY: THE STORY OF AMERICA'S FAVORITE SNACK.** Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills, 2019.

In this illustrated book, kids can learn how popcorn is grown and processed and how it's different from other types of corn.

SB 351 .C7 P48 2019

Peterson, Cris. Photographs by David R. Lundquist. **SEED, SOIL, SUN: EARTH'S RECIPE FOR FOOD.** Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills, 2010.

Clear text and vivid photos demonstrate how farmers produce food by planting seeds and tending their crops.

S 519 .P48 2010

Platt, Richard. **PLANTS BITE BACK!** New York: DK Publishing, 2019.

From the DK Readers series, this book covers carnivorous, toxic, and sharp plants.

QH 48 .P52 2019

Pomeroy, Sarah; Kathirithamby, Jeyaraney. **MARIA SIBYLLA MERIAN: ARTIST | SCIENTIST | ADVENTURER.** Los Angeles: The J. Paul Getty Museum, 2018.

More advanced readers will enjoy this vividly illustrated biography, which includes resources for teachers along with an excellent glossary.

QK 98.2 .M47 P66 2018

Portman, Michelle Eva. **COMPOST BY GOSH!** Kalamazoo, MI: Flower Press, 2003.

"An adventure with vermicomposting" that will be irresistible to beginning readers and lovers of the absurd-but-true. Who would think that vegetable peelings and wet paper and worms could add up to plant food?

S 661.2 .E2 P67 2003

Posada, Mia. **SUMMER GREEN TO AUTUMN GOLD: UNCOVERING LEAVES' HIDDEN COLORS.** Minneapolis: Millbrook, 2019.

Vivid illustrations and engaging text by Mia Posada show the science behind fall color.

QK 649 .P67 2019

Prévot, Franck. Illustrated by Aurélia Fronty. **WANGARI MAATHAI: THE WOMAN WHO PLANTED MILLIONS OF TREES.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2017.

Compared with other books for young readers about Kenyan environmental leader Wangari Maathai, this has more detail about how colonial rule and racism influenced Maathai's story, as well as the power of education in her life.

SB 63 .M22 P74 2017

Purtill, Corinne. Illustrated by Eugenia Mello. **DR. WANGARI MAATHAI PLANTS A FOREST.** Venice, CA: Rebel Girls, 2020.

This illustrated chapter book tells the story of Dr. Maathai's life in broad strokes, including childhood moments working in the garden with her mother, school years and important mentors, and the establishment of the Green Belt Movement.

SB 63 .M22 P87 2020

Rapp, Valerie. **LIFE IN AN OLD GROWTH FOREST.** Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2003.

Using the Douglas fir forests of the Pacific Northwest as a centerpiece, this well-written book introduces readers to ecosystems in general, the old growth forest in particular, the canopy, the forest floor, biodiversity, and particular plants and animals in our local old growth forests.

QH 541.5 .F6 R27 2003

Ray, Deborah Kogan. **THE FLOWER HUNTER: WILLIAM BARTRAM, AMERICA'S FIRST NATURALIST.** New York: Frances Foster Books, 2004.

Told through paintings and journal entries dated 1747 through 1777, this remarkable story begins when William Bartram is just eight years old. His adventures with his father, John Bartram, bring him into contact with native people, plants, animals, and even Benjamin Franklin.

QK 31 .B23 R29 2004

Redding, Anna Crowley. Illustrated by Yas Imamura. **THE GRAVITY TREE: THE TRUE STORY OF A TREE THAT INSPIRED THE WORLD.** New York: Harper, 2021.

Read the life story of the apple tree that famously helped Isaac Newton develop his theory of gravity, and learn how the tree inspired other scientists as well, including Albert Einstein and Stephen Hawking.

SB 363 .R38 2021

Reed, Margaret Rose. Illustrated by Manu Montoya. **THE STORY OF A BUTTERFLY: LEARN ABOUT THE LIFE CYCLE AND HABITAT OF THE PAINTED LADY.** Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks eXplore, 2022.

Facts about butterflies and moths abound in this colorful book about a class project to grow plants that support the Painted Lady.

QL 561 .N9 R43 2022

Reed-Jones, Carol. **THE TREE IN THE ANCIENT FOREST.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 1995.

Our Pacific Northwest old growth forests are the subject of this wildlife-filled picture book. It uses the "this is the house that Jack built" style to convey ecological information.

QH 541.5 .F6 R4 1995

Reid, Ian; Cranmer, Ryan; Lafortune, Doug; Nelson, John; others. **SHARING OUR WORLD: ANIMALS OF THE NATIVE NORTHWEST COAST.** Vancouver, BC: Native Northwest, 2021.

A group of First Nations and Native artists collaborated with designer Kylie Ward on this vividly illustrated book which highlights the connections Native people feel with wolves, salmon, frogs, beavers, ravens, otters, bears, and other Northwest coast animals.

Board Book

Reyes, Riz. Illustrated by Sara Boccaccini Meadows. **GROW.** London: Magic Cat, 2022.

Local author Riz Reyes teamed up with illustrator Sarah Boccaccini Meadows for this vivid and appealing introduction to the superpowers of plants. Each section features a different familiar plant (including mint, daffodils, pineapple, carrots, tea, aloe, maple and more), offering information on its life cycle, its history with people, and a project kids can try at home. Every library should have this extraordinary book!

QH 55 .R49 2022

Richardson, Adele D. **WETLANDS.** Mankato, MN: Bridgestone, 2001.

Simple, descriptive text introduces vocabulary and concepts, including the value of wetlands for water quality and wildlife habitat.

QH 541.5 .M3 R53 2001

Richardson, Gillian. Art by Kim Rosen. **10 PLANTS THAT SHOOK THE WORLD.** Toronto: Annick Press, 2013.

Not just for kids, this book bristles with intriguing facts about the history of papyrus, pepper, tea, sugarcane, cotton, cacao, cinchona, rubber, potato, and corn.

QK 98.5 .A1 R53 2013

Richardson, Julia. **LITTLE DANDELION SEEDS THE WORLD.** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press, 2021,

Whimsical illustrations show dandelions seeding down, sprouting, and blooming around the world.

QK 495 .C74 R53 2021

Ridley, Kimberly. Illustrated by Megan Elizabeth Baratta. **THE SECRET STREAM.** Thomaston, ME: Tilbury House, 2022.

A stream tells its life story as it makes its way to the river, supporting aquatic insects, fish, birds, amphibians, mammals, and plant life along the way.

QH 541.5 .M3 R53 2022

Robbins, Ken. **APPLES.** New York: Atheneum Books, 2002.

Lavish photographs and conversational text make this book the next best thing to a walk through the orchard with a great teacher. Delicious!

SB 363 .R63 2002

Robbins, Ken. **PUMPKINS**. New Milford, CT: Roaring Brook Press, 2006.

Big, bold photos and crisp, clear text make this book a great read-aloud choice. Ken Robbins covers the entire life cycle of the pumpkin, from spring planting through fall harvest.

SB 347 .R62 2006

Robinson, Fay. Illustrated by Jean Cassels. **FANTASTIC FROGS!** New York: Scholastic, 1999.

This lively, factual book about frogs is for beginning readers in kindergarten through second grade.

QL 668 .R63 1999

Robson, Pam. **WHAT'S FOR LUNCH? BANANA.** New York: Children's Press, 1998.

Color photos and clear text explain how bananas are grown, harvested, shipped, and used.

SB 379 .B2 R63 1998

Robson, Pam. **WHAT'S FOR LUNCH? CORN.** New York: Children's Press, 1998.

Colorful photographs illustrate this clear description of how people grow and eat corn worldwide.

SB 351 .C7 R63 1998

Rockliff, Mara. Illustrated by Giselle Potter. **TRY IT! HOW FRIEDA CAPLAN CHANGED THE WAY WE EAT.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2021.

From mushrooms to lychees, learn about the fabulous foods Frieda Caplan introduced to American produce markets during her long career, which began in 1956. Frieda left a thriving specialty produce business to her daughters and granddaughters when she died in 2020.

S 519 .R63 2021

Rockwell, Lizzy. **PLANTS FEED ME**. New York: Holiday House, 2014.

A child gardener introduces readers to favorite plant foods (apples to wheat) and describes how plants feed the world.

SB 324 .R63 2014

Rodríguez, Rachel. Illustrated by Julie Paschkis. **THROUGH GEORGIA'S EYES**. New York: Henry Holt & Company, 2006.

This picture biography celebrates Georgia O'Keeffe's ability to observe and convey "the wideness and wonder of the world."

QK 98.2 .O54 2006

Rogers, Lisa. Illustrations by Chuck Groenink. **16 WORDS: WILLIAM CARLOS WILLIAMS AND "THE RED WHEELBARROW."** New York: Schwartz & Wade, 2019.

This picture book introduces young readers to the poet William Carlos Williams as well as to Mr. Thaddeus Marshall, whose work growing and delivering vegetables in Rutherford, New Jersey inspired Williams' well-known poem, "The Red Wheelbarrow."

SB 470 .M27 R64 2019

Roome, Pat. **YOU CAN BE A HORTICULTURIST**. Self-published, 2021.

A King County Master Gardener wrote this book, which features basic gardening vocabulary and projects.

SB 46 .R6 2021

Root, Phyllis. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. **ANYWHERE FARM.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2017.

What does it take to start a farm? Just one farmer, and one little seed. This inspirational picture book shows that farms grow best when they start small.

S 519 .R66 2017

Rosner, Marc Alan. **SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN GREAT SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS.** New York: Wiley, 2000.

A springboard for upper elementary and middle school students looking for science fair ideas, this detailed book encourages kids to observe closely and think about what they notice. Only some of the projects are plant related.

QH 55 .R67 2000

Ross, Michael Elsohn. Illustrations by Wendy Smith. **NATURE ART WITH CHIURA OBATA.** Minneapolis, MN: Carolrhoda, 2000.

From the Carolrhoda Naturalist's Apprentice series, this inspiring biography of Chiura Obata (who lived from 1885 until 1975) is fascinating and well-illustrated with Obata's art and family photos.

QK 98.2 .O32 2000

Rotner, Shelley; Woodhull, Anne. **THE BUZZ ON BEES: WHY ARE THEY DISAPPEARING?** New York: Holiday House, 2010.

Bright photos and informative text present the importance of bees and the mystery of colony collapse disorder, giving kids information about how to help bees in their area.

QL 568 .R68 2010

Rustad, Martha E. Illustrated by Amanda Enright. **FALL APPLES: CRISP AND JUICY.** Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook, 2012.

This illustrated book about what happens at an apple orchard includes a table of contents, a recipe, a glossary, and a bibliography.

SB 363 .R87 2012

Ruurs, Margriet. Paper sculptures by Ron Broda. **IN MY BACKYARD**. Toronto: Tundra Books, 2007.

Similar in theme to Constance Perenyi's GROWING WILD, this lavishly illustrated book celebrates backyard wildlife. A section at the back gives fun facts and tips for attracting wildlife to your garden.

QL 49 .R88 2007

Ryder, Joanne. Illustrated by Lynne Cherry. **CHIPMUNK SONG.** New York: Dutton, 1987.

Lynne Cherry's fantastic illustrations show a small child acting out the life of a chipmunk, with a real chipmunk lovingly depicted right alongside. Whimsically, the child and the chipmunk are both about four inches tall.

QL 737 .R68 R9 1987

Sanchez, Anita. **THE FOREST IN THE SEA: SEAWEED SOLUTIONS TO PLANETARY PROBLEMS.** New York: Holiday House, 2023.

This nonfiction title for middle readers covers many aspects of seaweed, from its ecological value to its food value.

SB 351.5 .S26 2023

Sanchez, Anita. Illustrated by Luisa Uribe. **HELLO, PUDDLE!** Boston: Clarion, 2022.

Dedicated "to all puddle-lovers, no matter how many legs they have," this picture book shows how frogs, snails, butterflies, birds, bats, and other animals benefit from standing water.

QH 541.5 .M3 S26 2022

Sanchez, Anita. Illustrated by Catherine Stock. **KARL, GET OUT OF THE GARDEN!** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2016.

Born on May 23, 1707, Karl Linne (also known as Carolus Linnaeus) revolutionized the naming of plants by establishing the binomial classification system. This picture book introduces readers to that system and highlights the struggles he faced in his work, from troubles at school to isolated field studies in Lapland.

QH 31 .L69 S26 2016

Sanchez, Anita. Illustrated by Robin Brickman. **LEAFLETS THREE, LET IT BE!** Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills Press, 2014.

This book's clear illustrations and straightforward text help children recognize and avoid poison ivy throughout the year, while also showing the plant's value to wildlife.

QK 495 .A498 S26 2014

Sarathy, Sharanya. **POOL HOUSE SLOTHS.** [no city]: S.l., 2013.

This illustrated true story follows sloths in Suriname as they are rescued from rainforests slated for destruction to be released into remaining forests.

QL 787 .E22 S27 2013

Savage, Candace. **GET GROWING! HOW THE EARTH FEEDS US**. Buffalo, NY: Firefly Books, 1991.

Encourages us to think about our food, addressing issues in a way children can understand. Covers topics such as why we eat, soil, pollution, pests and pesticides, and how current food growing practices affect world hunger.

S 604.5 .S38 1991

Sayre, April Pulley. **FULL OF FALL.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2017.

A companion to Raindrops Roll, this appealing photo-essay on leaves in fall offers details about the science behind color change, as well as a memorable read-aloud experience

QK 649 .S29 2017

Sayre, April Pulley. **RAINDROPS ROLL.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2015.

Beautiful close-up photos and rhythmic descriptive text show and tell what raindrops can do.

QC 145.24 .S29 2015

Scarborough, Kate; Camm, Martin. **A WASP BUILDS A NEST.** Buffalo, NY: Firefly Books, 2016.

We often find pieces of paper wasp nests, and this book will help answer questions about how wasps build them. It gives a good example of life in a tree cavity, too.

QL 568 .V5 S32 2016

Schaefer, Carole Lexa. Illustrated by Lynn Pauley. **IN THE CHILDREN'S GARDEN**. New York: Henry Holt, 1994.

Inspired by a visit to a Seattle children's garden, this book will delight kids with its bright illustrations. The lively text appeals to all five senses.

SB 457 .S35 1994

Schaefer, Carole Lexa. Illustrated by Pierr Morgan. **THE CHILDREN'S GARDEN**. Seattle: Little Bigfoot, 2017.

This updated and slightly retitled edition gives more specific details about the Children's Garden managed by Tilth Alliance on the Good Shepherd Center grounds in Seattle. Children work with compost, plant seeds, shoo away crows, relax in a bean teepee, and welcome friends at the gate.

SB 457 .S35 2017

Schaefer, Lola M. and Adam Schaefer. Illustrated by Frann Preston-Gannon. **BECAUSE OF AN ACORN.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2013.

The complex interplay of plants and animals in a forest is the subject of this clever book. Simple text and vivid pictures show readers how, for example, a snake might feed a hawk who might perch on a branch, knocking down an acorn which might grow into a mighty oak.

QH 48 .S32 2016

Schaefer, Lola M. **LIFETIME: THE AMAZING NUMBERS IN ANIMAL LIVES.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2013.

Did you know that a giant swallowtail butterfly visits about nine hundred flowers in a lifetime? This is a different kind of counting book, with fascinating facts and mind-boggling numbers that bring out the fun in math.

QL 49 .S32 2013

Schaub, Michelle. Illustrated by Anne Lambelet. **LEAFY LANDMARKS: TRAVELS WITH TREES.** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press,2024.

Fans of Seattle's Wishing Tree, Oklahoma City's Survivor Tree, Methuselah in California, and other great trees will want to see this illustrated collection of poetry about trees to visit all over the United States.

SB 435 .S32 2024

Schmalzer, Sigrid. Illustrated by Melanie Linden Chan. **MOTH AND WASP, SOIL AND OCEAN: REMEMBERING CHINESE SCIENTIST PU ZHELONG'S WORK FOR SUSTAINABLE FARMING.** Thomaston, ME: Tilbury House, 2018.

Pu Zhelong's pioneering use of parasitic wasps to protect Chinese farm crops from insect pests is described in this picture book.

QH 31 .P8 S34 2018

Schmid, Debi; Hedegaard, Lise. **PLANTS IN DISGUISE: FEATURES OF CREATURES IN FLOWERS AND FOLIAGE.** Missoula, MT: Mountain Press Publishing Company, 2017.

Vibrant illustrations show plants with animal-related names such as coltsfoot, hawksbeard, and monkey flower, along with their namesake and a sketch showing what part of the plant resembles the animal. The authors both live in Washington and credit the University of Washington's Burke Museum Herbarium among their sources.

QK 49 .S36 2017

Schuh, Mari. **CARROTS GROW UNDERGROUND.** North Mankato, MN: Capstone, 2011.

Part of the HOW FRUITS AND VEGETABLES GROW series from Pebble/Capstone.

SB 324 .S34 2011a

Schuh, Mari. **LETTUCE GROWS ON THE GROUND.** North Mankato, MN: Capstone, 2011.

Especially appropriate for classroom use, this book from the HOW FRUITS AND VEGETABLES GROW series includes a glossary of terms.

SB 324 .S34 2011b

Scott, Katie (illustrator); Kirkham, Tony (author). **ARBORETUM**. London: Big Picture Press, 2023.

Trees loom large in this book from the Welcome to the Museum series.

Oversize SB 435.7 .S36 2022

Scott, Katie (illustrator); Willis, Kathy (author). **BOTANICUM**. London: Big Picture Press, 2016.

Engaging for all ages, this large format illustrated book can be found with other extra-large items in the compact shelving.

Oversize QK 50 .S36 2016

Scott, Katie (illustrator); Willis, Kathy (author). **FUNGARIUM**. London: Big Picture Press, 2020.

Huge illustrations bring fungi to life in this book from the Welcome to the Museum series.

Oversize SB 353 .S36 2020

SEASONS: CHANGE IN THE NATURAL WORLD. New York: Play Bac Publishing, 2009.

Large, bright photos make this book a standout for preschoolers, who will also enjoy the silly rhymes.

QC 981.3 .S42 2009

words attributed to Chief Seattle, illustrated by Susan Jeffers. **BROTHER EAGLE, SISTER SKY.** New York: Dial Books, 1991.

"The earth does not belong to us. We belong to the earth." Chief Seattle's powerful message echoes in Susan Jeffers' delicately rendered paintings. Worthwhile for all ages.

QK 98.6 .W2 S42 1991

Selsam, Millicent E. **PLAY WITH PLANTS.** New York: William Morrow and Company, 1978.

An old book which is still an excellent guidebook for kids interested in botany experiments, this black-and-white standout has information on propagation as well as basic plant physiology.

QH 55 .S45 1978

Sepahban, Lois. **PAPER WISHES.** New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2016.

This fictionalized account of 10-year-old Manami's forced relocation from Bainbridge Island to Manzanar camp with her family in 1942 includes a list of resources for learning more about this difficult chapter of our region's history.

SB 451 .S47 2016

Shaffer, Jody Jensen. Illustrated by Christopher Silas Neal. **CREEK, LEAP, CRUNCH! A FOOD CHAIN STORY.** New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2023.

Bear, fox, snake, hawk, and all plant and animal life in the forest are connected in this picture book about the food chain.

QH 48 .S42 2023

Shannon, George. Illustrated by Laura Dronzek. **WHITE IS FOR BLUEBERRY.** New York: Greenwillow Books, 2005.

A fantastic read-aloud book for preschoolers and school age kids, this color book takes a refreshing approach: let's look at the color something really is, not the color we'd expect it to be! For instance, "Pink is for crow...when it has just hatched from its egg."

QH 48 .S26 2005

Shapiro, David. Illustrated by Hayley Vair. **FLOWERS BY NUMBER.** Portland, Oregon: Craigmore Creations, 2013.

This counting book goes from zero flowers (a blanket of snow) to ten orange Columbia lilies. Published in Oregon, it features Pacific Northwest native wildflowers.

QK 144 .S42 2013

Siddals, Mary McKenna. Illustrated by Ashley Wolff. **COMPOST STEW: AN A TO Z RECIPE FOR THE EARTH.** Berkeley: Tricycle Press, 2010.

This well-illustrated alphabet book and composting guide is fun and useful for kids, parents, and teachers.

S 661 .S53 2010

Sidman, Joyce. **THE GIRL WHO DREW BUTTERFLIES: HOW MARIA MERIAN'S ART CHANGED SCIENCE.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2018.

Some have called Maria Sibylla Merian (born in 1647) the world's first ecologist, even though the word "ecology" was not coined until more than 50 years after her death. As this illustrated biography details, her scientific illustrations documented insect life cycles and associated plant species at a time when other naturalists were still proponents of Aristotle's theory of spontaneous generation.

QK 98.2 .M47 S53 2018

Sidman, Joyce. Illustrated by Beth Krommes. **SWIRL BY SWIRL: SPIRALS IN NATURE.** New York: Houghton Mifflin, 2011.

Dramatic illustrations with the look of hand-colored block prints take center stage in this beautiful book about spiral shapes, from uncoiling fern fronds to the spiral arms of galaxies.

QK 50 .S53 2011

Sidman, Joyce. Illustrated by Beth Krommes. **WE ARE BRANCHES.** New York: Houghton Mifflin, 2011.

This strikingly poetic book shows readers how "branching is the shape of life."

QK 50 .S53 2023

Silver, Donald M. Illustrated by Patricia J. Wynne. **ONE SMALL SQUARE: BACKYARD.** New York: W.H. Freeman, 1993.

"This book is about discovering what's happening in your backyard." So begins this illustrated guide to applying scientific methods when observing the plants, animals, and even rocks right under your nose.

QH 48 .S55 1993

Silver, Donald M. Illustrated by Patricia J. Wynne. **ONE SMALL SQUARE: CAVE.** New York: W.H. Freeman, 1993.

The detailed illustrations and descriptive text of this book from the One Small Square series highlight cave life, from the twilight zone at a cave's entrance to the darkest underwater zones.

QH 48 .S55 1993a

Silver, Donald M. Illustrated by Patricia J. Wynne. **ONE SMALL SQUARE: POND.** New York: W.H. Freeman, 1993.

This fantastic series introduces concepts of biological science such as sampling and direct observation with illustrations and text that engage the imagination of young readers. This volume features algae, kingfishers, turtles, and other types of pond life.

QH 48 .S55 1994

Silver, Donald M. Illustrated by Patricia J. Wynne. **ONE SMALL SQUARE: WOODS.** New York: W.H. Freeman, 1995.

Part of the One Small Square series, this well-illustrated volume helps young naturalists learn about fungi, trees, woodland birds, skunks, and other living things by observing evidence of life in a cubic meter of forest.

QH 48 .S55 1995

Silver, Erin. Illustrated by Julie McLaughlin. **PLANT ATTACK! THE FASCINATING WASY FLORA DEFENDS ITSELF.** Vancouver, BC: Orca Book Publishers, 2025.

Vivid illustrations and unexpected facts help readers get to know corpse flower, Venus flytrap, coconut, and other plants.

QH 48 .S55 2025

Silver, Maggie. **WHO LIVES HERE? A LIFT-THE-FLAP RIDDLE BOOK.** Denton, TX: 2007.

Vibrant illustrations and simple riddles keep young children engaged as they look for the fox, the hummingbird, the paper wasp, and other animals in this well-designed book.

QL 49 .S55 2007

Silverman, Erica. Illustrated by Ginny Hsu. **THE CITY SINGS GREEN & OTHER POEMS ABOUT WELCOMING WILDLIFE.** New York: HarperCollins, 2024.

This picture book is filled with poems and informative text about successful urban restoration work worldwide.

QH 541.5 .C6 S55 2024

Silvey, Anita. **THE PLANT HUNTERS.** New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2011.

Covering the eighteenth century through our own, this fascinating illustrated account of the lives of the plant hunters is rich in detail.

QK 26 .S57 2011

Singh, Rina. Illustrated by Marianne Ferrer. **111 TREES: HOW ONE VILLAGE CELEBRATES THE BIRTH OF EVERY GIRL.** Toronto, Ontario: Kids Can Press, 2020.

This colorful picture book chronicles the hard and important work of changing unjust customs and healing land by way of the life story of Sundar Paliwal.

SB 63 .P25 .S56 2020

Sís, Peter. **THE TREE OF LIFE.** New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2003.

Intricate illustrations and engaging text (including excerpts from Darwin's letters and journals) make this biography of Charles Darwin perfect for all ages.

QH 31 .D2 S57 2003

Sisson, Stephanie Roth. **SPRING AFTER SPRING: HOW RACHEL CARSON INSPIRED THE ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT.** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2018.

Rachel Carson's nature-imbued youth and her courageous work to protect birds and sea life come through in this beautifully illustrated picture biography.

QH 31 .C33 S57 2017

Slade, Suzanne. **OUT OF SCHOOL AND INTO NATURE: THE ANNA COMSTOCK STORY.** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press, 2017.

Anna Comstock (1854-1930) studied science at a time when few women could, and through her work she brought nature studies (both inside and outside the classroom) to students all over the United States. This picture book makes her life story accessible to today's students.

QH 31 .C66 S53 2017

Slade, Suzanne. Illustrated by Carol Schwartz. **WHAT IF THERE WERE NO BEES?: A BOOK ABOUT THE GRASSLAND ECOSYSTEM.**

Pictures and text clarify the key role of honeybees in ecosystems and in our food system.

QL 568 .S52 2011

Smith, Matthew Clark. Illustrated by Giuliano Ferri. **SMALL WONDERS: JEAN-HENRI FABRE AND HIS WORLD OF INSECTS.** New York: Two Lions, 2015.

Fabre's passion for watching insects in their natural habitats and learning about them as living beings (not pinned specimens) comes through vibrantly in this picture biography.

QL 31 .F2 S65 2015

Socha, Piotr. Text by Wojciech Grajkowski. **BEES: A HONEYED HISTORY.** New York: Abrams, 2017.

The truly huge size (nearly 15 by 11 inches) and eye-catching yellow and black cover make this book stand out on the shelf. What's inside is fascinating, too: the story of bees from prehistoric times to the present, including illustrations of diverse beehives from around the world.

QL 568 .A6 S63 2015

Soloy, Lauren. **WHEN EMILY WAS SMALL.** Toronto, ON: Tundra Books, 2020.

Inspired by the writings of the famous Canadian artist Emily Carr, this lively picture book celebrates the fun and power of getting outdoors.

QK 98.2 .C37 S65 2020

Staats, Ann McCallum. Illustrated by Zoë Ingram. **FANTASTIC FLORA: THE WORLD'S BIGGEST, BADDEST, AND SMELLIEST PLANTS.** Somerville, MA: MIT Kids Press, 2025.

From giant sequoia to tiny lithops, plants are amazing! Recommended for ages 8-12, this book provides intriguing facts about how plants survive and interact with animals, including humans.

QK 49 .S73 2025

Stetson, Emily. **KIDS' EASY-TO-CREATE WILDLIFE HABITATS.** Nashville, TN: Williamson, 2004.

Colorful and useful, this book details straightforward ways to create wildlife habitat in small spaces. The text is written in a clear style for kids themselves.

QL 49 .S84 2004

Stewart, Alexandra; Todd-Standton, Joe. **DARWIN & HOOKER**. London: Bloomsbury, 2022.

The subtitle of this vividly illustrated and carefully researched book is apt: "A story of friendship, curiosity and discovery that changed the world."

QK 31 .H66 S84 2022

Stewart, Melissa. Illustrated by Amy Hevron. **TREE HOLE HOMES: DAYTIME DENS AND NIGHTTIME NOOKS.** New York: Random House Studio, 2022.

Wood ducks, brown bears, sugar gliders, raccoons and other animals enliven the pages of this book, illustrated by a Seattle artist.

SB 436.8 .S84 2022

Stewart, Melissa; Young, Allen. Illustrated by Nicole Wong. **NO MONKEYS, NO CHOCOLATE**. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2013.

Full of bright, detailed pictures and light enough on text for sharing with preschoolers, this pictorial investigation into the ecology behind chocolate is a winner!

SB 267 .S67 2013

Strauss, Rochelle. Illustrated by Margot Thompson. **TREE OF LIFE: THE INCREDIBLE BIODIVERSITY OF LIFE ON EARTH.** Toronto, ON: Kids Can Press, 2004.

Did you know there are over 270,000 species of plants? In this book, all life on Earth is presented as a tree, where humans are "one leaf among 1,750,000."

QH 75 .S87 2004

Strauss, Rochelle. Illustrated by Rosemary Woods. **ONE WELL: THE STORY OF WATER ON EARTH.** Toronto, ON: Kids Can Press, 2007.

Water is a necessity of life on earth. In this picture book, readers can learn about the water cycle and ways to protect the water supply.

QC 145.24 .S87 2007

Suzuki, David T. **LOOKING AT PLANTS**. New York: Warner Books, 1987.

Written by the host of the PBS TV show "The Nature of Things," this idea book teaches an appreciation of living, growing things, and includes simple "Rules for Nature Lovers."

QH 55 .S89 1987

Swain, Su Zan Noguchi. **PLANTS OF WOODLAND AND WAYSIDE**. Garden City, NY: Garden City Books, 1958.

An oldie but a goodie, this illustrated field guide to commonly encountered plants will get curious kids excited about what they can find outside. Even seaweed appears!

QH 48 .S82 1958

Swanson, Ernest; Houstie, Ben; Bulpitt, Corey; others. **BIG AND SMALL WITH NORTHWEST COAST NATIVE ART.** Vancouver, BC: Native Northwest, 2019.

Frog and mosquito, sun and raindrop, heron and crab, and several other big and small pairs are shown in artwork by eight different First Nations and Native artists.

Board Book

Tagholm, Sally. Illustrated by Bert Kitchen. **ANIMAL LIVES: THE BARN OWL**. London: Kingfisher, 1999.

Clear text and luminous illustrations detail the life cycle of the barn owl in this beautiful book.

QL 696 .S85 T24 1999

Tagholm, Sally. Illustrated by Jane McGuinness. **WE ARE THE WIBBLY! A TADPOLE'S TAIL.** New York: Bloomsbury, 2024.

A personable tadpole explains the frog life cycle in this amusing and informative picture book.

QL 668 .T24 2024

Tahta, Sophy. **WHY IS NIGHT DARK?** Tulsa, OK: Educational Development Corporation, 1990.

Part of the Usborne Starting Point Science series, this slim booklet gives wonderfully clear explanations of complex topics, such as seasons, time zones, and eclipses.

QC 976 .N5 T24 1990

Taylor, Barbara. **GREEN THUMBS UP! THE SCIENCE OF GROWING PLANTS**. New York: Random House, 1992.

A part of the "Step Into Science" series, this book is divided into subsections, each of which presents a different plant topic through general introductory text and a fun learning project. Adults might find some of the projects, such as determining pollution levels in your area, particularly interesting.

QH 55 .T29 1992

Taylor, Barbara. **INVISIBLE WORLDS: INSIDE PLANTS**. New York: Marshall Cavendish, 2011.
Color photos, many of them taken through a microscope, give a clear picture of the inner workings of plant cells, seeds, and spores. The text is clear and informative.
QK 711.5 .T29 2011

Taylor, Barbara. **MEADOW.** New York: Dorling Kindersley, 1992.
An up close and personal look at the plants and animals that inhabit a meadow, this book combines stunning photography with informative text. See also **TREE LIFE** (by Theresa Greenaway).
QL 115.5 .T2 1992

Taylor, Barbara. **RIVER LIFE** New York: Dorling Kindersley, 1992.
Both **MEADOW** and **RIVER LIFE** are in the Look Closer series, and they really do look closer! This one shows fish and turtles underwater and birds in flight, as well as rats, snakes, bats, crayfish, and mayflies.
QL 49 .T2 1992

Taylor, Kim. **SECRET WORLDS: HIDDEN UNDERNEATH.** New York: Delacourt, 1990.
This fascinating book about the animals that live hidden underneath logs, sand, stones, bark, and leaves is written at an elementary school reading level.
QL 49 .T29 1990

Tentler-Krylov, Victoria. **THE HIGH LINE: A PARK TO LOOK UP TO.** New York: Abrams, 2023.
This historical picture book reaches back to the mid-1800s, when freight trains ran at street level in New York, through the heyday of elevated rail, to the inception of the High Line as a park in the 1990s, and forward to its further development in the future. It also touches on the power of public spaces worldwide to be inclusive and provide room for the arts and education.
SB 466 .U7 H54 2023

Thomas, Eric; White, John T. **HEDGEROW**. New York: William Morrow, 1980.
One of the early books conceived by Dorling Kindersley Limited, this picture book with informative text is captivating for nature lovers of all ages. The plants and wildlife of the hedgerow shine in fantastic watercolor illustrations which even show the historical use of hedgerow wood in crafting tools and furniture.
QK 306 .T46 1980

Thomson, Ruth. **USBORNE FIRST NATURE: TREES.** London: Usborne, 1980.
An excerpt from the **Usborne First Book of Nature** that describes the way trees work, complete with color illustrations.
QH 541.14 .T46 1980

Thompson, Holly. Illustrated by Toshiki Nakamura. **LISTENING TO TREES: GEORGE NAKASHIMA, WOODWORKER.** New York: Neal Porter, 2024.
Did you know that the famed woodworker George Nakashima was born in Spokane, Washington? Learn about his life and his craft in this picture biography filled with haibun poems.
QK 98.2 .N25 T46 2024

Thoreau, Henry David. Edited by Steven Schnur; illustrated by Peter Fiore. **HENRY DAVID'S HOUSE**. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2002.

Thoreau's own words (excerpts from *Walden*) are carefully selected by Schnur and illustrated with glowing paintings by Fiore in this treasured picture book.

SB 455.5 .T46 T46 2002

Thornhill, Jan. **A TREE IN A FOREST**. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1991.

"From the instant its life begins, every tree in the forest has its own special story to tell. This is one story - the story of a maple tree. Its life begins more than two hundred years ago, long before your great-great-great grandparents were ever born." This story is told through delightful color illustrations and prose. It is a book to read again and again, each time noticing some new picture detail or story element.

QH 541.5.F6 T53 1992

Thorogood, Chris. Illustrated by Amy Grimes. **WHEN PLANTS TOOK OVER THE PLANET**. Beverley, MA: Quarto, 2021.

Colorful and fact-filled, this picture book explains how plant life on earth has evolved over hundreds of millions of years. It is for library use only.

Tall Shelves QE 905 .T46 2021

Thorogood, Chris. Illustrated by Catell Ronca. **PERFECTLY PECULIAR PLANTS**. Lake Forest, CA: Quarto Books, 2018.

Vivid illustrations and surprising facts about Venus flytrap, giant waterlily, lithops, saguaro cactus, and other plants will captivate young readers.

QH 48 .T46 2018

Udry, Janice May. Illustrated by Marc Simont. **A TREE IS NICE.** New York: HarperCollins, 1956.

A charming reminder of the reasons we value trees, this little book encourages kids to plant trees and watch them grow.

SB 435 .U37 1956

Vast, Émilie. **PLANTS ON THE MOVE.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2021.

Engaging text and appealing, high-contrast illustrations illuminate seed travels and other methods of plant reproduction.

QK 929 .V37 2021

Verdet, Jean-Pierre. **LIGHT: A FIRST DISCOVERY BOOK.** New York: Scholastic, 1994.

The First Discovery books are beloved by children, parents, and teachers for their bright illustrations, sturdy pages and bindings, and clear explanations of scientific concepts. Even the youngest kids will enjoy learning how the sun's light supports life on earth.

QC 360 .V47 1992

THE VISUAL DICTIONARY OF PLANTS. New York: Dorling Kindersley, 1992.

Hundreds of color photos and drawings clearly illustrate the fascinating world of germination, pollination, roots, and flowers. Not just for kids, this book is also found in our regular lending collection.

QK 50 .V57 1992

Vitosh, Mark and Ashley. Illustrated by John L. Smith. **THE FOREST WHERE ASHLEY LIVES.** Ames, IA: Iowa State University Extension, 2000.

Co-authored by a fourth grader and her dad, this introduction to the urban forest is colorful, fun, and educational. It details what trees do for people and what people of all ages can do for trees. Check out the accompanying CD from our lending collection.

SB 436 .V58 2000 and **Lending CD 36 2003**

Voake, Charlotte. Text by Kate Petty. **A LITTLE GUIDE TO WILD FLOWERS.** London: Transworld, 2004.

Do you know your buttercup from your marsh marigold? Your gorse from your fumitory? Though produced in the UK for the Eden Project, this book contains many wayside flowers commonly seen in the Pacific Northwest, as well.

QK 49 .V62 2004

Wagstaffe, Johanna. Illustrated by Julie McLaughlin. **LITTLE PINE CONE: WILDFIRES AND THE NATURAL WORLD.** Victoria, BC: Orca, 2022.

A pine cone narrates this well-researched book about wildfires and their role in ecosystems. It includes information about the effects of climate change on fire season in British Columbia and around the world.

QH 541.5 .F6 W24 2022

Walker, Sally M. Illustrated by Angela Mckay. **TREES: HAIKU FROM ROOTS TO LEAVES.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2023.

These illustrated haiku poems celebrate wild forests, street trees, fall color, prehistoric trees, redwoods, and much more.

SB 436.8 .W25 2023

Wallace, Karen. **BORN TO BE A BUTTERFLY.** New York: DK, 2000.

Graded for beginning readers, this illustrated guide to metamorphosis will hold a child's interest.

QL 544 .W25 2000

Ward, Jennifer. Illustrated by Jamichael Henterly. **FOREST BRIGHT FOREST NIGHT.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 2007.

Readers can count woodpeckers, garter snakes, frogs, owls, crickets, chipmunks, and other Pacific Northwest animals in a forest rich with trees, trilliums, ponds, and hollow logs.

Board Book

Ward, Jennifer. Illustrated by Lisa Falkenstern. **THE BUSY TREE.** Tarrytown, NY: Marshall Cavendish, 2009.

Big, bold illustrations and rhythmic text introduce preschoolers to the vitality of trees in this charming read-aloud.

SB 436.8 .W27 2009

Waters, Gregory J. **ATLAS OF PLANTS: A FIRST DISCOVERY BOOK.** New York: Scholastic, 1994.

This sturdy little book from the First Discovery series features iconic plants from around the world, such as redwoods, rice, saguaro cacti, and cacao.

QK 49 .W28 1994

Watts, Barrie. **APPLE TREE**. Morristown, NJ: Silver Burdett, 1987.

Describes in uncomplicated text and illustrations how an apple develops from a blossom in the spring to a ripe fruit in the autumn.

SB 363 .W28 1987

Watts, Barrie. **BIRDS' NEST**. Morristown, NJ: Silver Burdett, 1987.

Close-up photos and text on two difficulty levels (large print for beginning readers and smaller print for more advanced readers) show how blue titmice nest and raise young inside a birdhouse.

QL 681 .W28 1987

Watts, Barrie. **DANDELION**. Morristown, NJ: Silver Burdett, 1987.

Describes and illustrates how a dandelion changes from a flower to a dandelion clock and how the seeds blow away.

SB 611 .W28 1987

Wells, Robert E. **WHY DO ELEPHANTS NEED THE SUN?** Chicago: Albert Whitman, 2010.

This small book about big ideas explains the sun's role in photosynthesis as well as weather and gravity.

QK 882 .W45 2010

Wexler, Jerome. **FLOWERS, FRUITS, SEEDS.** New York: Prentice Hall, 1987.

Big photographs and straightforward text make this an ideal read-aloud introduction to the life cycle of angiosperms. The text explains how plants produce flowers in order to produce fruits (some edible and some that should never be eaten) that contain seeds—which produce more plants.

QK 711.5 .W49 1987

Wexler, Jerome. **JACK-IN-THE-PULPIT.** New York: Dutton, 1993.

Detailed plant dissection photographs, along with photos taken in the wild, illustrate the physiology of this wildflower.

SB 410 .A685 W49 1993

WHAT'S INSIDE? PLANTS: A FIRST GUIDE TO THE WONDERS AND WORKINGS OF PLANT LIFE. London: Dorling Kindersley, 1992.

The format of this book helps young children understand how plants grow and flower. Each page has two bold illustrations: one showing the plant from the outside, the second one revealing the inner parts.

QK 49 .P53 1992

Wiesman, Kay. Illustrated by Roy Henry Vickers. **IF YOU WANT TO VISIT A SEA GARDEN.** Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2020.

Stunning silhouette illustrations pair with evocative text in this description of Indigenous clam gardens of the Northwest.

QK 143 .W45 2020

Wilcox, Merrie-Ellen. **NATURE OUT OF BALANCE: HOW INVASIVE SPECIES ARE CHANGING THE PLANET.** Victoria, BC: Orca, 2021.

Victoria, British Columbia author Merrie-Ellen Wilcox describes efforts locally and around the world to protect ecosystems and to understand how native plants and introduced species function in them.

QH 79 .W55 2021

Wilkes, Angela. **MY FIRST GARDEN BOOK**. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1992.

Each page brims with life-size color pictures and clear instructions which explain a simple growing project. Activities range from growing spring bulbs and sprouts indoors to creating hanging baskets and collecting seeds.

SB 457 .W54 1992

Williams, Rachel. Illustrated by Carnovsky. **ILLUMINATURE.** New York: Wide Eyed Editions, 2016.

Using the tri-color filter provided in the book, readers of all ages can spot diurnal and nocturnal animals as well as the plant life of featured habitats, including the Redwood Forest and the Andes Mountains.

QL 49 .W55 2016

Windsor, Paul. **GOOD MORNING WORLD.** Vancouver, BC: Native Northwest, 2024.

Frogs, seals, bears, eagles, salmon and other Northwest animals welcome a new day in this colorful board book.

Board Book

Wishinsky, Frieda. Illustrated by Son Nan Zhang. **THE MAN WHO MADE PARKS: THE STORY OF PARKBUILDER FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED**. Ontario: Tundra Books, 1999.

This storybook presents the life and times of Frederick Law Olmsted, spotlighting his lasting contribution to urban life all over North America. It is a must-read picture book for any child who loves green space.

SB 470 .O5 W57 1999

Wood, Douglas. Illustrated by P.J. Lynch. **NO ONE BUT YOU.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2011.

In this luminous book, each child in a group notices and experiences unique things during a day outdoors together.

QH 48 .W66 2011

Wood, John Norris; Dean, Kevin. **JUNGLES.** New York: Scholastic, 2002.

In the Nature Hide & Seek series, this colorful book comes with its own magnifying glass so kids can find the camouflaged animals in 5 different fold-out jungle scenes. Each scene precedes a page of illustrated text about the animals and their habits.

QH 541.5 .F6 W6 2002

Yang, James. **A BOY NAMED ISAMU: A STORY OF ISAMU NOGUCHI.** New York: Penguin Random House, 2021.

Illustrations depict everyday childhood experiences as seeds and inspirations for Isamu Noguchi's unique and appealing sculptures and landscape designs.

QK 98.2 .N64 Y26 2021

Yazdani, Ashley Benham. **A GREEN PLACE TO BE: THE CREATION OF CENTRAL PARK.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2019.

How did Central Park, "a vibrant jewel at the heart of New York City" come to be? This picture book tells that story in beautiful detail, reminding readers that parks (and history) are for everyone.

SB 466 .U6 C46 2019

Yezerski, Thomas F. **MEADOWLANDS: A WETLANDS SURVIVAL STORY.** New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2011.

This well-illustrated book explains the history and restoration of an 8,400-acre salt marsh on the Hackensack River.

QH 541.5 .M3 Y49 2011

Yolen, Jane. Illustrated by Bob Marstall. **ON DUCK POND.** North Carolina: The Cornell Lab, 2017.

Readers can explore pond ecology and learn to recognize ten kinds of wetland birds in this picture book from the Cornell Lab.

QH 541.5 .M3 Y65 2017

Zimmerman, Laura K. Illustrated by Jamie Green. **MUSHROOM RAIN.** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press, 2022.

This vivid picture book celebrates the wide variety of mushrooms that pop up after a rainstorm.

SB 353 .Z56 2022

BOOKS FOR YOUTH
Fiction

Ahlberg, Janet and Allan. **EACH PEACH PEAR PLUM.** London, England: Penguin, 1999.

Tom Thumb, the Three Bears, Robin Hood, and a host of other characters gather in an orchard for pie.

Board Book

Alary, Laura. Illustrated by Kass Reich. **WHAT GREW IN LARRY'S GARDEN.** Toronto: Kids Can Press, 2020.

Inspired by a true story, this picture book tells how neighbors worked together to solve problems, growing tomatoes and a greener community.

SB 455 .A52 2020

Alderson, Sue Ann. **THE ECO-DIARY OF KIRAN SINGER.** Vancouver, BC: Tradewind Books, 2007.

This lovingly illustrated book deals with an important issue for kids and adults alike: when we consider environmental threats such as habitat loss and global warming, it can be scary, and we can feel overwhelmed and powerless. Kiran's grandmother provides a solution. Kiran can come to the bog with her and care for "a bit of the planet right here practically in our backyard that needs looking after." Kiran's observations are simply inspirational!

SB 455 .A54 2007

Alemagna, Beatrice. **ON A MAGICAL DO-NOTHING DAY.** New York: HarperCollins, 2016.

A child's boredom at being outdoors with no plan gradually turns to wonder as the day fills with spontaneous imaginative adventures.

SB 455 .A54 2016

Aliki. **QUIET IN THE GARDEN**. New York: Greenwillow Books, 2009.

This picture book is an ode to a day spent communing with the birds, butterflies, snails, flowers, and garden plants, culminating in a picnic made from garden produce.

SB 455 .A55 2009

Altman, Linda Jacobs. Illustrated by Enrique O. Sanchez. **AMELIA'S ROAD.** New York: Lee and Low, 1993.

Amelia travels with her family as they migrate to find farm work. When she finds a favorite place, somewhere she'd like to stay, how will she cope with her family's need to move on?

SB 455 .A48 1993

Amado, Elisa. Illustrated by Manuel Monroy. **WHY ARE YOU DOING THAT?** Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2014.

As young Chepito moves through his neighborhood, he never stops asking questions. By lunchtime, he has learned a lot about local farming and food production and has bananas to share with his family.

SB 455 .A62 2014

Amstutz, Lisa J. Illustrated by Talitha Shipman. **APPLESAUCE DAY**. Chicago: Albert Whitman, 2017.

Maria's family makes applesauce together using her grandmother's recipe in this wholesome fall story.

SB 455 .A67 2017

Anderson, Sara. **A DAY AT THE MARKET**. Brooklyn: Handprint Books, 2006.

Local author and illustrator Sara Anderson celebrates Seattle's Pike Place Market in this large-format board book.

Board Book

Anderson, Shannon. Pictures by Jaclyn Sinquett. **I LOVE STRAWBERRIES!** Washington, DC: Feeding Minds Press, 2022.

Jolie keeps a journal as she and her pet rabbit Munchy embark on a project to grow their own strawberries.

SB 455 .A63 2022

Anholt, Laurence. **CAMILLE AND THE SUNFLOWERS.** Hauppauge, NY: Barron's, 1994.

In this story about Vincent van Gogh, Laurence Anholt employs a bold and colorful style.

SB 455 .A64 1994

Anholt, Laurence. **THE MAGICAL GARDEN OF CLAUDE MONET.** Hauppauge, NY: Barron's, 2003.

A girl and her dog get a tour of Giverny from Claude Monet himself in this beautifully illustrated story.

SB 455 .A64 2003

Anstee, Ashlyn. **NO, NO, GNOME!** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2016.

Students at Greenthumb Elementary are nearly ready to harvest their vegetables, but their classmate the gnome gets a little too excited, and his antics cause problems for the whole class. Will he repair the damage done and regain a place in the garden?

SB 455 .A67 2016

Anthony, Joseph. Illustrated by Cris Arbo. **IN A NUTSHELL.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 1999.

The life cycle of a particular oak tree proceeds in lyrical detail, from its beginning as one little acorn to its reunion with the soil, where its decomposition will nourish other trees. Colorful pictures highlight the tree's connections to local wildlife and people.

SB 455 .A68 1999

Anthony, Joseph. Illustrated by Cris Arbo. **THE DANDELION SEED.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 1997.

Follow the last dandelion seed of fall from its perch atop the seed head, over the housetops, city, beach, and countryside and finally back to earth, where it will sprout and begin the cycle anew.

SB 455 .A68 1997

Anthony, Joseph. Illustrated by Cris Arbo. **THE DANDELION SEED'S BIG DREAM.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 1997.

A seed dreams of becoming a dandelion, while in the background a community garden grows.

SB 455 .A68 2014

Applegate, Katherine. **WISHTREE.** New York: Feiwel and Friends, 2017.

Dedicated to "newcomers and welcomers," this novel for young readers features a red oak tree as narrator. When an immigrant family comes under threat, Red the oak and Bongo the crow hatch a plan to foster respect and kindness among their human neighbors.

SB 455 .A66 2017

Archer, Micha. **DANIEL FINDS A POEM.** New York, NY: Nancy Paulsen Books, 2016.

When Daniel notices a poster for Poetry in the Park, he wonders "What is poetry?" His observations in the landscape inspire him to compose a poem of his own.

SB 455 .A73 2016

Archer, Micha. **WHAT'S NEW, DANIEL?** New York, NY: Nancy Paulsen Books, 2024.

Daniel explores the park, checking in with the rocks, blackbirds, ducks, polliwogs, ferns, squirrels, and his grandfather to learn what's new.

SB 455 .A73 2024

Argueta, Jorge. Illustrated by Rafael Yockteng. **SOPA DE FRIJOLES/BEAN SOUP.** Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2009.

The young chef and family pictured in this Spanish and English "cooking poem" enjoy preparing bean soup and gathering to eat it. The author is a native Salvadoran and Pipil Nahua Indian, while the illustrator, originally from Peru, now lives and works in Colombia.

SB 455 .A73 2009

Ashman, Linda. **¡LLUVIA!/RAIN!** Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2019.

The first edition of this humorous book won an Ezra Jack Keats award. Now available in this bilingual board book edition, the story hinges on the different perspectives two people have on rain.

Board Book

Ashman, Sarah. **HOLLY BLOOM'S GARDEN.** Brooklyn, NY: Flashlight Press, 2004.

Everyone in Holly Bloom's family has a green thumb, except Holly! Follow her dogged attempts at gardening and giggle at her eventual triumph in this funny book.

SB 455 .A74 2004

Assaly, Melissa. Illustrated by April dela Noche Milne. **THE IMPERFECT GARDEN.** Markham, Ontario: Fitzhenry & Whiteside, 2019.

This book celebrates the lumpy, bumpy, funny shapes of homegrown produce in a story about Mom and Jay gardening and cooking together.

SB 455 .A88 2019

Atinuke. Illustrated by Angela Brooksbank. **BABY GOES TO MARKET.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2017.

Set in a Nigerian market, this counting book tells a story that will bring laughter to preschoolers and early elementary students.

SB 455 .A85 2017

Ayres, Pam. Illustrated by Graham Percy. **WHEN DAD CUTS DOWN THE CHESTNUT TREE**. New York: Knopf, 1988.

The rhyming text lists all the beautiful things Dad can make from wood if he cuts down the chestnut tree, and then all the beautiful things the kids will miss about the tree. In the end, the children proclaim, "Trees are special, large or small, So Dad—don't cut it down at all!"

SB 455 .A97 1988

Azarian, Mary. **A GARDENER'S ALPHABET.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2000.

From Arbor to Zucchini, these whimsical woodcuts are just plain fun.

SB 455 .A92 2000

Baguley, Elizabeth. Illustrated by Aurélie Blanz. **JUST LIKE BROTHERS.** Cambridge, MA: Barefoot Books, 2018.

Baguley's rhythmic text has a bewitching lilt reminiscent of fairy tales. Unlike most fairy tales, though, fearful imaginings give way to peaceful kinship as the characters overcome their prejudices.

SB 455 .B24 2018

Baker, Jeannie. **HOME**. New York: Greenwillow, 2004.

Incredibly detailed collage illustrations take center stage in this nearly wordless book about urban renewal through gardening.

SB 455 .B26 2004

Baker, Keith. **LITTLE GREEN.** San Diego: Harcourt, 2001.

Written and illustrated by a Seattle author, this vivid book captures the joy of watching a hummingbird buzz around the garden. It is a perfect read-aloud.

SB 455 .B25 2001

Baker, Keith. **NO TWO ALIKE.** New York: Little Simon, 2011.

In this wintry board book, two red birds travel together, at first seeking two snowflakes that are alike. They discover that everything (and everyone) is unique, just like snowflakes.

Board Book

Bansch, Helga. Translated by Shelley Tanaka. **ROSIE THE RAVEN.** Toronto: Annic Press, 2016.

This fable about fitting in (and becoming indispensable) despite one's differences starts with an unlikely premise: instead of safeguarding a raven chick like all the others, one of the eggs in a raven pair's nest contains a tiny girl named Rosie!

SB 455 .B26 2016

Barash, Chris. Pictures by Alessandra Psacharopulo. **IS IT SUKKOT YET?** Chicago: Albert Whitman, 2016.

The colors of fall and the traditions of Sukkot glow in this picture book.

SB 455 .B27 2016

Barash, Chris. Pictures by Alessandra Psacharopulo. **IS IT TU B'SHEVAT YET?** Chicago: Albert Whitman, 2019.

The families in this picture book enjoy tree pictures made from fruits, nuts, and seeds and prepare to plant trees in celebration of Tu B'Shevat.

SB 455 .B27 2019

Barber, Antonia. Illustrated by Karin Littlewood. **GEMMA AND THE BABY CHICK.** New York: Scholastic, 1993.

Evocative, impressionistic paintings show how Gemma coaxes the last egg of the brood to hatch.

SB 455 .B27 1993

Barker, Cicely Mary. **FLOWER FAIRIES.** London: Blackie & Sons, unknown date.

Colorful illustrations and funny poems make this older series fun, and it contains recognition characteristics for the featured plants as well. We have six volumes: **FLOWER FAIRIES OF THE AUTUMN, FLOWER FAIRIES OF THE GARDEN, FLOWER FAIRIES OF THE SPRING, FLOWER FAIRIES OF THE SUMMER, FLOWER FAIRIES OF THE TREES**, and **FLOWER FAIRIES OF THE WAYSIDE**.

SB 455 .B27 a-f

Barker, Cicely Mary. **A FLOWER FAIRIES TREASURY.** London: Frederick Warne, 1997.

This is a collection of highlights from the series above, including illustrated poems on 120 plants and their respective fairies.

SB 455 .B27 1997

Berger, Carin. **FINDING SPRING**. New York: Greenwillow Books, 2015.

Silly and sweet, this picture book features a young bear named Maurice, eager for spring even though he doesn't know exactly what to expect from spring, or when it will come.

SB 455 .B46 2015

Berger, Carin. **IN THE NIGHT GARDEN**. New York: Neal Porter Books, 2023.

Those who love cats, bats, and the harvest moon will especially enjoy this bedtime story about a wandering cat.

SB 455 .B46 2023

Berger, Carin. **THE LITTLE YELLOW LEAF**. New York: Greenwillow Books, 2008.

A charming story and vivid earth-tone collage illustrations make this picture book one to remember.

SB 455 .B46 2008

Bernhard, Emery and Durga. **THE WAY OF THE WILLOW BRANCH.** San Diego: Harcourt Brace, 1996.

Follow the willow branch on its journey through the ecosystem and into a little boy's home.

SB 455 .B47 1996

Beskow, Elsa. **WOODY, HAZEL AND LITTLE PIP.** Edinburgh: Floris, 2007.

Originally published in Swedish as *Ocke, Nutte och Pillerill* in 1939, this beautiful picture book combines whimsical storytelling with charming illustrations of small woodland folk. This translation, by Joan Tate and Polly Lawson, came out in 1990.

SB 455 .B48 2007

Bickford-Smith, Coralie. **THE SONG OF THE TREE.** London: Particular Books, 2020.

This vividly illustrated poetic fable stars a bird who learns to trust that the magnificent tree she calls home will be safe and full of life even when she flies away.

SB 455 .B53 2020

Bissonette, Aimée M. Illustrated by Erin Hourigan. **WHEN SUMMER COMES: EXPLORING NATURE IN OUR WARMEST SEASON.** Seattle: Little Bigfoot, 2023.

Northwest families will recognize the landscapes in this celebration of summer adventures: alpine meadows, tidepools, forests, and even Gasworks Park!

SB 455 .B57 2023

Blomgren, Jennifer. Illustrations by Andrea Gabriel. **WHY DO I SING? ANIMAL SONGS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.** Seattle: Sasquatch Books, 2013.

Lovingly illustrated with animals of the Pacific Northwest, this rhyming book explores the songs of the meadowlark, the tree frog, the fin whale, the Roosevelt elk, the marmot, and the human child, among others.

SB 455 .B58 2013

Bloom, Amy Beth. Illustrated by Noah Z. Jones. **LITTLE SWEET POTATO.** New York: HarperCollins, 2012.

When Little Sweet Potato gets knocked out of his garden patch, he must search for a new home.

SB 455 .B57 2012

Bodecker, N.M. **MISS JASTER'S GARDEN.** Cynthiana, KY: Purple House Press, 2017.

Originally published in 1972, this large format 45th anniversary edition has all the hallmarks of excellent children's fiction: quirky characters, silly humor, and endpaper maps. Readers can use these maps to trace the path of Hedgie the Hedgehog and his human companion, Jessica Jaster.

SB 455 .B63 2017

Bogan, Carmen. Illustrated by Floyd Cooper. **WHERE'S RODNEY?** San Francisco, CA: Yosemite Conservancy, 2017.

When a school trip takes him to a park, Rodney expects it to be as lackluster as the fenced grassy triangle near home. Instead, he discovers wide open spaces that are powerful and majestic.

SB 455 .B64 2017

Boone, Mary. Illustrated by Milena Godoy. **SCHOOL OF FISH. Chicago, IL: Albert Whitman & Co., 2024.**

Salmon in schools programs give elementary school students hands-on lessons in ecology, and this book tells how they work from a student's perspective.

SB 455 .B66 2024

Booth, Anne. Illustrated by Robyn Wilson-Owen. **BLOOM.** London: Tiny Owl, 2020.

This fable about the value of appreciation features a flower that needs kind words as well as care to bloom.

SB 455 .B66 2020

Bouchard, David. Illustrated by Roy Henry Vickers. **THE ELDERS ARE WATCHING.** Vancouver, BC: Raincoast Books, 2003.

The poetic text and vivid illustrations in this book remind readers that the ancestors of the first people inhabiting this land handed it down with the expectation that it would go on sustaining life with respectful stewardship.

SB 455 .B68 2003

Boughton, Sam. **THE EXTRAORDINARY GARDENER**. London: Tate, 2018.

Joe adds life and color to the world by sharing a garden that starts from a single apple seed.

SB 455 .B68 2018

Bowers, Jenny. **LITTLE PEAR TREE**. Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2014.

This large-format board book has several flaps to lift on each page, showing the surprising number of living creatures found in a little pear tree.

Board Book

Boyd, Lizi. **FLASHLIGHT**. San Francisco: Chronicle, 2014.

This wordless book features a child venturing out of his tent at night, with a trusty flashlight to show the way, and nighttime animals as his companions.

SB 455 .B69 2014

Boyd, Marie. **JUST A WORM.** New York: Greenwillow, 2023.

A worm meets other garden visitors and at first feels lowly--but eventually realizes how important worms are. The illustrations are quilled paper, and there are directions in the back for paper quilling.

SB 455 .B69 2023

Boyle, Doe. Illustrated by Lisa Bonforte. **OTTER ON HIS OWN: THE STORY OF A SEA OTTER.** Westport, CT: Soundprints, 1995.

Beginning as a two-hour-old pup completely dependent on his mother, the title character grows and develops all summer until he is ready to find his own food and swim alone. Lisa Bonforte's illustrations glow with the colors of Monterey Bay.

SB 455 .B695 1995

Bradbury, Jennifer, and Stephanie Guerra (writing as The Pifferson Sisters). Illustrated by Mark Chambers. **ZACH AND LUCY AND THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL WONDERS.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2016.

In this beginning chapter book for new readers, two apartment-dwelling siblings create their own natural history museum, with a little help from their neighbors.

SB 455 .B72 2016

Brendler, Carol. Pictures by Ard Hoyt. **WINNIE FINN, WORM FARMER**. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2010.

Can Winnie win a blue ribbon at the state fair with her red wrigglers? Find out in this funny book. Practical worm bin tips appear at the back.

SB 455 .B72 2010

Brennan, Martin. Illustrated by Michael Glenn Monroe. **I SAW IT IN THE GARDEN**. Ann Arbor, MI: Mitten Press, 2006.

The poems in this lavishly illustrated book span the growing season, from April through October, and cover topics from compost to pole beans. The whole book is written from a kid's perspective, making it even more fun.

SB 455 .B73 2006

Brennan-Nelson, Denise. Illustrated by Michael Glenn Monroe. **BUZZY THE BUMBLEBEE.** Chelsea, MI: Sleeping Bear Press, 1999.

Big bold illustrations and rhyming text join forces in this charming book about a bumblebee boy who learns not to believe everything he is told about what he can and cannot do.

SB 455 .B7 1999

Brett, Jan. **MOSSY.** New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2012.

Enchanting illustrations make this Edwardian-era fiction about a very unusual Eastern box turtle memorable.

SB 455 .B74 2012

Brett, Jan. **THE MITTEN.** New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1989.

Adapted from a Ukrainian folktale. The gorgeous illustrations make this wildlife tale a favorite for read-aloud or read-alone.

SB 455 .B74 1989

Brisson, Pat. Illustrated by Maryann Cocca-Leffler. **WANDA'S ROSES.** Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills Press, 1994.

An inspirational tale of what matters most in making a garden: not plants, but hard work, good help, and faith. Dreamers and doers will love this book!

SB 455 .B75 1994

Broach, Elise. Illustrated by Cori Doerrfeld. **BARNYARD BABY.** New York: LB Kids, 2013.

As the back cover says, "Enjoy a playful romp with baby around the barnyard on a perfect, crisp autumn day--with 7 sturdy lift-the-flaps!"

Board Book

Broder, Robert. Illustrated by Carrie O'Neill. **OUR SHED: A FATHER-DAUGHTER BUILDING STORY.** Seattle: Little Bigfoot, 2020.

Building a garden shed together, a girl and her dad create something that lasts generations.

SB 455 .B76 2020

Brown, Carron. Illustrated by Georgina Tee. **SECRETS OF WINTER.** Tulsa, OK: Kane Miller, 2015.

In this clever wintry book, readers can shine a light through the pages to reveal hidden animals such as a hibernating bear family, a camouflaged weasel, and a bee buried in leaves.

QL 49 .B76 2015

Brown, Margaret Wise. Illustrated by Victoria Raymond. **BUMBLE BEE**. New York: HarperFestival, 1999.

Colorful photos of sculptures enliven Margaret Wise Brown's classic rhyme.

Board Book

Brown, Margaret Wise. Pictures by Greg Pizzoli. **NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST.** New York: Harpercollins, 2017.

This charming story of a young bird exploring the world introduces compass directions along with the life cycle of tree-nesting birds.

SB 455 .B76 2017

Brown, Monica. Illustrated by April Ward. **BUTTERFLIES ON CARMEN STREET/MARIPOSAS EN LA CALLE CARMEN.** Houston, TX: Pinata Books, 2007.

In this English/Spanish bilingual book, Julianita is learning about monarch butterflies in school. Her grandfather fondly remembers monarch butterfly migration season in the mountains of Michoacan, where he is from. The class watches their caterpillars grow, pupate, and Julianita even gives hers a name: Tiger.

SB 455 .B76 2007

Brown, Peter. **THE CURIOUS GARDEN.** New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2009.

When Liam finds a tiny garden in an abandoned corner of the city, he becomes a gardener. After years of care, the garden eventually grows big enough to brighten the whole gray city.

SB 455 .B77 2009

Brown, Ruth. **LADYBUG, LADYBUG.** New York: Dutton, 1992.

Young children will love helping Ladybug find her way home. On the way she meets a frog, a snail, a cat, a pig, and more!

SB 455 .B78 1992

Brown, Ruth. **SNAIL TRAIL.** New York: Crown Publishers, 2000.

This is a snail with personality! Simple text and vivid, humorous paintings make this perfect for reading aloud with preschoolers.

SB 455 .B78 2000

Brown-Wood, JaNay. Illustrated by Samara Hardy. **AMARA'S FARM.** Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2021.

Amara is looking for a round, orange, hollow, seedy pumpkin, and she finds one after looking at many other fruits and vegetables that share some of those characteristics.

SB 455 .B79 2021

Brown-Wood, JaNay. Illustrated by Samara Hardy. **LINH'S ROOFTOP GARDEN.** Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2023.

Linh looks for blueberries in a rooftop garden that includes bananas, tomatoes, onions, gooseberries, strawberries, blueberries, and other plants. A recipe for pancakes is included.

SB 455 .B79 2023

Brown-Wood, JaNay. Illustrated by Samara Hardy. **MIGUEL'S COMMUNITY GARDEN.** Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2022.

Miguel is looking for sunflowers in his community garden. He knows they are tall, with yellow petals and large leaves. On his search he observes other plants with unique characteristics. The book includes a recipe for sunflower seed salad incorporating all the other plants Miguel saw.

SB 455 .B79 2022

Buckley, Helen E. Illustrated by Jan Ormerod. **GRANDFATHER AND I.** New York: Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1994.

This book will ring true for any child who likes to stop and smell the roses. The narrator is just such a boy, and he finds a perfect fit with his grandpa, who never hurries and always has time to stop and look at the natural world with him.

SB 455 .B83 1994

Bunting, Eve. Illustrated by Kathryn Hewitt. **FLOWER GARDEN.** New York: Scholastic, 1994.

Dad and daughter make a window box garden in this sweet picture book.

SB 455 .B86 1994

Bunting, Eve. Illustrated by Kathryn Hewitt. **SUNFLOWER HOUSE.** Orlando, FL: Harcourt Brace & Company, 1996.

A prizewinning book, this tale of imagination in the garden will be a favorite with the 8-and-under set.

SB 455 .B86 1996

Burgess, Thornton W. **THE BURGESS FLOWER BOOK FOR CHILDREN.** Boston: Little, Brown & Company, 1929.

The dedication for this fictionalized tome reads, "To the awakening in children of love for our wild flowers and the desire to preserve them in their native habitats...this book is dedicated." Because of its early publication date, you will find it in the tall shelves rather than in the youth corner.

Tall Shelves SB 457 .B87 1929

Burnett, Frances Hodgson. Illustrated by Graham Rust. **THE SECRET GARDEN.** Boston: Godine, 1987.

This story about a girl's own growth as she helps to rejuvenate a long-abandoned garden has enchanted generations of children! Graham Rust's illustrations bring the classic story to life.

SB 455 .B93 1987b

Busheri, Devora. Illustrated by Noa Kelner. **IN THE JERUSALEM FOREST.** Minneapolis, MN, Kar-Ben, 2019.

In this picture book inspired by one of Haim Nachman Bialik's poems, a girl and her mother consider their reflections in a pond and marvel at how quickly ripples in the pond can change the picture.

SB 455 .B87 2019

Butler, Dori Hillestad. Illustrated by Nancy Meyers. **KING & KAYLA AND THE CASE OF THE UNHAPPY NEIGHBOR.** Atlanta: Peachtree, 2020.

Kayla and her dog King are detectives looking for clues to a neighborhood mystery in this illustrated chapter book.

SB 455 .B88 2020

Butterfield, Lanisha. Illustrated by Hoang Giang. **FLOWER BLOCK.** Dublin, Ireland: Puffin, 2024.

In this story, young Jeremiah transforms his building into a garden, and gets to know his neighbors in the process.

SB 455 .B89 2024

Búzio, Carolina. **LET'S GO HOME, BABY BUNNY.** Lincoln, MA: Nosy Crow, 2024.

The youngest readers can trace the paths of young animals and look for elements of their habitats in this clever board book featuring bears, rabbits, foxes, and owls.

Board Book

Campbell, Nicola I. Pictures by Julie Flett. **A DAY WITH YAYAH.** Northampton, MA: Crocodile Books, 2018.

In this picture book, First Nations children in British Columbia go on a gathering day with Yayah. She teaches them a bit of ethnobotany and a bit of the Nle?kepmxcin (Thompson River Salish) language.

SB 455 .C26 2018

Camper, Cathy. Illustrated by Kenard Pak. **TEN WAYS TO HEAR SNOW.** New York: Kokila/Penguin, 2020.

Lina's snowy walk to Grandma's place gives her a chance to listen to the sounds of snow. When she gets there, Sitti ("grandma" in Lebanese) is all ready to make stuffed grape leaves with her, and they talk about the blizzard.

SB 455 .C26 2020

Cannon, Janell. **STELLALUNA.** San Diego: Harcourt Brace, 1993.

A bat loses her way and joins a family of birds in this topsy-turvy adventure story.

SB 455 .C26 1993

Carle, Eric. **THE TINY SEED.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 1987.

Eric Carle's bold collage illustrations and crisp text make this an ideal read-aloud book for preschoolers and grade school students.

SB 455 .C2 1987b

Carle, Eric. **THE VERY BUSY SPIDER.** New York: Philomel, 1984.

Early one morning a spider begins work on her web. A horse, a dog, a cat, a duck, and others greet her, but she is single-minded in her pursuit of a finished web.

SB 455 .C2 1984

Carle, Eric. **THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR.** New York: Philomel, 1987.

Preschoolers will love this counting book about what a caterpillar eats.

SB 455 .C2 1987

Carle, Eric. **THE VERY QUIET CRICKET.** New York: Philomel, 1990.

A baby cricket meets other insects as he practices rubbing his wings together and finally learns to chirp. Again, Eric Carle's vivid illustrations are the star of the show.

SB 455 .C2 1990

Castella, Krystina, with Brian Boyl. **DISCOVERING NATURE'S ALPHABET.** Berkeley, CA: Heyday, 2005.

Here is an alphabet game you can play anywhere with all ages. "Nature holds a secret world filled with hidden letters," begins this photographic treasure hunt. "The best way to find them is to slow down and explore."

SB 455 .C27 2005

Catchpool, Michael. Illustrated by Alison Jay. **THE CLOUD SPINNER.** New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2012.

The moral of this illustrated fable is "Enough is enough!" When a greedy king asks for more than he could ever want or need and the environment suffers, a princess and a boy work together to undo the damage and restore the kingdom.

SB 455 .C28 2012

Chase, Kit. **OLIVER'S TREE**. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 2014.

Lulu the bird and Charlie the bunny help their friend Oliver (an elephant) find a way to join them playing in a tree, something he thought he could not do because of his size.

SB 455 .C42 2014

Chatelaine, Jeremy. Illustrated by Nikki McClure. **MAY THE STARS DRIP DOWN.** New York: Abrams, 2014.

In this peaceful bedtime story, the child wanders in dreamlike nighttime landscape, through a desert, along a path beside an alpine lake, and down to the seashore, where sails are set for dawn.

SB 455 .C428 2014

Cheng, Andrea. Illustrated by Patrice Barton. **THE YEAR OF THE GARDEN.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2017.

Anna Wang has just moved to a new home. In this illustrated chapter book, she endeavors to make new friends and grow the garden of her dreams.

SB 455 .C49 2017

Chernesky, Felicia Sanzari. **PICK A CIRCLE, GATHER SQUARES: A FALL HARVEST OF SHAPES.** Chicago, IL: Albert Whitman and Company, 2013.

Vivid illustrations and direct text team up to highlight the beautiful shapes of an autumn trip to the pumpkin patch.

SB 455 .C43 2013

Cherry, Lynne. **THE GREAT KAPOK TREE.** San Diego: Harcourt Brace, 1990.

In this acclaimed and expert work, the Amazon rain forest takes center stage.

SB 455 .C44 1990

Cherry, Lynne. **HOW GROUNDHOG'S GARDEN GREW.** New York: Scholastic, 2003.

"Grow your own!" is the enthusiastic message of this detailed, colorful, and charming tale. Preschoolers and school-age kids will flock to the story.

SB 455 .C44 2003

Christensen, Bonnie. **PLANT A LITTLE SEED.** New York: Roaring Brook, 2012.

Two friends plant seeds in their community garden, then water, weed, wait, and dream as the plants grow until they can be harvested and shared.

SB 455 .C47 2012

Ciraolo, Simona. **HUG ME.** London: Flying Eye, 2014.

A cactus and a rock are meant to keep company in this charming story.

Board Book

Clanton, Ben. Illustrated by Jessixa Bagley. **CURIOUS ENCOUNTERS: 1 TO 13 FOREST FRIENDS.** Seattle: Little Bigfoot, 2020.

The author and illustrator are both accomplished Seattle children's book creators, and their book is full of local legends, animated animals, premium puns, and awesome alliteration.

SB 455 .C52 2020

Clark, M.H. Illustrated by Isabelle Arsenault. **YOU BELONG HERE.** Seattle: Compendium, 2016.

This book describes habitats (including forests, ponds, and mountainsides) as places of belonging, just as the reader and the listener belong together.

SB 455 .C52 2016

Cleary, Beverly. **THE REAL HOLE.** New York: Mulberry Books, 1996.

What can be done with a big hole in the backyard? Twin siblings and their parents find the perfect combination of practical use and imaginative play.

SB 455 .C54 1996

Cliff, Cynthia. **PIE FOR BREAKFAST: A BAKING BOOK FOR CHILDREN.** Munich: Prestel, 2021.

Similar in style to Felicita Sala's 10 Garden Street and Flowerville books, this baking book offers recipes from many cultures using garden ingredients such as blackberries, pears, zucchini, carrots, and apples. At the end, neighbors gather for a bake sale to benefit their library.

SB 455 .C55 2021

Cole, Henry. **BIG BUG**. New York: Little Simon, 2014.

A ladybug is big, when you look closely, but little compared with the big leaf where it rests. The leaf may be big compared with the ladybug, but it is little compared with a towering flower. This colorful picture book bounds through the garden, playing with scale.

SB 455 .C65 2014

Cole, Henry. **BUILDING.** New York: Harpercollins, 2022.

A beaver family builds and rebuilds their lodge in this science story.

SB 455 .C65 2022

Cole, Henry. **I TOOK A WALK**. New York: Greenwillow Books, 1998.

This well-illustrated book with fold-out windows recalls a springtime nature walk. The main character takes time to stop and hunt for interesting plants and animals, encouraging young readers to follow along in the woods, in the meadow, at the stream, and at the pond.

SB 455 .C65 1998

Cole, Henry. **JACK'S GARDEN**. New York: Greenwillow Books, 1995.

This is the House that Jack Built goes to the garden! Kids will love the full-page, colorful illustrations and repetitive text in this charming read-aloud.

SB 455 .C65 1995

Cole, Henry. **ON THE WAY TO THE BEACH**. New York: Greenwillow Books, 2003.

A companion book to **I TOOK A WALK,** this story features signs of life to find on foldout spreads depicting the woods, the salt marsh, the dunes, and the ocean beach.

SB 455 .C65 2003

Cole, Henry. **ON MEADOWVIEW STREET**. New York: Greenwillow Books, 2007.

Here is another great Henry Cole story about a young gardener. Caroline decides to bring the meadows back to Meadowview Street, beginning with her own family lawn. This inspirational story shows what can happen when someone dreams big and starts small.

SB 455 .C65 2007

Colleen, Marcie. Illustrated by Aaron Becker. **SURVIVOR TREE.** New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2021.

"Even in the darkest times, color will always return to the world." That is the message of this hopeful book about the Callery pear found in the rubble after the Twin Towers fell. The author was a high school teacher on September 11, 2001.

SB 455 .C651 2021

Colleen, Marcie. Illustrated by Alison Oliver. **THE BEAR'S GARDEN.** New York: Macmillan, 2020.

Inspired by the Pacific Street Bear's Community Garden in Brooklyn, this story shows how one person's imagination, dedication and care can create an oasis in the city.

SB 455 .C651 2020

Connor, Leslie. Illustrated by Mary Azarian. **MISS BRIDIE CHOSE A SHOVEL**. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2004.

Mary Azarian's woodcuts bring character to this story of an 1856 immigrant who chose to bring a shovel to the United States. She could have brought a chiming clock or a porcelain figurine, but she chose a shovel. Straightforward text explains how she used that shovel throughout her long life.
SB 455 .C66 2004

Cooling, Wendy. Illustrated by Piet Grobler. **ALL THE WILD WONDERS: POEMS OF OUR EARTH.** London: Frances Lincoln, 2010.

Poetry from around the world celebrates the beauty and power of nature, and the importance of caring for our green world.
SB 455 .C6 2010

Coombs, Kate; Dickinson, Emily. Illustrated by Carme Lemniscates. **IN EMILY'S GARDEN.** Layton, UT: Gibbs Smith, 2019.

Vibrant with sunlight, roses, bees, grass, butterflies, purple clover, and hummingbirds, this board book about Emily Dickinson's garden offers timeless joys.
Board Book

Coombs, Kate; Whitman, Walt. Illustrated by Carme Lemniscates. **MIRACLES EVERYWHERE.** Layton, UT: Gibbs Smith, 2019.

Carme Lemniscates boldly illustrates choice words from the poetry of Walt Whitman in this board book for the youngest nature lovers.
Board Book

Cooney, Barbara. **MISS RUMPHIUS.** New York: Penguin, 1982.

Miss Rumphius is known as the Lupine Lady, and one day she tells her grand-niece and the other neighborhood children how she got her nickname. This one is a classic!
SB 455 .C67 1982

Cooper, Susan. Illustrated by Carson Ellis. **THE SHORTEST DAY.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2019.

Susan Cooper's 1974 poem combines with glowing 2019 illustrations by Carson Ellis in this picture book that brings light to the darkest days of winter.
SB 455 .C67 2019

Cordell, Matthew. **TO SEE AN OWL.** New York: Random House, 2025.

Janie wonders what it will take to see an owl. Fortunately, she has a knowledgeable teacher to advise her about bird watching and she doesn't give up easily.
SB 455 .C67 2025

Costa, Nicoletta. **THE LITTLE TREE THAT WOULD NOT SHARE.** New York: Holiday House, 2016.

A city tree starts off selfish and lonely. As he grows, participates in the cycle of the seasons, and gets good advice from a clever crow, he begins to enjoy the company of other city dwellers.
SB 455 .C67 2016

Courgeon, Rémi. **MANY MOONS**. New York: Quarto Group, 2017.

Sturdy card pages with bold three-color illustrations (black, white, and yellow) bring moon phases to life with human and animal characters associated with the shapes of crescents, slivers, orbs, and half-circles.

SB 455 .C68 2017

Covell, David. **RUN WILD.** New York: Viking, 2018.

Get outdoors to run, swim, daydream, and explore with the young people in this book.

SB 455 .C685 2018

Coy, John. Illustrated by Carolyn Fisher. **TWO OLD POTATOES AND ME.** New York: Knopf, 2003.

What can you do with two old potatoes? The girl in this story learns how to grow potatoes and how to establish a garden (and a family tradition) with her father, even though she doesn't see him every day.

SB 455 .C69 2003

Cronin, Doreen. Illustrated by Harry Bliss. **DIARY OF A WORM.** New York: HarperCollins, 2003.

The whimsical format of this brightly illustrated book makes it popular for reading aloud. It highlights the importance of earthworms in a gentle, funny way.

SB 455 .C76 2003

Curtis, Carolyn. Illustrated by Alison Jay. **I TOOK THE MOON FOR A WALK.** Cambridge, MA: Barefoot Books, 2004.

This rhyming ode to a walk on a moonlit night includes two pages of moon lore and information about night-blooming plants and nocturnal animals.

SB 455 .C87 2004

Cushman, Doug. **MOUSE AND MOLE AND THE YEAR-ROUND GARDEN**. New York: W. H. Freeman, 1994.

A unique hybrid of science and fiction, this charming tale of two gardening animals devotes part of each page to the natural processes that make Mouse and Mole's adventures possible. Young children will delight in recognizing types of leaves or seeing how an apple forms from a blossom.

SB 455 .C87 1994

Cutler, Jane. **MR. CAREY'S GARDEN.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1996.

Kids who love snails will find a kindred spirit in Mr. Carey, an old man who sees the creatures "in a different light" than his neighbors do.

SB 455 .C88 1996

Dairman, Tara. **THE GIRL FROM EARTH'S END.** Somerville, MA; Candlewick, 2023.

In this novel for young readers, Henna needs to find a healing plant for her Papa Niall. Her first step is to gain admission to St. Basil's Conservatory, a famous botanical boarding school.

SB 455 .D25 2023

Davies, Nicola. Illustrated by Jane Ray. **HUMMINGBIRD.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2019.

In the opening scene of this brilliant book, Granny feeds ruby-throated hummingbirds with her visiting granddaughter somewhere in Central America. After the girl returns to North America she writes to Granny, sharing news of the hummingbirds who have found their way to Central Park to nest.

SB 455 .D28 2019

Davies, Nicola. Illustrated by Laura Carlin. **THE PROMISE.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2013.

This urban fable tells how a former pickpocket makes her city a better place by planting trees.

SB 455 .D28 2013

Davies, Nicola. Illustrations by Mark Hearld. **OUTSIDE YOUR WINDOW: A FIRST BOOK OF NATURE.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2012.

A large format and vivid illustrations make this book of poetry (celebrating everything from chickens to cherry blossoms) especially attractive.

SB 455 .D28 2012

Deenihan, Jamie L.B. Illustrated by Lorraine Rocha. **WHEN GRANDMA GIVES YOU A LEMON TREE.** New York: Sterling Children's Books, 2019.

Grandma knows best in this funny story of an unexpected birthday present that leads to a whole new set of skills for the young recipient.

SB 455 .D44 2019

Delacre, Lulu. **COOL GREEN.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2023.

Trees are amazing! The abuelo in this story explains awe-inspiring facts about trees to his young granddaughter, showing her redwoods, ahuehuete, rainbow gum, moringa, and other spectacular trees.

SB 455 .D45 2023

Demi. **THE SHADY TREE**. New York: Henry Holt, 2016.

Northwest author Demi brings to life a Chinese folktale about the value of a shade tree and an inclusive, welcoming green space shared by all.

SB 455 .D46 2016

Dendy, Christina. Illustrated by Katie Rewse. **THE WALL AND THE WILD.** Minneapolis: Lantana, 2021.

A young gardener discovers the beauty of a garden with a bit of wilderness in it.

SB 455 .D46 2021

DePalma, Mary Newell. **A GRAND OLD TREE**. New York: Arthur A. Levine, 2005.

Rhythmic text and airy collage illustrations make this book about the life of a dogwood tree special. Kids will especially appreciate the wildlife pictured, from bumblebees to owls.

SB 455 .D47 2005

Desbordes, Astrid. Illustrated by Marc Boutavant. **EDMOND: THE THING**. New York: Enchanted Lion Books, 2017.

Even with his Big Encyclopedia of the Forest, George Owl still can't tell what he's seen down by the river. This amusing tale highlights the courage it takes to learn about someone new.

SB 455 .D47 2017

Deslauriers, Stéphanie. Illustrated by Geneviève Després. **IT'S ME, HENRY!** Victoria, BC: Orca Book Publishers, 2022.

Henry is a plant lover who struggles socially. When his class visits the botanical garden, he feels like a waterlily in a pond: right at home.

SB455 .D47 2022

Detlefsen, Lisl. Illustrated by Jed Henry. **TIME FOR CRANBERRIES**. New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2015.

Vividly illustrated, this family-farm tale of harvest time at a cranberry bog will entertain and enlighten young readers. The author lives on a cranberry farm.

SB 455 .D48 2015

Diesen, Deborah. Pictures by Mary Lundquist. **BLOOM**. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2017.

A parent and child plant bulbs in fall. During the winter months, they are so busy that the daffodils, tulips, and hyacinths are a wondrous surprise when they emerge and bloom the following spring.

SB 455 .D54 2017

DiLorenzo, Barbara. **ONE THURSDAY AFTERNOON.** Louisville, KY: Flyaway, 2022.

Granddad can tell Ava is sad when he picks her up from school. They spend time in nature together, using all their senses, and eventually Ava tells him about her rough day at school and why she is worried. They paint together and set aside time to make this a regular habit.

SB 455 .D55 2022

DiSalvo, Dyanne. **CITY GREEN.** New York: Morrow Junior Books, 1994.

Marcy and her neighbors work together to create a garden from a vacant lot in this picture book published in support of the American Community Gardening Association.

SB 455 .D57 1994

DiTerlizzi, Angela. Illustrated by Brendan Wenzel. **SOME BUGS.** New York: Little Simon, 2016.

Bugs are fascinating, and the colorful, big-eyed ones in this board book are no exception.

Board Book

Doi, Kaya. Translated by Yuki Kaneko. **CHIRRI & CHIRRA.** Brooklyn, NY: Enchanted Lion Books, 2016.

Translated from Japanese, this is the first book in a series. The twin protagonists enjoy a full day of adventures in the forest, culminating in a concert with animal musicians of all sizes.

SB 455 .D65 2016

Doi, Kaya. Translated by David Boyd. **CHIRRI & CHIRRA IN THE NIGHT.** Brooklyn, NY: Enchanted Lion Books, 2021.

Our favorite cycling duo returns in this story of magical cats, masks, lanterns, reflections, and a full moon festival.

SB 455 .D65 2021

Doi, Kaya. Translated by Yuki Kaneko. **CHIRRI & CHIRRA IN THE TALL GRASS.** Brooklyn, NY: Enchanted Lion Books, 2017.

This is a magical story of two small bicyclists who watch a bee almost as large as themselves collect honey, follow a lizard home, and have an adventure with fireflies.

SB 455 .D65 2017

Doi, Kaya. Translated by David Boyd. **CHIRRI & CHIRRA ON THE TOWN.** Brooklyn, NY: Enchanted Lion Books, 2019.

Chirri and Chirra learn about weaving, see a bird's nest, and take their bicycles to a rose garden in this story.

SB 455 .D65 2019b

Doi, Kaya. Translated by Yuki Kaneko. **CHIRRI & CHIRRA: THE SNOWY DAY.** Brooklyn, NY: Enchanted Lion Books, 2010.

Chirri and Chirra's winter adventures include pedaling on ice, drinking hot cinnamon punch, relaxing in an underground hot spring, and watching shooting stars.

SB 455 .D65 2010

Doi, Kaya. Translated by David Boyd. **CHIRRI & CHIRRA UNDERGROUND.** Brooklyn, NY: Enchanted Lion Books, 2019.

Chirri and Chirra take their bicycles underground in this adventure. They see peanuts, carrots and daikon growing there and meet a hospitable family of badgers.

SB 455 .D65 2019

Donaldson, Julia. Illustrated by Axel Scheffler. **SUPERWORM.** New York: Arthur A. Levine Books, 2012.

In this silly rhyming adventure, Superworm needs help from his friends the garden creatures (snails, ants, centipedes, ladybugs, bees, butterflies, toads, and beetles) to escape the evil Wizard Lizard.

SB 455 .D66 2012

Donaldson, Julia. Illustrated by Victoria Sandøy. **THE OAK TREE.** London: Allison Green Books, 2023.

Human history marches by as a mighty oak tree grows, shelters life, and eventually dies after a thousand-year reign.

SB 455 .D66 2023

Donaldson, Julia. Illustrated by Axel Scheffler. **THE SNAIL AND THE WHALE.** London: Macmillan, 2017.

Can a tiny snail help save a beached whale? Find out in this charming board book.

Board Book

Doolittle, Bev; Maclay, Elise. **THE EARTH IS MY MOTHER.** Shelton, CT: The Greenwich Workshop Press, 2000.

In this illustrated novel, eleven-year-old Sarah Stewart and an environmentalist named Charlie Night try to prevent the commercial development of a canyon in the southwestern U.S.

SB 455 .D66 2000

Dopirak, Kate. Illustrated by Christopher Silas Neal. **HURRY UP! A BOOK ABOUT SLOWING DOWN.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2020.

The child and dog in this book have been rushing through their day. When they take time to slow down and look around at the natural world, that day stretches into a joyous afternoon and evening.

SB 455 .D665 2020

Dorléans, Marie. **THE NIGHT WALK**. Edinburgh: Floris Books, 2020.

A family's night hike takes them to the viewpoint just in time to meet the sunrise in this magical book.

SB 455 .D67 2020

Doyle, Eugenie. Illustrated by Becca Stadtlander. **SLEEP TIGHT FARM: A FARM PREPARES FOR WINTER**. San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2016.

A farming family takes care of their raspberries, hoophouses, beehives, and more in this gentle bedtime story about the start of winter.

SB 455 .D69 2016

Doyon, Samara Cole. **MAGNIFICENT HOMESPUN BROWN: A CELEBRATION.** Thomaston, ME: Tilbury House, 2020.

Full of the natural beauty of brown, this picture book celebrates nature and identity, in all its variety and authentic complexity.

SB 455 .D69 2020

Dudley, Rebecca. **HANK FINDS AN EGG.** White Plains, NY: Peter Pauper Press, 2013.

In this wordless book, Rebecca Dudley creates a tiny forest world where Hank the monkey helps reunite a hummingbird egg with its family.

SB 455 .D83 2013

Duke, Kate. **READY FOR PUMPKINS**. New York: Knopf, 2012.

Hercules, Miss MacGuffey's class guinea pig, spends his summer vacation in the country, where he learns how to grow pumpkins.

SB 455 .D85 2012

Eaton, III, Maxwell. **BEAR GOES SUGARING.** New York: Neal Porter Books, 2019.

Kids who enjoy graphic novels and pancakes (and who doesn't?) will enjoy this detailed explanation of how people tap maple trees and make maple syrup from the sap.

SB 455 .E28 2019

Ehlert, Lois. **EATING THE ALPHABET**. San Diego: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1989.

"Apple to Zucchini, come take a look. Start eating your way through this alphabet book." The author's trademark bright illustrations make this simple book a winner. A glossary at the back gives more information about each fruit and vegetable pictured.

SB 455 .E45 1989

Ehlert, Lois. **FEATHERS FOR LUNCH**. San Diego: Harcourt, 1990.

A gentle reminder to protect songbirds by keeping cats indoors and/or belled, this picture book has a funny plot and eye-catching illustrations.

SB 455 .E45 1990

Ehlert, Lois. **GROWING VEGETABLE SOUP**. San Diego: Harcourt, 1987.

Preschoolers who love to garden will find this simple step-by-step story of a vegetable garden familiar and fun.

SB 455 .E45 1987

Ehlert, Lois. **A SEMBRAR SOPA DE VERDURAS: GROWING VEGETABLE SOUP**. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 1996.

This is the classic vegetable-growing picture book, in Spanish and English, and in a hand-sized board book edition.

Board Book

Ehlert, Lois. **LEAF MAN.** Orlando, FL: Harcourt, Inc., 2005.

Follow the irresistible Leaf Man on his journey through fall. The illustrations are created with real leaves, encouraging small children to look closer and imagine more on their autumn rounds.

SB 455 .E45 2005

Ehlert, Lois. **PIE IN THE SKY**. New York: Scholastic, 2004.

Father and child make a cherry pie, beginning with the cherry tree's fall and winter rest. The recipe is part of the story in this brightly illustrated picture book.

SB 455 .E45 2004

Ehlert, Lois. **PLANTING A RAINBOW**. San Diego: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1988.

For the younger child, this story of planting seeds, plants, and bulbs and watching them grow into colorful flowers emerges in few words with lively, bold illustrations.

SB 455 .E45 1988

Ehlert, Lois. **RED LEAF, YELLOW LEAF**. Orlando: Harcourt, 1991.

Bright, colorful illustrations enliven this educational story about maple trees.

SB 455 .E45 1991

Ehlert, Lois. **WAITING FOR WINGS**. Orlando: Harcourt, 2001.

Lois Ehlert's vivid illustrations shine in this picture book about a butterfly garden.

SB 455 .E45 2001

Ellis, A.G. writing as Louisa May Allcat. **A TRELLIS FOR MR. ELLIS**. San Diego, CA: Allcat Press, 2001.

One cat's heroic efforts in the battle against global warming, told by the cat herself. Encourages local gardening as a first step in "the greening of the planet."

SB 455 .E55 2001

Ellis, Carson. **DU IZ TAK?** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2016.

A dramatic scene unfolds among a group of talking insects, and the script is in an invented language. Readers can watch the pictures, pay attention to the punctuation, and enjoy puzzling out what is happening as a flower blooms, a spider looms, and the insects build a fort.

SB 455 .E56 2016

Ericsson, Jennifer A. Illustrated by Bert Kitchen. **WHOO GOES THERE?** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2009.

Vivid illustrations and poetic text follow Owl on his evening rounds as he seeks his dinner and other animals hide from him, so they do not become his dinner.

SB 455 .E75 2009

Falwell, Cathryn. **BUTTERFLIES FOR KIRI**. New York: Lee & Low Books, 2003.

Creativity, patience and persistence overcome frustration with art projects that don't turn out as planned in this story of a girl who creates artwork inspired by the colors of flowers and butterflies.

SB 455 .F25 2003

Falwell, Cathryn. **POND BABIES.** Camden, ME: Down East, 2011.

Loons, ducks, turtles, and other animals join a human toddler and parent at the pond.

SB 455 .F25 2011

Falwell, Cathryn. **TURTLE SPLASH! COUNTDOWN AT THE POND.** New York: Greenwillow, 2001.

This counting book makes a great introduction to animals found near ponds, including ducks, rabbits, turtles, and deer.

SB 455 .F25 2001

Fan, Terry; Fan, Eric. **THE NIGHT GARDENER.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2016.

Two Canadian illustrators who are brothers created this charmingly haunting picture book about topiary animals and the mysterious old man who brings them to life in the neighborhood of an orphanage.

SB 455 .F26 2016

Farrar, Sid. Illustrated by Ilse Plume. **THE YEAR COMES ROUND**. Chicago: Albert Whitman, 2012.

"Apples loll beneath/emptying branches, dreaming/cider and hot pie." This illustrated book of evocative poems is short but sweet.

SB 455 .F27 2012

Farrell, Alison. **THE HIKE.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2019.

Portland author and illustrator Alison Farrell has created something uniquely wonderful here. Part field guide, part adventure story, and part easy-reading graphic novel, this love song to nature is a must-read for anyone who loves the outdoors, especially here in the Pacific Northwest.

SB 455 .F28 2019

Fine, Edith Hope; Halpin, Angela Demos; Illustrated by Colleen Madden. **WATER, WEED, AND WAIT**. New York: Tricycle, 2010.

How do you grow a school garden? The title says it all, and the story shows how a community benefits as the garden grows.

SB 455 .F55 2010

Fleischman, Paul. **WESLANDIA**. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press, 1999.

A colorful, fantastical tale. When Wesley learns that each developing civilization has had its own staple food crop, he decides to found his own civilization based on the fruits of his garden.

SB 455 .F57 1999

Fleming, Denise. **IN THE SMALL, SMALL POND**. New York: Henry Holt & Company, 1993.
This Caldecott Honor Book has a simple rhyming story of pond creatures. The bright illustrations make it great to read aloud.
SB 455 .F58 1993

Flett, Julie. **BIRDSONG**. Vancouver, BC: Greystone Books, 2019.
Awarded the American Indian Library Associations Youth Literature Award, this picture book takes readers through young Katharena's first year in a new house, where she forges an intergenerational friendship and finds inspiration for her artwork.
SB 455 .F54 2019

Fogliano, Julie. Illustrated by Erin E. Stead. **AND THEN IT'S SPRING.** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2012.
Charming illustrations and poetic text capture a young boy's longing for spring as he plants a garden and waits for brown to turn to green.
SB 455 .F64 2012

Fogliano, Julie. Illustrated by Julie Morstad. **WHEN GREEN BECOMES TOMATOES.** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2016.
Get ready for any weather as you enjoy the lyrical quality of these illustrated seasonal poems. One example: "february 3: with snowy arms sagging/the spruce seemed to know/that beautiful outweighs the snow."
SB 455 .F64 2012

Ford, Miela. Pictures by Anita Lobel. **MY DAY IN THE GARDEN.** New York: Greenwillow Books, 1999.
Easy text and bold pictures enchant in this story of rainy-day creativity.
SB 455 .F66 1999

Formento, Alison. **THESE BEES COUNT!** Chicago: Albert Whitman and Company, 2012.
This counting book entertains while it provides up-to-date information about honeybees and beekeeping.
SB 455 .F67 2012

Formento, Alison. **THIS TREE COUNTS!** Chicago: Albert Whitman and Company, 2010.
Not just a counting book, not just a tree book, but both of these as well as an endearing story of an elementary school class getting inspired to plant trees.
SB 455 .F67 2010

Fortin, Anne-Marie. Illustrated by Julien Castanié. Translated from the French by Heather Camlot. **MY DELICIOUS GARDEN.** Berkeley, CA: Owlkids, 2022.
Month by month, the young gardener in this story shares the work and joy of her vegetable garden.

Fox, Dorothea Warren. **MISS TWIGGLEY'S TREE**. Cynthiana, KT: Purple House Press, 2002.
This classic story of a tree-dwelling eccentric who saves the day when a storm threatens her town will easily win the hearts of the read-aloud crowd.
SB 455 .F69 2002

Fox, Janet. Illustrated by Jasu Hu. **WINTERGARDEN.** New York: Neal Porter Books, 2023.
A windowsill garden allows the family in this story to grow parsley, lettuce and oregano for their table. Includes instructions for planting an indoor herb garden.
SB 455 .F69 2023

Franco, Betsy; Illustrated by Stefano Vitale. **POND CIRCLE.** New York: Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2009.
Bright, cleverly painted illustrations bring the food chain of a girl's neighborhood pond to life.
SB 455 .F72 2009

Fraser, Mary Ann. Illustrated by Riley Samels. **LET IT GROW.** North Mankato, MN: Capstone, 2021.
How large can a pumpkin get, if you let it grow? The one in this story grows large enough that it can be carved into a boat that holds two people!
SB 455 .F72 2021

Freedman, Deborah. **CARL AND THE MEANING OF LIFE.** New York: Viking, 2019.
At first Carl the earthworm is not sure about his purpose in life, but it turns out a whole ecosystem depends upon his efforts underground.
SB 455 .F744 2019

French, S. Terrell. **OPERATION REDWOOD.** New York: Amulet Books, 2009.
The twelve-year-old hero of this fast-paced novel works to save a redwood grove.
SB 455 .F74 2009

French, Vivian. Illustrated by Alison Bartlett. **OLIVER'S VEGETABLES.** New York: Orchard Books, 1995.
What happens when Oliver, who won't eat any vegetable but French fries, visits Grandma and Grandpa's garden? Join Oliver on an expedition into the garden in search of his favorite food.
SB 455 .F74 1995

Freymann, Saxton; Elffers, Joost. **HOW ARE YOU PEELING? FOODS WITH MOODS.** New York: Arthur A. Levine, 1999.
The illustrations in this fabulous picture book are photos of fruits and vegetables that have been lovingly tweaked to bring out their emotional side.
SB 455 .F75 1999

Freymann, Saxton; Elffers, Joost. **DOG FOOD.** New York: Scholastic, 2002.
Saxton Freymann and Joost Elffers are playing with their food again in this droll picture book, filled with delightful dogs made of peppers, bananas, broccoli, and other produce.
SB 455 .F75 2002

Friedman, Samantha. **MATISSE'S GARDEN**. New York: Museum of Modern Art, 2014.
Henri Matisse creates an indoor garden of cut-paper birds, bees, and plant forms in this large-format picture book.
SB 455 .F74 2014

Frost, Robert. Illustrated by Vivian Mineker. **THE ROAD NOT TAKEN.** Sanger, CA: Familius, 2019.
Stunning illustrations bring Robert Frost's words to life for a new generation.
SB 455 .F76 2019

Furrow, Robert; Napoli, Donna Jo. Illustrated by Melissa Bailey. **MARA PLANTS A SEED.** Washington, DC: Science, Naturally!, 2025.

When young Mara plants sunflower seeds in a vacant lot, she creates space for herself and other community members (including wildlife) to bring a vibrant garden to life.

SB 455 .F87 2025

Galliez, Roxane Marie. Illustrated by Seng Soun Ratanavanh. **PATIENCE, MIYUKI.** Hudson, New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 2018.

Miyuki is eager for Grandfather to join her in the garden, where she looks for signs of spring. When she notices one flower is not blooming yet, she rushes off, venturing far and wide in search of the purest water to help it bloom.

SB 455 .G25 2019

Galliez, Roxane Marie. Illustrated by Seng Soun Ratanavanh. **THANK YOU, MIYUKI.** Hudson, New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 2020.

Miyuki and her grandfather are back in their garden, and Miyuki wants to learn to meditate.

SB 455 .G25 2020

Galliez, Roxane Marie. Illustrated by Seng Soun Ratanavanh. **TIME FOR BED, MIYUKI.** Hudson, New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 2018.

The dreamlike illustrations in this bedtime story, first published in French, take readers on a soaring journey through the title character's imagination as she and her grandfather enjoy time together.

SB 455 .G25 2018

Garland, Sally Anne. **THE CHALK GARDEN.** Chicago: Sunbird Books, 2023.

Emma's family has a concrete backyard, and she makes it colorful with sidewalk chalk. Over time, she and her dad remove broken slabs and plant a garden that brings real color and life to the space.

SB 455 .G27 2023

Gates, Mariam. Illustrated by Sarah Jane Hinder. **GOOD NIGHT YOGA: A POSE-BY-POSE BEDTIME STORY.** Boulder, CO: Sounds True, 2018.

Children can embody the sun, stars, moon, birds, trees and more with this evening yoga flow board book.

Board Book

Gay, Marie-Louise. **MUSTAFA**. Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2018.

A boy newly arrived with his family from a faraway country takes comfort in his local park, where familiar and strange wonders await, along with a new friend.

SB 455 .G39 2018

Geffen, Shira. Illustrated by David Polonsky. **THE HEART-SHAPED LEAF.** Barnsley, UK: Green Bean Books, 2018.

The original edition of this haunting book won The Israel Museum Prize for Illustration and the Hadassah Prize for Children's Literature. The textural, imaginative illustrations and open-ended story line provide a springboard for discussions of leaves, loneliness, and magic.

SB 455 .G44 2018

Gehl, Laura. Illustrated by Patricia Metola. **APPLE AND MAGNOLIA.** London, UK: Flyaway Books, 2022.

Young Britta watches her two favorite trees communicate with one another, although some members of her family doubt her observations.

SB 455 .G44 2022

Geisert, Arthur. **THE GIANT SEED.** New York: Enchanted Lion Books, 2012.

This whimsical wordless book celebrates the flying power of the dandelion seed.

SB 455 .G45 2012

George, Kallie. Illustrated by Carmen Mok. **I HEAR YOU, FOREST.** Vancouver, BC: Greystone Kids, 2021.

Balancing bravely, tiptoeing gently, and making a wish are just three of the things a child can do while out in the forest listening.

SB 455 .G46 2021

George, Lindsay Barrett. **IN THE GARDEN: WHO'S BEEN HERE?** New York: Greenwillow Books, 2006.

Luminous ink-and-watercolor illustrations make this book especially attractive to read to groups of children. Christina and Jeremy wander in the garden, taking their time to look closely and find clues that lead them to a mouse, a mole, a tomato hornworm, and other interesting creatures.

SB 455 .G46 2006

Gerber, Carole. Illustrated by Helena Pérez Garcia. **A TREE FOR ME.** Reedley, CA: Familius, 2024.

Quaking aspen, hackberry, silver maple, and five other trees are featured in this story about a father and son looking closely at trees in a park.

SB 455 .G47 2024

Gerber, Carole. Illustrated by Leslie Evans. **LEAF JUMPERS.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2006.

Colorful illustrations and uncomplicated text introduce readers to tree identification.

SB 455 .G45 2006

Gerber, Carole. Illustrated by Leslie Evans. **WINTER TREES**. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2008.

Charming letterpress-style illustrations enliven the pages of this fictionalized guide to winter tree identification.

SB 455 .G45 2008

Germein, Katrina. Illustrated by Bronwyn Bancroft. **BIG RAIN COMING.** New York: Clarion Books, 1999.

"Big rain coming," says Old Stephen: so begins this vividly illustrated story of anticipation in the Australian outback. Here you'll find a celebration of the life-giving power of rain.

SB 455 .G47 1999

Gershator, Phillis; Jay, Allison. **LISTEN, LISTEN.** Cambridge, MA: Barefoot Books, 2007.

"Listen, listen...winter's gone. Finches whistle, 'Here's the sun!' Pop, pop, bulbs sprout. Leaves grow, flowers shout." Preschool children will especially enjoy the evocative, rhythmic verse in this lovingly illustrated book about listening to nature.

SB 455 .G48 2007

Gershator, Phillis; Meade, Holly. **SKY SWEEPER.** New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2007.

When young Takeboki begins his work sweeping blossoms in a Japanese garden, he doesn't realize that by doing this simple job well, he will be creating happiness throughout his life and even after his death.

SB 455 .G48 2007b

Ghigna, Charles. Illustrated by Annie Wilkinson. **THE NIGHT THE FOREST CAME TO TOWN.** Vancouver, BC: Orca Book Publishers, 2018.

While the city sleeps, wilderness creeps in, bringing joy to humans and animals alike.

SB 455 .G45 2018

Giardino, Alexandria. Illustrated by Anna Balbusso and Elena Balbusso. **ME + TREE**. Mankato, MN: Creative Editions, 2020.

New to the neighborhood, a girl finds common ground with an old stump as she reflects on the joys and difficulties they have each grown through, and their shared capacity for hope and regeneration.

SB 455 .G56 2020

Gibbons, Gail. **THE SEASONS OF ARNOLD'S APPLE TREE.** Orlando, FL: Harcourt, 1984.

Follow Arnold and his apple tree through the year and learn the many ways an apple tree can improve a person's day.

SB 455 .G53 1984

Gliori, Debi. **FLORA'S SURPRISE.** New York: Orchard Books, 2003.

This Scottish author's award-winning books feature true-to-life (albeit fictionalized) family situations with emotional depth and humor. In FLORA'S SURPRISE, Flora is the youngest child and the most adventurous gardener in the family. In fact, she thinks she can grow a house by planting a brick! Kids will laugh when they learn what happens.

SB 455 .G55 2003

Goade, Michaela. **BERRY SONG.** New York: Little, Brown, 2022.

Poetic text and dreamy illustrations show a Tlingit grandma and child gathering many kinds of berries as they reinforce their caretaking for and connection with the land.

SB 455 .G62 2022

Goldin, Barbara Diamond (reteller). Illustrated by Andrew Plewes. **THE GIRL WHO LIVED WITH THE BEARS.** San Diego: Harcourt Brace, 1997.

Often told among the Haida, Tlingit, Tsimshian, and Ahtna peoples, this is the story of a chief's daughter who changes her life's path when she insults the bears. Andrew Plewes' glowing illustrations evoke the forests, mountains, waterfalls, and shorelines of the Olympic Peninsula.

SB 455 .G65 1997

Gonzalez, Maya Christina. **CALL ME TREE / LLAMA ME ARBOL.** New York: Lee & Low, 2014.

This poetic bilingual picture book shows how children and trees share potential to grow.

SB 455 .G66 2014

González, Xelena. Illustrated by Adriana M. Garcia. **ALL AROUND US.** El Paso, TX: Cinco Puntos Press, 2017.

With a gentle touch, this book handles a momentous subject: cycles of birth and death, and the ways in which gardeners mark the passage of time and honor new life and family, both seen and unseen.

SB 455 .G67 2014

Goodale, E. B. **UNDER THE LILACS.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2020.

Building herself a shelter under the lilac bush helps Kate take a break from her busy family, and over time the shelter looks and feels more and more like home.

SB 455 .G66 2020

Gordon, Gus. **THE LAST PEACH.** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2019.

In this whimsical collage-illustrated picture book, the end of summer has brought the most beautiful, perfect peach. Will it be too pretty to eat?

SB 455 .G67 2019

Gorman, Amanda. Illustrated by Christian Robinson. **SOMETHING, SOMEDAY.** New York: Viking, 2023.

The child in this book and his friends are "told not to hope," but they keep hoping anyway. Working together, they create a tiny sidewalk garden where litter once lay discarded.

SB 455 .G67 2023

Graegin, Stephanie. **LITTLE FOX IN THE FOREST.** New York: Schwartz & Wade, 2017.

Two friends from school discover a hidden world of animals in the forest beside their local playground in this fantastical near-wordless book, featuring beloved stuffed animals and anthropomorphized woodland animal characters.

SB 455 .G71 2017

Graham, Margaret Bloy. **BE NICE TO SPIDERS**. New York: HarperCollins, copyright 1969.

This classic combines amusing illustrations and a happy conclusion with an ever-popular setting: the zoo!

SB 455 .G72 1969

Grant, Holly. Pictures by K.G. Campbell. **WEE SISTER STRANGE.** New York: Schwartz & Wade Books, 2017.

Those who think fairies are sweet creatures of sunlight might be surprised by the night-wandering pixie in this book, who rides astride a bear and "drinks up the dark/Like it's tea with the queen." Even more surprising is what Wee Sister Strange is seeking far and wide on this spooky autumn evening: a bedtime story.

SB 455 .G72 2017

Gravett, Emily. **ORANGE PEAR APPLE BEAR.** New York: Little Simon, 2011.

Wordplay and visual humor combine in this short, sweet board book from Emily Gravett.

Board Book

Gravett, Emily. **TIDY.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2016.

Nature can be messy, and that's part of its charm. That is the message of this sweet, funny fable starring a badger named Pete.

SB 455 .G72 2016

Greenstein, Elaine. **ONE LITTLE SEED.** New York: Viking, 2004.

Preschoolers will love the rhyming text and colorful illustrations in this book. Watch as a sunflower seed is lovingly planted, watered, and gradually grows up. One little seed means a lot!

SB 455 .G74 2004

Greig, Louise. Illustrated by Suzanne Barton. **WE ARE A GARDEN.** London: Red Shed, 2020.

Birds, trees, bugs, vegetables, tools, flowers, and even a pond appear in this garden board book.

Board Book

Grigsby, Susan. Illustrated by Nicole Tadgell. **FIRST PEAS TO THE TABLE.** Chicago: Albert Whitman, 2012.

This would be a perfect classroom read-aloud. It shares the story of Ms. Garcia's class project, tracing the history of Thomas Jefferson's garden with a pea-growing contest.

SB 455 .G75 2012

Grover, Max. **THE ACCIDENTAL ZUCCHINI: AN UNEXPECTED ALPHABET.** San Diego: Browndeer Press, 1993.

Bold paintings by Max Grover (of Port Townsend) highlight the zany humor of this alphabet book, from a "vegetable volcano" to a "fork fence."

SB 455 .G76 1993

Guidroz, Rukhsanna. Illustrated by Dinara Mirtalipova. **LEILA IN SAFFRON.** New York: Simon & Schuster/Salaam Reads, 2019.

Young Leila celebrates her Pakistani identity at her grandmother's house as they cook Leila's famous curry with cilantro. The colors shown in this beautifully illustrated book are a bushel of delectable hues: "the color of lentils, bright and orange; pomegranates, juicy and rosy; cucumber skin, dark and green; and threads of saffron, gold and copper."

SB 455 .G85 2019

Hall, Zoe. Illustrated by Shari Halpern. **THE SURPRISE GARDEN.** New York: Blue Sky Press/Scholastic, 1998.

Simple text and bright, engaging illustrations keep kids excited and curious about what will grow in the surprise garden.

SB 455 .H25 1998

Halpern, Shari, illustrator. **LITTLE ROBIN REDBREAST: A MOTHER GOOSE RHYME.** New York: North-South Books, 1994.

The vivid cut-paper collage illustrations bring fresh life to the old nursery rhyme about a robin escaping from a house cat.

SB 455 .H24 1994

Hannah-Jones, Nikole; Watson, Renée. Illustrated by Nikkolas Smith. **THE 1619 PROJECT: BORN ON THE WATER.** New York: Kokila, 2021.

Through poem and paintings, this picture book reveals origin story of many Black Americans. That story (as the authors say) "did not begin in slavery" even though their ancestors survived enslavement. It is a story of struggle, resilience, and perseverance.

SB 455 .H26 2021

Hartman, Brooke. Illustrated by Evon Zerbetz. **DREAM FLIGHTS ON ARCTIC NIGHTS**. Berkeley, CA: Alaska Northwest Press, 2019.

What if you could fly over Alaska and see the animals who live there? The main character in this rhyming picture book does just that, when a bedtime wish leads to a night of wonder, visiting salmon, a polar bear, a snowy owl, caribou, and more.

SB 455 .H27 2019

Hasler, Eveline. Illustrated by Käthi Bhend. **IN MY DREAMS I CAN FLY.** New York: NorthSouth Books, 2020.

The author and illustrator of this fantastical tale of underground creatures, including a caterpillar who turns into a moth, imbue the characters with whimsy and personality.

SB 455 .H27 2020

Havill, Juanita. Illustrated by Stanislawa Kodman. **GROW: A NOVEL IN VERSE**. Atlanta: Peach Tree, 2008.

A big woman full of ideas teams up with a big-hearted girl to grow a community garden in this unique little book.

SB 455 .H28 2008

Heavenrich, Sue. Illustrated by Chamisa Kellogg. **THE PIE THAT MOLLY GREW.** Ann Arbor, MI: Sleeping Bear Press, 2023.

Molly observes as her pumpkin vine grows, flowers, and bears a pumpkin that she bakes into a pie for a feast of gratitude. Includes a recipe for pumpkin pie as well as information about pumpkin pollinators.

SB 455 .H42 2023

Henkes, Kevin. **CHRYSANTHEMUM.** New York: Greenwillow, 1991.

This charming story of a young mouse named Chrysanthemum is about learning to celebrate individuality. Chrysanthemum loves her unique name, until she starts school and classmates tease her about it. With a little luck and help from understanding adults, Chrysanthemum ends up feeling better than ever.

SB 455 .H46 1991

Hibbs, Gillian. **ERROL'S GARDEN.** Auburn, ME: Child's Play, 2018.

Errol's rooftop garden brings people together in this colorful story of a community building something for everyone to share.

SB 455 .H53 2018

Higgins, Carter. Illustrated by Emily Hughes. **EVERYTHING YOU NEED FOR A TREEHOUSE.** San Francisco, CA: Chronicle Books, 2018.

The illustrations in this poetic picture book about treehouses are fantastic. The authors celebrate an imaginative array of treehouses, alluding to the effort a treehouse requires and the shared joys it offers.

SB 455 .H54 2018

Hoberman, Mary Ann. Illustrated by Jane Dyer. **WHOSE GARDEN IS IT?** Orlando, FL: Harcourt, 2004.

When Mrs. McGee walks by a beautiful garden, she wonders whose it is. As it turns out, the garden is so important to every animal in the neighborhood that they all claim it as their own.

SB 455 .H63 2004

Hodge, Deborah. Illustrated by Karen Reczuch. **WEST COAST WILD: A NATURE ALPHABET**. Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2015.

Vivid illustrations are the star of this alphabet book, which features the ancient forests, beaches, sea stacks, kelp forests, and waves of the Pacific Northwest and the beloved animals who rely on these habitats.

SB 455 .H63 2015

Hoffman, Ian; Hoffman, Sarah. Illustrated by Chris Case. **JACOB'S SCHOOL PLAY: STARRING HE, SHE AND THEY.** Washington, DC: Magination Press, 2021.

When Jacob and Sophie's class presents a skit about the water cycle, a classmate named Ari plays water in three forms: in the clouds, falling as rain, and filling the pond. Their teacher guides students in using the right pronouns for each student: "he" for Jacob, "she" for Sophie, and "they" for Ari.

SB 455 .H64 2021

Hoffmann, Mark. **FRUIT BOWL.** New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2018.

The talking fruits in this vibrantly illustrated book, from the zesty lemon to the wrinkled and venerable prune, will keep readers laughing as they learn the botanical difference between a fruit and a vegetable.

SB 455 .H64 2018

Holub, Joan. Illustrated by Jan Smith. **PUMPKIN COUNTDOWN.** Chicago: Albert Whitman, 2012.

When Mrs. Blue's class takes a trip to the pumpkin patch, they explore the whole farm in this clever backward counting book.

SB 455 .H65 2012

Hopgood, Tim. **WOW! SAID THE OWL: A BOOK ABOUT COLOURS.** London: Macmillan, 2012.

A young owl spends the day outside, seeing amazing colors.

Board Book

Hopkinson, Deborah. Illustrated by Meilo So. **BUTTERFLIES BELONG HERE: A STORY OF ONE IDEA, THIRTY KIDS, AND A WORLD OF BUTTERFLIES.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2020.

The central character in this picture book gets help from a librarian to research monarch butterflies and inspires her class to start a butterfly garden.

SB 455 .H67 2020

Hubbell, Will. **PUMPKIN JACK.** Morton Grove, IL: Albert Whitman, 2000.

Tim carves a jack-o'-lantern he loves so much, he names him Jack. When Jack decomposes in the garden, the seeds sprout into a pumpkin patch for Tim and his friends to enjoy the following year.

SB 455 .H83 2000

Huggins-Cooper, Lynn. **ALIEN INVADERS / INVASORES EXTRATERRESTRES.** Green Bay, WI: Raven Tree Press, 2005.

Big, bold illustrations and imaginative narration by a young boy make this bilingual (English and Spanish) story about bugs fun for all ages.

SB 455 .H84 2005

Hughes, Emily. **THE LITTLE GARDENER.** London: Flying Eye Books, 2015.

Illustrated in warm earth tones, this simple tale of a tiny gardener who needs some help has a cozy, encouraging message of hope and perseverance.

SB 455 .H84 2015

Hughes, Emily. **WILD.** London: Flying Eye Books, 2015.

In this hyperbolic fable, a happily wild child is taken in by people who want her to act like them. Eventually, "enough is enough," and she returns to her rightful wilderness.

SB 455 .H84 2013

Hughes, Langston. Illustrated by Tequitia Andrews. **AN EARTH SONG.** New York: Cameron Kids, 2023.

The child in this book, cast as the narrator of a poem by Langston Hughes, pays close attention as a red-winged blackbird heralds the arrival of spring.

SB 455 .H84 2023

Hummingbird, Nicolas, with Julia Wasson. Illustrated by Madelyn Goodnight. **CAN YOU HEAR THE PLANTS SPEAK?** New York: HarperCollins, 2024.

Wild strawberries, oaks, manzanita, and other plants speak to the characters in this colorful picture book, reminding them of their ancestral ties to the land and the reverence that underlies their planting and stewardship work.

SB 455 .H86 2024

Hurd, Thacher. **THE PEA PATCH JIG.** Stevens Point, WI: Creston Books, 2015.

A mouse family has a garden party in this silly story inspired by a folk song.

SB 455 .H87 2015

Hutchens, Verlie. Illustrated by Jing Jing Tsong. **TREES.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2019.

Vividly illustrated by a Pacific Northwest artist, this picture book offers poems on an oak, an aspen, a sequoia, a spruce, and ten other trees.

SB 455 .H88 2019

Hyde, Heidi Smith. Illustrated by Elisa Vavouri. **PAVEL AND THE TREE ARMY.** Minneapolis, MN: Kar-Ben Publishing, 2019.

This story of hope is set in the Great Depression. Pavel and his friend Anatoly, Jewish immigrants from Russia to the United States, need work. The rabbi tells Pavel about jobs planting trees with the Civilian Conservation Corps. Pavel and Anatoly travel to Idaho and join a work crew. Though some other Corps members say they do not belong, Pavel and Anatoly work hard. In addition to their conservation work, they learn the national anthem and proudly show everyone they are Americans, too.

SB 455 .H93 2019

Iwai, Melissa. **PIZZA DAY**. New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2017.

Father and child make pizza together from garden ingredients in this beautifully illustrated and sturdy card-page book. Includes recipes for pizza dough and sauce, along with topping ideas.

SB 455 .I92 2017

James, Simon. **DEAR MR. BLUEBERRY.** New York: Margaret K. McElderry Books, 1991.

Mr. Blueberry is Emily's teacher and the first person she thinks to ask when she needs information about whales. Her request is urgent, as she has found a whale in her garden. This funny story is great to read aloud.

SB 455 .J26 1991

Jameson, Karen. Illustrated by Marc Boutavant. **WOODLAND DREAMS.** San Francisco: Chronicle, 2020.

A young artist sketches woodland animals as they prepare for winter in this lyrical picture book.

SB 455 .J26 2020

Jeffers, Dawn. Illustrated by Claude Schneider. **VEGETABLE DREAMS / SUEÑO DE VERDURAS.** Green Bay, WI: Raven Tree Press, 2001.

A neighborhood garden yields not only vegetables, but community spirit, friendship, memories, and hope in this English/Spanish bilingual book.

SB 455 .J44 2001

Jenkins, Emily; Blackall, Sophie. **A FINE DESSERT: FOUR CENTURIES, FOUR FAMILIES, ONE DELICIOUS TREAT.** New York: Schwartz & Wade, 2015.

This looks like a simple book about making a blackberry dessert, but because the setting spans 1610-2010, it touches upon history, fashion, kitchen and refrigeration technology, and social issues such as slavery and gender-based division of labor.

SB 455 .J46 2015

Jensen-Elliott, Cindy. Illustrated by Mary Peterson. **DIG IN!** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2016.

What can you find digging in the dirt? Uncomplicated text and bright block-print style illustrations celebrate the joy of playing in the garden.

SB 455 .J47 2016

Jewett, Sarah Orne. Illustrated by Barbara Cooney. **A WHITE HERON.** New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1963.

Join Sylvia as she explores rural Maine and catches a glimpse of a white heron.

SB 455 .J49 1963

Johnson, Angela. Illustrated by E. B. Lewis. **ALL DIFFERENT NOW.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2014.

This picture book commemorates and illuminates the origins of Juneteenth celebrations, following a Texas girl and her family through the events of June 19, 1865, when news of their emancipation finally reached them.

SB 455 .J6 2014

Johnson, D.B. **HENRY HIKES TO FITCHBURG**. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2000.

While his friend works hard to earn the train fare to Fitchburg, a bear, modeled on a young Henry David Thoreau, walks the thirty miles through woods and fields, enjoying nature and the time to think great thoughts. Includes biographical information about Thoreau.

SB 455 .J64 2000

Karas, G. Brian. **AS AN OAK TREE GROWS.** New York: Nancy Paulsen Books, 2014.

Readers travel through time from 1775, when an oak tree begins as an acorn planted by a Native American boy, to the year 2000, when the oak tree dies in a storm and a new seedling sprouts nearby.

SB 455 .K27 2014

Karwoski, Gail Langer and Marilyn E. Gootman. Illustrated by Kristen Balouch. **THANK YOU, TREES!** Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2013.

A rhyming tribute to trees and all that they provide, from fruit to shade to paper, in celebration of Tu B'Shevat.

Board Book

Keats, Ezra Jack. Edited by Richard Lewis. **IN A SPRING GARDEN.** New York: Dial, 1965.

Twenty-three haiku poems, translated into English, appear with luminous collage illustrations by Ezra Jack Keats.

SB 455 .K42 1965

Keller, Holly. **CECIL'S GARDEN.** New York: HarperCollins, 2002.

Perfect for preschoolers and school-age children, this picture book teaches a gentle lesson about the value of resolving arguments productively.

SB 455 .K45 2002

Kemp, Laekan Zea. Illustrated by Elisa Chavarri. **A CROWN FOR CORINA.** New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2023.

Corina's grandmother helps her make a corona for her birthday party using flowers that remind her of the people she loves.

SB 455 .K46 2023

Kennedy, Marlane. **ME AND THE PUMPKIN QUEEN.** New York: Greenwillow, 2007.

Can an eleven-year-old girl win the Pumpkin Show? Mildred is determined to do just that, even though her "busybody aunt" Arlene thinks her interest in pumpkin-growing is an unhealthy obsession.

SB 455 .K46 2007

Kim, Hye-Eun. **PENCIL.** New York: TOON Books, 2021.

Without words (except in an appendix explaining how to read a "silent" book), this picture book invites conversation and speculation as an artist uses colored pencils to depict trees growing, hosting flocks of birds, and being cut for use in making colored pencils.

SB 455 .K56 2021

King, Stephen Michael. **LEAF.** New York: Roaring Brook, 2008.

A boy and his dog plant a tree and watch it grow in this funny, near-wordless book.

SB 455 .K56 2008

Klassen, Jon. **YOUR ISLAND.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2025.

Jon Klassen helps the youngest readers conjure a relaxing island in their mind that they can visit whenever they like.

Board Book

Kleven, Elisa. **THE APPLE DOLL.** New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2007.

Lizzy is nervous about starting school. She makes an apple doll to take with her, and eventually inspires her new classmates to make their own. This endearing book includes instructions for making an apple doll.

SB 455 .K54 2007

Knutson, Kimberley. **MUDDIGUSH.** New York: Macmillan, 1992.

Colorful collage illustrations and rhythmic, onomatopoetic text make this book about kids playing in the mud memorable.

SB 455 .K68 1992

Koontz, Robin. Illustrated by Amy Proud. **BUG.** New York: Sterling, 2019.

The girl in this story loves drawing bugs so much she has earned the nickname “Bug.” Despite snags, she finds a way to apply her enthusiasm for insects to her math lessons.

SB 455 .K66 2019

Kooser, Ted. Illustrated by Barry Root. **BAG IN THE WIND.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2010.

Evocative paintings illustrate this story about an ordinary plastic grocery bag as it blows out of a landfill into the landscape and ends up being used in various ways by different people. After the story, the author provides information about the importance of reducing plastic use, reusing bags, and recycling.

SB 455 .K66 2010

Kooser, Ted. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. **HOUSE HELD UP BY TREES.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2012.

Over time, growing trees lift an abandoned house from its foundation in this story of decay and renewal.

SB 455 .K66 2012

Korngold, Jamie. Illustrated by Julie Fortenberry. **SADIE'S SNOWY TU B'SHEVAT**. Minneapolis, MN: Kar-Ben Publishing, 2018.

"All you need is a shovel...and a special spot," Sadie reads in her favorite book about Tu B'Shevat. But what if the snow-covered ground is frozen? With help from her family, Sadie finds other ways to celebrate trees and new growth.

SB 455 .K67 2018

Koscielniak, Bruce. **BEAR AND BUNNY GROW TOMATOES.** New York: Knopf, 1993.

Bear works hard in his tomato garden while Bunny daydreams about growing his own tomatoes. In the end, Bear has tomatoes to share with his friend, so they both enjoy the harvest.

SB 455 .K67 1993

Kraegel, Kenneth. **WILD HONEY FROM THE MOON.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2019.

How far will Mother Shrew go to help her ailing son, Hugo? To the moon and back, in this lavishly illustrated and inventive chapter book.

SB 455 .L72 2019

Krauss, Ruth. **THE CARROT SEED**. New York: HarperCollins, 2005.

Issued in celebration of its sixtieth anniversary, this edition of the perennially popular picture book is as charming as ever. Will the carrot seed grow? Lots of folks are afraid it won't, but one little boy knows better.

SB 455 .K72 2005

Krauss, Ruth. Illustrated by Helen Oxenbury. **THE GROWING STORY.** New York: HarperCollins, 2007.

Another sixtieth anniversary edition, this classic book has nostalgic new illustrations by Helen Oxenbury. In this simple story, a little boy learns that everything on the farm is growing, even him!

SB 455 .K72 2007

Krumwiede, Lana. Illustrated by Greg Pizzoli. **JUST ITZY.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2015.

Itzy may be smaller than his classmates, but he is determined to show his skill by catching a fly. This spunky story is full of allusions to Miss Muffet, the old lady who swallowed a fly, and of course the itsy-bitsy spider known for climbing the waterspout.

SB 455 .K78 2015

Kvasnosky, Laura McGee. Illustrated by Kate Harvey McGee. **SQUEAK!** New York: Philomel Books, 2019.

The meadows at the forest's edge featured in this joyful book are home to chipmunks, elk, eagles, bighorn sheep and more, all adding their unique sounds to nature's symphony. The author and illustrator both live in the Pacific Northwest.

SB 455 .K82 2019

Laden, Nina. Illustrated by Kelsey Garrity-Riley. **YOU ARE A BEAUTIFUL BEGINNING.** New York: Roaring Brook, 2020.

Pacific Northwest author Nina Laden's words and Brooklyn-based illustrator Kelsey Garrity-Riley's pictures combine in an evocative picture book reminding us that each new beginning opens up limitless possibilities.

SB 455 .L23 2020

Laden, Nina. Illustrated by Melissa Castrillon. **DEAR LITTLE ONE.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2021.

A celebration of nature's beauty and the adventures a child can have outdoors, this picture book inspires readers to love and care for Earth's wonders.

SB 455 .L23 2021

Laird, Elizabeth. Illustrated by Satomi Ichikawa. **ROSY'S GARDEN: A CHILD'S KEEPSAKE OF FLOWERS**. New York: Philomel Books, 1990.

"Rosy skips into Granny's kitchen, and looks around. It's lovely - just as she remembers it. There are flowers everywhere, a jug of irises on the table, honeysuckle on the wallpaper and crocus growing in pots on the windowsill." Thus begins this charming read-aloud story about Rosy's love of flowers told through a child's eyes, accompanied by soft pastel watercolor illustrations.

SB 455 .L25 1990

Lakshmi, Padma. Illustrated by Juana Martinez-Neal. **TOMATOES FOR NEELA.** New York: Viking, 2021.

In this picture book, Neela and her mother buy tomatoes from the farmer's market while they are in season and make sauce from them.

SB 455 .L25 2021

Lappano, Jon-Erik. Illustrated by Kellen Hatanaka. **TOKYO DIGS A GARDEN.** Toronto: Groundwood, 2016.

Pleasantly reminiscent of Jack with his beanstalk, a boy named Tokyo unwittingly brings a bit of wilderness back to his city by planting mysterious seeds in this colorfully illustrated tale.

SB 455 .L27 2016

Larsen, Patrick. **MY GRANDPARENTS' DAYLILIES**. Dexter, Michigan: Thomson-Shore, 2016.

Daylily hybridizing becomes a hobby for the young person in this informative picture book.

SB 455 .L27 2016

Larson, Elsie. Illustrations by Elizabeth Haidle. **BOMBUS FIND A FRIEND.** Green Forest, AR: Master Books, 1998.

The author of this tale of an insect's adventures with social skills is from Gresham, Oregon. It includes suggested talking points for parents and teachers, as well as Bombus-related activities.

SB 455 .L27 1998

Latham, Irene. Illustrated by Mique Moriuchi. **FRESH DELICIOUS: POEMS FROM THE FARMER'S MARKET.** Honesdale, PA: WordSong, 2016.

Colorful illustrations featuring animal characters enjoying fresh produce accompany whimsical poems. At the end, six simple recipes feature fresh fruits and vegetables.

SB 455 .L28 2016

Lawson, JonArno and Sydney Smith. **SIDEWALK FLOWERS**. Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2015.

In this acclaimed wordless book, a girl collects flowers as she walks around the city with her distracted dad, delivering flowers silently and lovingly to those she meets (most of whom her dad is too busy to notice). In the end, we remember that small gestures are meaningful and there is immense value in taking time to see beauty and connect with those around us.

SB 455 .L29 2015

Lebeuf, Darren; Barron, Ashley. **MY FOREST IS GREEN.** Toronto: Kids Can Press, 2019.

The young artist in this imaginative book captures colors, textures, shapes, sounds and sizes from nature as he experiments with materials in his apartment overlooking a park.

SB 455 .L43 2019

Lelooska (Chief Don Lelooska Smith). **SPIRIT OF THE CEDAR PEOPLE: MORE STORIES AND PAINTINGS OF CHIEF LELOOSKA.** New York: DK Ink, 1998.

This dramatically illustrated, large-format book contains five tales of the Kwakiutl people. On the CD inside you will hear Chief Lelooska himself telling the tales and performing traditional chants and drum rhythms.

SB 455 .L45 1998

Leone, Dee. Illustrated by Maritie. **BIZZ & BUZZ MAKE HONEY BUNS.** New York: Grosset & Dunlap, 2014.

Bizz and Buzz are two bees who ask their friend bear how to make honey buns. They don't quite understand his answer, but as they interpret his recipe, they invent a new favorite of their own.

SB 455 .L46 2014

Levine, Arthur A. **PEARL MOSCOWITZ'S LAST STAND.** New York: Tambourine Books, 1993.

"Pearl Moscowitz had seen a lot of change on Ginkgo Street." So begins this endearing tale of a heroic woman who saves an old tree from destruction with generosity, neighborliness, courage, and good cooking.

SB 455 .L46 1993

Lewin, Ted. **MARKET!** New York: Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1996.

The text of this lavishly illustrated book about open-air markets around the world reads like a prose poem.

SB 455 .L48 1996

Lewis, Paul Owen. **FROG GIRL**. Berkeley: Tricycle Press, 1999.

This captivating story of a girl who survives a volcanic eruption and finds kinship with frogs is written and illustrated by local author Paul Owen Lewis. At the back, a two-page "author's note" helps fit the story's elements into the context of myths and legends of the Northwest Coast and worldwide.

SB 455 .L49 1999

Lewis, Paul Owen. **STORM BOY**. Berkeley: Tricycle Press, 1999.

Fantastic illustrations and lyrical text entice the reader in this Northwest Coast Native tale. It's mesmerizing!

SB 455 .L49 1999b

Li, Maggie. **PIP.** Dorking, UK: Templar, 2022.

Pip the apple seed has an adventure in this peek-through board book.

Board Book

Li, Maggie. **FROG.** Somerville, MA: Templar, 2023.

From the Little Life Cycles series, this board book provides an eye-catching look at how frogs grow and develop.

Board Book

Lies, Brian. **THE ROUGH PATCH.** New York: Greenwillow, 2018.

This Caldecott Honor Book tells the story of a fox gardener's grief when his best friend, a dog, passes away. He expresses that grief through his garden, where his work to create "the saddest and most desolate spot" eventually leads him full circle, back to life and new possibilities.

SB 455 .L54 2018

Lim, Hope. Illustrated by Il Sung Na. **MY TREE.** New York: Neal Porter Books, 2021.

Both from South Korea and now living in the United States, the author and illustrator of this book share a tender story of a boy who copes with moving to a new country with help from a tree that reminds him of his former home in Korea.

SB 455 .L56 2021

Lin, Grace. **THE UGLY VEGETABLES.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2009.

In this charming story a mother teaches her daughter the beauty of Chinese vegetables. A recipe at the end makes it easy to bring the story to life.

SB 455 .L55 2009

Lindoff, Hannah. Illustrated by Michaela Goade. **LET'S GO! A HARVEST STORY.** Juneau, AK: Sealaska Heritage Institute, 2017.

The characters in this luminous picture book harvest food from the sea, meadows, and forests of Tlingit, Haida and Tsimshian territory in Southeast Alaska.

SB 455 .L56 2017

Lindstrom, Carole. Illustrated by Michaela Goade. **WE ARE WATER PROTECTORS.** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2020.

Winner of the Caldecott Medal in 2021, this powerfully-illustrated book was inspired in part by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's ongoing work to protect their region's water.

SB 455 .L56 2020

Lionni, Leo. **INCH BY INCH.** New York: HarperCollins, 1995.

In this Caldecott medal winner, we meet a clever inchworm who inches his way out of danger by being useful—he measures things!

SB 455 .L56 1995

Liu, Sylvia. Illustrations by Christina Forshay. **A MORNING WITH GRANDPA.** New York: Lee and Low, 2016.

Mei Mei and her grandfather meet under a maple tree to exercise. Gong Gong practices tai chi, while Mei Mei is learning yoga. In a backyard garden, they teach each other a few moves amid the falling leaves and bright flowers.

SB 455 .L58 2016

Lo, Ginnie. Illustrated by Beth Lo. **AUNTIE YANG'S GREAT SOYBEAN PICNIC.** New York: Lee & Low, 2012.

Jinyi and her little sister Pei are visiting their Auntie Yang in Illinois when Auntie Yang discovers soybeans growing in a farmer's field. Auntie Yang takes the opportunity to teach the next generation how to cook and enjoy the beans as she did growing up in China. Based on a true story.

SB 455 .L6 2012

Lobel, Anita. **ALISON'S ZINNIA.** New York: Greenwillow Books, 1990.

In this alphabetical story of thoughtful floral gifts, twenty-six girls garden, make art, and show their care for one another.

SB 455 .L62 1990

Lobel, Arnold. Illustrated by Anita Lobel. **THE ROSE IN MY GARDEN.** New York: Mulberry Books, 1993.

Colorful pictures and rhyming, repetitive text make this classic a standout among read-aloud books.

SB 455 .L63 1993

London, Lucy. Illustrated by Christa Pierce. **THE PEACEFUL GARDEN.** New York: Harper, 2018.

Portland illustrator Christa Pierce has teamed up with Lucy London to create a soothing, whimsical world where cats carefully grow vegetables and improve habitat for birds and insects at the same time.

SB 455 .L66 2018

Lord, Janet. Illustrated by Julie Paschkis. **CRICK, CRACK, CROW!** Atlanta, GA: Margaret Quinlin Books, 2024.

The playful crow in this story hides treasure, interacts with a cat, visits a bird bath, and breaks out of a barn.

SB 455 .L67 2024

Love, Jessica. **JULIÁN IS A MERMAID.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2018.

Julián loves mermaids. He loves them so much he makes himself a mermaid outfit from fern fronds, flowers, and lace curtains. Readers will enjoy his grandmother's enthusiastic response to his creative expression.

SB 455 .L68 2018

Low, Alice. **SUMMER.** New York: Random House, 1963.

Bright pictures by Roy McKie accentuate the rhyming, rhythmic text in this classic reader about the joys of summer.

SB 455 .L69 1963

Lucas, Kaʻōhua. Illustrated by Harinani Orme. **NOU KĒIA? / IS THIS YOURS?** Honolulu, HI: Kamehameha Publishing, 2012.

The tradition of the lei hulu or feather lei is the basis for this colorful board book in Hawaiian and English.

Board Book

Luyken, Corinna. **THE TREE IN ME.** New York: Dial, 2021.

The young people in this book's vivid illustrations consider what they share with trees as they reach for the sky and weather wind and rain, staying strong and creative through stressful times.

SB 455 .L88 2021

MacCuish, Al. Illustrated by Rebecca Gibbon. **THE BEE WHO SPOKE: THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF BELLE AND THE BEE.** New York: Thames & Hudson, 2014.

In a whimsical blend of fiction and fact, this picture book follows Belle, a Parisian girl, on an adventure in the countryside. She meets a bee who teaches her the importance of honeybees for pollination.

SB 455 .M22 2014

MacKay, Elly. **BUTTERFLY PARK.** Philadelphia, PA: Running Press Kids, 2015.

Cleverly made illustrations with a magical, antique feel follow a country girl who moves to the city and helps to bring butterflies to her neighborhood park.

SB 455 .M23 2015

MacKay, Elly. **IF YOU HOLD A SEED.** Philadelphia, PA: Running Press Kids, 2013.

This luminous, hopeful account of the potential in a tree seed follows the boy who plants that seed, showing him enjoying time spent with the growing tree throughout his childhood and young adulthood.

SB 455 .M23 2013

MacLean, Roz. **TOGETHER, A FOREST.** New York: Henry Hold and Company, 2025.

A class trip to the forest is alive with ferns, moss, salal, and neurodiverse students working together to understand the diversity around them--in plant life and in their own ways of thinking.

SB 455 .M25 2025

Maclear, Kyo. Pictures by Kenard Pak. **THE FOG.** Toronto, ON, Canada: Tundra Books, 2017.

A people-watching yellow bird named Warble makes a new friend, a girl who helps him resolve his icy island's problem with persistent, mysterious fog.

SB 455 .M35 2017

Maclear, Kyo. Pictures by Chris Turnham. **THE WISH TREE.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2016.

Wishes can come true for a young adventurer, out exploring a winter landscape.

SB 455 .M35 2016

Maehara, Motomitsu. **WORDS OF THE WORLD: PLANTS.** San Francisco, CA: Blue Dot, 2021.

This board book names nineteen different plants in Arabic, French, Spanish, Hindi, Chinese, English, and Esperanto.

Board Book

Malnor, Carol L.; Hunter, Trina L. **MOLLY'S ORGANIC FARM.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 2012.

Wandering into a community organic farm, a homeless cat finds a home with the farmers and helps in her own way. End notes discuss organic farming and present related activities.

SB 455 .M25 2012

Manley, Curtis. Illustrated by Lucy Ruth Cummins. **THE RESCUER OF TINY CREATURES.** New York: Roaring Brook, 2021.

Roberta loves to rescue tiny creatures who find themselves in tough spots (a caterpillar on the remote control, for example). Sometimes her friends don't understand what she's doing. Readers can cheer Roberta on and learn to make an origami box with a lockable lid to move more delicate creatures to safety. Curtis Manley lives in the Seattle area.

SB 455 .M26 2021

Mann, Jennifer K. **THE CAMPING TRIP.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2020.

Illustrated like a graphic novel, this picture book about Ernestine's first camping trip evokes the hurdles and joys of outdoor living.

SB 455 .M26 2020

Mannis, Celeste Davidson. Illustrated by Susan Kathleen Hartung. **ONE LEAF RIDES THE WIND: COUNTING IN A JAPANESE GARDEN.** New York: Viking, 2002.

This unique counting book has one haiku for each number, all on distinct aspects of a small girl's exploration of a Japanese garden. Footnotes and endnotes explain vocabulary and cultural concepts. The illustrations are charming, too!

SB 455 .M26 2002

Marcero, Deborah. **IN A JAR.** New York: Putnam, 2020.

Two rabbit friends use jars to collect and share the best memories of their adventures together: the cherry light of a sunset, the sound of the ocean, the shadows of a summer night.

SB 455 .M27 2020

Marcero, Deborah. **MY HEART IS A COMPASS.** New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2018.

The main character's detailed maps include place names ringing with the imaginative geography of childhood: the Lookout Tower, the Hideout, Rainbow's End, Sleeping Dragon Dunes, and the Lake in the Clouds.

SB 455 .M27 2018

Marcero, Deborah. **URSA'S LIGHT.** New York, Peter Pauper Press, 2016.

The young bear in this picture book is not like the other bears at school. Ursa is a dreamer with a crazy idea: she wants to fly. Stargazers will recognize constellation references, and everyone will enjoy the way Ursa makes her dream come true.

SB 455 .M27 2016

Marcotte, Danielle S. Illustrated by Alyssa Koski. **BLUE CAMAS, BLUE CAMAS.** Surrey, British Columbia: Heritage House, 2023.

An Indigenous family and a settler family meet on an island on the Pacific coast, as Indigenous traditions of camas cultivation and harvest collide with farming practices brought from Europe.

SB 455 .M27 2023

Marion, Jeff Daniel. Illustrated by Leslie Bowman. **HELLO, CROW.** New York: Orchard Books, 1992.

A grandfather shares his childhood memories of a crow with his grandkids in this down-to-earth story.

SB 455 .M27 1992

Maris, Ron. **BETTER MOVE ON, FROG!** Martinez, CA: Discovery Toys, 1982.

Join Frog on a delightfully illustrated romp through the great outdoors, looking for just the right hole to make a home for a frog.

SB 455 .M28 1982

Mark, Jan; Shephard, Gay. **THIS BOWL OF EARTH.** London: Walker Books, 1993.

This delightful little British book walks us through the garden year of a serious child gardener who learns to propagate from cuttings by experience and observes bulbs and seeds at work. Fall in love with this child and her bowl of earth!

SB 455 .M36 1996

Martin, Bill, Jr. Illustrated by Lois Ehlert. **TEN LITTLE CATERPILLARS.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2011.

Ehlert's trademark watercolor collage illustrations and Martin's rhythmic, rhyming text make this colorful book ideal to read aloud.

SB 455 .M38 2011

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs. **BUTTON, BUCKET, SKY.** Minneapolis: Carolrhoda Books, 1998.

Annie Livermore has a venerable oak tree in her garden. When that oak tree begins to fail, Annie finds helpers to plant acorns and seedlings all over the neighborhood, wherever an oak tree can grow.

SB 455 .M37 1998

Martin, Marc. **A RIVER.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2017.

Join the main character in this vividly illustrated book in imagining a river's journey through the city, farmland, forest, mountains, jungle, and at last to the sea.

SB 455 .M27 2017

Masumoto, David Mas; Masumoto, Nikiko. Illustrated by Lauren Tamaki. **EVERY PEACH IS A STORY.** New York: Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2025.

How do you know when a peach is ripe? The girl in this story learns from her grandfather and helps her father in the orchard. In the process, she learns about her family's story as Japanese Americans farming in California.

SB 455 .M27 2025

Matheson, Christie. **TAP THE MAGIC TREE.** New York: Greenwillow, 2013.

This unique picture book follows a tree through the seasons, encouraging the reader to do something (tap the tree, pat the leaves, clap, and more) and then turn the page and see what happens next, as if by magic.

SB 455 .M28 2013

Matheson, Christie. **THE HIDDEN RAINBOW.** New York: Greenwillow, 2020.

Flowers and bees need one another--and humans need both! Preschoolers will especially enjoy the interactive style of this book at story time.

SB 455 .M28 2020

Matthews, Tina. **OUT OF THE EGG.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2007.

In this version of the familiar story of the red hen whose barnyard mates are too busy to help in the garden, Red Hen's chick welcomes newcomers, and gives them an opportunity to plant seeds of their own.

SB 455 .M29 2007

Matthies, Janna. Illustrated by Tisha Lee. **OVER IN THE GARDEN.** New York: Doubleday, 2025.

Young gardeners dig, push wheelbarrows, make compost, and plant bulbs and seeds in this clever counting rhyme.

SB 455 .M29 2025

Mazer, Anne. Illustrated by Steve Johnson and Lou Fancher. **THE SALAMANDER ROOM.** New York: Dragonfly Books, 1991.

A boy and his mother talk about what would make their house a home for a salamander.

SB 455 .M3 1991

MacLachlan, Patricia. Illustrated by Francesca Sanna. **MY FRIEND EARTH.** San Franscisco, CA: Chronicle, 2020.

A playful personification of Earth dances through the pages of this book, watching over wrens, spiders, reindeer, fish, and all other life on the planet.

SB 455 .M23 2020

McBratney, Sam. Illustrated by Anita Jeram. **GUESS HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU.** Cambridge, MA: Candlewick, 1995.

Little Nutbrown Hare and his father play a guessing game outdoors as they get ready for bed.

SB 455 .M32 1995

McCanna, Tim. Illustrated by Aimée Sicuro. **IN A GARDEN.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2020.

A garden in the city is the scene of this poetic picture book, which describes changes in the garden over the course of a year. It also describes changes in weather as well as the transition and from day to night and back again.

SB 455 .M32 2020

McClure, Nikki. **1,2,3 SALISH SEA: A PACIFIC NORTHWEST COUNTING BOOK.** Seattle: Little Bigfoot, 2021.

This enchanting counting book includes orcas, cedar, madrona, salmon, kelp, clam gardens and more.

SB 455 .M33 2021

McClure, Nikki. **APPLE.** New York: Abrams, 2012.

Cut paper illustrations and minimal text (one word per page) tell the story of a little girl who grows an apple tree from a seed.

SB 455 .M33 2012

McClure, Nikki. **TO MARKET, TO MARKET.** New York: Abrams, 2011.

As a boy and his mother shop for apples, honey, and other groceries at the Olympia Farmers Market in Washington State, they learn how local producers prepare for market day.

SB 455 .M33 2011

McDonald, Rae. Illustrated by Kathleen Kemly. **A FISHING SURPRISE.** Minnetonka, MN: Northword, 2007.

In this story by Pacific Northwest author Rae McDonald, a day set aside for trout fishing turns into an apple harvest.

SB 455 .M34 2007

McDonald, Rae. Illustrated by Eric Groff. **GRAN, GRAN, GRANNY.** Stamford, TX: Clear Fork, 2018.

A family takes a hike to celebrate (and measure) the ancient Douglas fir tree they call Granny.

SB 455 .M34 2007

McKelvey, Katrina and Kirrili Lonergan. **DANDELIONS.** Wollombi, Australia: 2015.

Father and daughter discuss dandelions and how they seed down, while readers follow the dandelion seeds on a fantastical adventure.

SB 455 .M54 2015

McKinnon, Natalie. Illustrated by Margaret Tolland. **SEED MAGIC.** Adelaide, Australia: Starfish Bay, 2018.

This picture book featuring a spider and an ant gardening together introduces the concept of making many seeds by planting one.

SB 455 .M33 2018

McLeod, Elaine. Pictures by Colleen Wood. **LESSONS FROM MOTHER EARTH**. Toronto, Canada: Groundwood, 2002.

Sustainable foraging is the subject of this sweet story of a grandmother teaching her granddaughter where to find lamb's-quarters, wild blueberries, and other useful plants.

SB 455 .M54 2002

McLerran, Alice. Illustrated by Barbara Cooney. **ROXABOXEN**. New York: HarperCollins, 1991.

Roxaboxen is a place in the desert, but it is a place you may recognize from childhood, even if you didn't grow up in a desert. It's an outdoor landscape ready to take on whatever children's imaginations require: house building, galloping, battles, and town-building.

SB 455 .M34 1991

McMullan, Kate. Illustrated by Mavis Smith. **FLUFFY GROWS A GARDEN.** New York: Scholastic, 2001.

This easy reader will be as much fun for kids who love to garden as it is for kids who love animals.

SB 455 .M35 2001

McNamara, Margaret. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. **THE APPLE ORCHARD RIDDLE.** New York: Schwartz & Wade Books, 2013.

When students in Mr. Tiffin's class have a chance to solve a riddle during a field trip to an apple orchard, it is Tara's daydreams that may lead to the answer.

SB 455 .M63 2013

McNamara, Margaret. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. **HOW MANY SEEDS IN A PUMPKIN?** New York: Schwartz & Wade Books, 2007.

Join Charlie, the smallest kid in class, for a math and science lesson to find out how many seeds each of three different-sized pumpkins holds. Big illustrations and an emotional landscape familiar to anyone who has ever felt uncomfortable about being different make this good for reading aloud.

SB 455 .M63 2007

McNaughton, Colin. **SPRING.** New York: Dial, 1984.

Celebrate spring with this board book for beginning readers.

Board Book

McPhail, David. **THE FAMILY TREE**. New York: Henry Holt, 2012.

In this beautifully illustrated picture book, a boy and his animal friends work together to save a tree threatened by development.

SB 455 .M74 2012

McPhail, David. **THE SEARCHER AND OLD TREE**. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2008.

The Searcher is a raccoon, foraging by night and returning to his strong, old tree each day to sleep. One day a storm comes. The tree, battered by howling winds and crashing waves, remains standing and keeps the Searcher safe. This book makes a great springboard for discussions about trees and habitat.

SB 455 .M74 2008

McQuinn, Anna. Illustrated by Rosalind Beardshaw. **LOLA MEETS THE BEES.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2024.

Rooftop honeybee hives provide a field lesson in biology for young Lola, who plants flowers to help the bees.

SB 455 .M78 2024

McQuinn, Anna. Illustrated by Rosalind Beardshaw. **LOLA PLANTS A GARDEN.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2014.

Lola loves reading about Mary Quite Contrary. She decides to plant her own flower garden, with help from her family.

SB 455 .M78 2014

McQuinn, Anna. Illustrated by Ruth Hearson. **LEO ON A HIKE.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2023.

Leo notices leaves, bird footprints, a pine cone and more on a hike with his daddy.

Board Book

Meddour, Wendy. Illustrated by Daniel Egnéus. **TISHA AND THE BLOSSOMS.** Sommerville, MA; Candlewick Press, 2021.

After a day of rushing around, Tisha and her family slow down and appreciate the falling cherry blossoms.

SB 455 .M43 2021

Meloy, Colin. Illustrated by Carson Ellis. **WILDWOOD.** New York: HarperCollins, 2011.

A Portland couple, musician and author Colin Meloy and beloved illustrator Carson Ellis, collaborated on this captivating fantasy novel for young readers.

SB 455 .M45 2011

Merberg, Julie; Bober, Suzanne. **IN THE GARDEN WITH VAN GOGH.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2002.

Vincent Van Gogh's paintings pair with rhyming text in this colorful little book.

Board Book

Messner, Kate. Art by Christopher Silas Neal. **OVER AND UNDER THE POND.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2017.

Readers follow a boy and his mother as they paddle their canoe and observe pond life. The pond pictured has much in common with our Union Bay Natural Area, though it is based on Barnum Pond in the Adirondack Mountains. The book introduces the pond ecosystem and food chain.

SB 455 .M47 2017

Messner, Kate. Art by Christopher Silas Neal. **UP IN THE GARDEN AND DOWN IN THE DIRT.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2015.

A girl and her Nana garden together. As the seasons pass, they watch closely to see what happens in the garden and imagine what is happening underground, where the earthworms, pillbugs, and other small animals are improving the soil and helping gardeners in other ways. "Every garden is a community garden," the author says in an afterword. "You may work hard planting seeds and pulling weeds, but plants can't thrive without the help of all those smaller gardeners down in the dirt."

SB 455 .M47 2015

Middleton, Charlotte. **NIBBLES: A GREEN TALE.** Tarrytown, NY: Marshall Cavendish Children, 2009.

Meet Nibbles, a guinea pig who loves soccer almost as much as he loves to eat dandelion leaves. When a worldwide dandelion shortage hits, he knows just what to do: he visits the library, where he does research and learns how to grow all the dandelions his town needs. Charming!

SB 455 .M54 2009

Middleton, Charlotte. **NIBBLES' GARDEN: ANOTHER GREEN TALE.** Tarrytown, NY: Marshall Cavendish Children, 2009.

Nibbles is back and grappling with a new problem: his pet caterpillars have disappeared! With some help from a local café owner, he learns what has become of them. The story playfully reinforces readers' knowledge of habitat and metamorphosis.

SB 455 .M54 2012

Millard, Glenda. Illustrated by Rebecca Cool. **ISABELLA'S GARDEN.** Somerville, MA; Candlewick, 2009.

Using the traditional "This is the house that Jack built" pattern, this lyrical song about Isabella's garden is brightly illustrated with images of flowers, birds and gardeners working together.

SB 455 .M55 2009

Millen, C.M. Illustrated by Andrea Wisnewski. **THE INK GARDEN OF BROTHER THEOPHANE.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2010.

Anyone with an interest in medieval times will want to read this lavishly illustrated account of one monk's adventures in the garden and the scriptorium.

SB 455 .M55 2010

Miller, Pat Zietlow. Illustrated by Melissa Crowton. **IN OUR GARDEN.** New York: Putnam, 2022.

This picture book shows the work and the fun of a community rooftop garden, celebrating the way a garden makes a new place feel like home.

SB 455 .M55 2022

Miller, Pat Zietlow. Illustrated by Anne Wilsdorf. **SOPHIE'S SQUASH.** New York: Schwartz & Wade, 2013.

A young girl befriends a squash from the farmers' market in this humorous tale of accidental vegetable gardening.

SB 455 .M56 2013

Minor, Wendell. **HOW BIG COULD YOUR PUMPKIN GROW?** New York: Nancy Paulsen Books, 2013.

Wendell Berry dedicates this picture book to "young pumpkin lovers who dream big!" Read it and imagine pumpkins big enough for Paul Bunyan's garden, or a place on Mount Rushmore.

SB 455 .M57 2013

Miyakoshi, Akiko. **THE TEA PARTY IN THE WOODS.** Toronto: Kids Can, 2015.

This magical tale of a child who joins a group of woodland animals for a tea party celebrates the way newfound friends can help turn a difficult day around.

SB 455 .M59 2015

Moga, Honey. Illustrated by Dabin Han. **THE JOURNEY OF NEIL THE GREAT DIXTER CAT: A TRUE STORY.** Brooklyn, NY: Leo, an Imprint of Regan Arts, 2022.

How did a tiny cat from Afghanistan come to live in the garden at Great Dixter in England? Learn about her extraordinary life in this enchanting picture book.

SB 455 .M64 2022

Montenegro, Laura Nyman. **A POET'S BIRD GARDEN**. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2007.

When Natalie's pet bird Chirpie is loose, she calls her friends the poets for help in this funny, lyrical picture book about creating a bird garden.

SB 455 .M66 2007

Moore, Sandra. Illustrated by Kazumi Wilds. **THE PEACE TREE FROM HIROSHIMA.** North Clarendon, VT: Tuttle, 2015.

Based on a true story, this picture book follows the life of a bonsai tree that was already hundreds of years old in 1945 when it survived the bombing of Hiroshima.

SB 455 .M66 2015

Morales, Yuyi. **BRIGHT STAR.** New York: Neal Porter Books, 2021.

Set in the borderlands between the United States and Mexico, this picture book follows a whitetail fawn as her mother encourages her to take her first steps.

SB 455 .M67 2021

Moser, Lisa. Illustrated by Gwen Millward. **STORIES FROM BUG GARDEN.** Somerville, MA; Candlewick Press, 2016.

Butterfly, Roly-Poly, Bee, Ladybug, Dragonfly and all their friends have silly good times in a garden that has no human caretakers.

SB 455 .M67 2016

Muldrow, Diane. Illustrated by Bob Staake. **WE PLANTED A TREE.** New York: Golden Books, 2010.

In this colorful and easy-to-read book, we see how families and communities around the world benefit when people plant trees.

SB 455 .M85 2010

Mullen, Diane C. Illustrated by Oriol Vidal. **ONE LITTLE LOT: THE 1-2-3s OF AN URBAN GARDEN.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2020.

This counting book set in a community garden shows how neighbors transform it from a trash-strewn vacant lot to a green oasis for growing and sharing food.

SB 455 .M85 2020

Muller, Gerda. **HOW DOES MY GARDEN GROW?** Edinburgh, Scotland: Floris Books, 2013.

When Sophie stays with her grandparents one summer, she learns about garden tools from her grandfather, plants seeds, harvests fresh peas, observes ladybugs developing, learns about pollination from her grandmother's botanical sketches, makes salad from the garden, helps prepare the garden for the cooler weather to come, and much more. She returns to the city ready to start gardens on her windowsill and her friend's balcony.

SB 455 .M85 2013

Muller, Gerda. **A YEAR IN OUR NEW GARDEN.** Edinburgh, Scotland: Floris Books, 2016.

Siblings moving to a new house find lots to do in the long-neglected garden there. They have help from their new neighbor, Louis, a nine-year-old who overlooks their garden from his apartment balcony, where he cultivates a lush container garden from his wheelchair.

SB 455 .M85 2016

Murphy, Joy Wandin and Andrew Kelly. Illustrated by Lisa Kennedy. **BIRRARUNG WILAM: A STORY FROM ABORIGINAL AUSTRALIA.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2020.

Using the Woiwurrung language words for plants and animals, this story of life along the Birrarung (Yarra River) brings readers close to wood ducks, tree ferns, and Bunjil, the wedge-tailed eagle and creator spirit of the Wurundjeri people.

SB 455 .M86 2020

Murphy, Mary. **ONLY A TREE KNOWS HOW TO BE A TREE.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2020.

Teachers and parents looking to reinforce the idea that each organism on earth, including each person, is unique and worthy of respect will enjoy sharing this book with the young people in their lives.

SB 455 .M87 2020

Murray, Alison. **APPLE PIE ABC.** New York: Disney Hyperion, 2011.

This cleverly designed alphabet book tells the story of a girl, her dog, and their apple pie.

SB 455 .M87 2011

Musser, Andy Chou. **A HOME UNDER THE STARS.** Seattle, WA: Sasquatch, 2021.

Northwest author/illustrator Andy Chou Musser tells the story of Toby, whose family moves to the city. Toby misses being able to see the stars. In the end, he finds a creative way to remember that they are still there, even when he can't see them.

SB 455 .M87 2021

Na, Il Sung. **A BOOK OF SLEEP**. New York: Random House, 2011.

This board book introduces the topic of nocturnal animals. The main character is an owl, who stays up all night watching other animals sleep in their unique ways.

Board Book

Nargi, Lela. Illustrated by Kyrsten Brooker. **THE HONEYBEE MAN**. New York: Schwartz & Wade, 2011.

Fred is a rooftop beekeeper in New York. Follow him as he cares for his hives and collects honey in this enchanting picture book, based on the work of two real Brooklyn beekeepers.

SB 455 .N27 2011

Narita, Kate. Pictures by Suzanne Kaufman. **100 BUGS! A COUNTING BOOK**. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2018.

As the two kids in this rhyming picture book explore their farm, they find and count insects. The author is also a fourth-grade teacher, and that experience gives her insight into what will hold children's interest. Suzanne Kaufman lives in Seattle.

SB 455 .N27 2018

Nelson, Sarah. Illustrated by Ellen Rooney. **A PARK CONNECTS US.** Toronto: Owlkids, 2022.

Parks belong to everyone--and everyone belongs in parks! This is the message of Sarah Nelson's joyous picture book collaboration with illustrator Ellen Rooney.

SB 455 .N35 2022

Newbery, Linda. **LUCY AND THE GREEN MAN**. New York: David Fickling Books, 2010.

For middle readers, this illustrated chapter book follows Lucy, a girl who loves working in her grandfather's garden over her school holidays. Together, they see a magical green man called Lob in the garden. While Lucy is back at school, Grandpa Will dies suddenly, and Lucy decides to seek the green man on her own. Even though she can't get to Grandpa's garden, she works to create a space for Lob closer to home.

SB 455 .N45 2010

Nichols, Lori. **MAPLE.** New York: Nancy Paulsen, 2014.

Maple is a girl who loves the outdoors, particularly when she is visiting the maple tree planted in her honor. When her baby sister Willow arrives, they enjoy sharing time together with their trees.

SB 455 .N53 2014

Nolen, Jerdine. Illustrated by David Catrow. **PLANTZILLA.** San Diego: Silver Whistle/Harcourt, Inc., 2002.

Fantastical and fun, this tale of carnivorous-plant mayhem will keep elementary school kids laughing.

SB 455 .N65 2002

Oda, Mayumi. **HAPPY VEGGIES.** Berkeley, CA: Parallax Press, 2018.

Poetic text complements vibrant illustrations in this song of appreciation to Mother Nature for vegetables. The author worked on this book at Green Gulch Farm Zen Center in California.

SB 455 .O32 2018

Ofanansky, Allison. Photographs by Eliyahu Alpern. **SUKKOT TREASURE HUNT**. Minneapolis: Kar-Ben, 2009.

In this photo-essay, a family gathers date palm branches, willow branches, myrtle, and an etrog for Sukkot.

SB 455 .042 2009

Okri, Ben. Illustrated by Diana Ejaita. **EVERY LEAF A HALLELUJAH.** New York: Other Press, 2022.

As the author poetically states, we can only hear the voices of trees when we befriend them. In this vividly illustrated tale, readers meet a 7-year-old girl who does just that.

SB 455 .O57 2022

O'Leary, Sara. Illustrated by Julie Morstad. **THIS IS SADIE.** Toronto, Ontario: Tundra Books, 2015.

Through the magic of stories, Sadie's imagination can take her anywhere she wants to go, including into a treetop, where she chats with birds.

SB 455 .O54 2015

O'Leary, Sara. Illustrated by Qin Leng. **A KID IS A KID IS A KID.** Toronto, Ontario: Groundwood Books, 2021.

This is a captivating story of inclusion on the playground, and what it really means to kids.

SB 455 .O54 2021

O'Leary, Sara. Illustrated by Carmen Mok. **PERCY'S MUSEUM.** Toronto, Ontario: Groundwood Books, 2021.

When Percy moves to the country, he feels a bit lonely at first. Over time, he discovers the surprises and joys awaiting him outdoors.

SB 455 .O54 2021

Olitzky, Kerry; Cohen, Deborah Bodin. Illustrated by Stacey Dressen McQueen. **AN ETROG FROM ACROSS THE SEA.** Minneapolis, MN: Kar-Ben, 2024.

Inspired by the story of the Sephardic Jewish merchant and trader Luis Moises Gomez, who lived from 1660 to 1740, this picture book is set in the British colony of New York in 1729.

SB 455 .O55 2024

O'Neal, Shaquille. Illustrated by Theodore Taylor III. **LITTLE SHAQ**. New York: Bloomsbury, 2015.

In this short illustrated chapter book, two cousins start a gardening business and volunteer to fix up the garden at their neighborhood rec center.

SB 455 .O64 2015

Oram, Hiawyn. Illustrated by Susan Varley. **PRINCESS CHAMOMILE'S GARDEN**. New York: Dutton Children's Books, 2000.

After working with the royal gardener and proving she doesn't mind getting dirty, one mouse princess has a dream: to design and build her own garden.

SB 455 .O72 2000

Oswald, Pete. **HIKE.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2020.

In this nearly wordless book, a father and child pack up and leave the city behind for a hiking day. They see eagles, take in the view from a mountaintop, cross streams, climb rocks, track a bear, have a snowball fight, plant a tree, and take a picture for their family album.

SB 455 .O79 2020

Pak, Kenard. **GOODBYE SUMMER, HELLO AUTUMN.** New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2016.

We have all seen books about particular seasons and about all four seasons, but this series takes on the liminal space between seasons. Readers will enjoy the young protagonist's observation of familiar signs of fall's approach.

SB 455 .P25 2016

Pallotta, Jerry. Illustrated by Shennen Bersani. **BUTTERFLY COLORS AND COUNTING.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2013.

What do the cloudless sulphur, the amethyst hairstreak, and the Orion have in common? They are all among the butterfly species pictured in this bright book from Jerry Pallotta and Shennen Bersani.

Board Book

Pallotta, Jerry. **THE FLOWER ALPHABET BOOK**. Boston: Quinlan Press, 1988.

For the younger child, a beautifully illustrated look at flowers from A to Z. With ideas for uses of flowers and a bit of historical lore, we could call this a flower appreciation book in a familiar format.

SB 455 .P25 1988

Pallotta, Jerry. **THE FROG ALPHABET BOOK**. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 1990.

Not just frogs but amphibians of all stripes (and other patterns as well) are pictured and described in this colorful book.

SB 455 .P25 1990

Pallotta, Jerry. **THE ICKY BUG COUNTING BOOK.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 1992.

This bug book counts familiar and unfamiliar bugs in reverse alphabetical order, from one zebra swallowtail to twenty-six army ants.

SB 455 .P25 1992

Pallotta, Jerry. Illustrated by Joy Newton. **THE VERY BERRY COUNTING BOOK.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2017.

Berries and toddlers go together like picnics and sunshine. This simple counting book features colorful illustrations and minimal text.

Board Book

Parker, Kim. **COUNTING IN THE GARDEN.** New York: Orchard Books, 2005.

Preschoolers will love this one-to-ten counting book with its bright illustrations and whimsical wildlife. The colors are reminiscent of Russian decorated eggs.

SB 455 .P27 2005

Parra, John. **GROWING AN ARTIST: THE STORY OF A LANDSCAPER AND HIS SON.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2022.

This vibrantly illustrated book is based on the author's youthful days spent in gardens with his father, who ran a landscaping business.

SB 455 .P27 2022

Paschkis, Julie. **FLUTTER & HUM: ANIMAL POEMS/ALETEO Y ZUMBIDO: POEMAS DE ANIMALES.** New York: Henry Holt, 2015.

Playful poems in Spanish and English are accompanied by word-filled bilingual illustrations.

SB 455 .P28 2015

Paschkis, Julie. **P. ZONKA LAYS AN EGG**. Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2014.

Written by a Seattle artist/illustrator, this colorful fable imagines that Ukrainian decorated eggs (called pysanky) are laid by a special chicken named P. Zonka.

SB 455 .P28 2014

Paschkis, Julie. **THE WORDY BOOK**. New York: Enchanted Lion Books, 2021.

Garden scenes, wordplay and big questions combine in this loopy, jazzy, lazy-daisy gem of a book.

SB 455 .P28 2021

Paul, Miranda. Pictures by Carin Berger. **ARE WE PEARS YET?** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2017.

Two pear seeds with personality discuss their progress as they grow into pear trees and produce new pears with seeds of their own.

SB 455 .P28 2017

Pearson, Susan. Illustrated by David Slonim. **HOW TO TEACH A SLUG TO READ.** Las Vegas: Amazon Children's Publishing: 2011.

This picture book provides simple, step-by-step instructions for teaching a slug how to read, including using Mother Slug rhymes, helping your slug sound out words, and making vocabulary lists.

SB 455 .P42 2011

Peter, Gareth. Illustrated by Izzy Evans. **MY MOMMIES BUILT A TREEHOUSE.** Newbury, UK: Lantana, 2023.

The boy in this story has always wanted a treehouse, and his parents pool their talents to help him build one.

SB 455 .P48 2023

Pfeffer, Rubin. Pictures by Mike Austin. **SUMMER SUPPER.** New York: Random House, 2018.

Some siblings sample savory succotash simply served-stupendous! Sweet story, starring scenes by Seattle illustrator Mike Austin.

SB 455 .P44 2018

Pierloot, Mathieu. Illustrated by Maria Dek. **LOOK, IT'S RAINING**. New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 2018.

Camille's rainy-day adventure in her neighborhood gives her the rare opportunity to watch a butterfly prepare for its first flight.

SB 455 .P54 2018

Pignat, Caroline. **POETREE.** Markham, Ontario: Red Deer Press, 2018.

Acrostic poems organized by season describe the growth of apple, oak, and other trees from seeds.

SB 455 .P55 2018

Pinkwater, Daniel. Illustrated by Jill Pinkwater. **RAINY MORNING**. New York: Atheneum, 1998.

How will Mr. and Mrs. Submarine spend a rainy morning? Stay inside, of course, with an ever-growing number of friends and neighbors.

SB 455 .P56 1998

Portis, Antoinette. **A NEW GREEN DAY.** New York: Neal Porter, 2020.

Nature riddles invite readers to take time and find treasures outdoors.

SB 455 .P67 2020

Potter, Beatrix. **THE TALE OF JEMIMA PUDDLE-DUCK.** New York: Little Simon, 1987.

Beatrix Potter's classic tale of the naïve duck and her handsome, gentlemanly "friend" the fox makes for cozy bedtime reading.

SB 455 .P68 1987

Priceman, Marjorie. **HOW TO MAKE AN APPLE PIE AND SEE THE WORLD.** New York: Dragonfly Books, 1994.

The baker in this book visits Italy for wheat, France for eggs, Sri Lanka for cinnamon, England for milk, the Caribbean Sea for salt, Jamaica for sugar, and the state of Vermont for apples as she prepares to make a pie. Check the back for a recipe.

SB 455 .P75 1994

Pryor, Katherine. Illustrated by Ellie Peterson. **BEA'S BEES**. Atglen, PA: Schiffer Publishing, 2019.

Bea's effort to help her neighborhood bees includes curiosity, library research, asking questions at school, participation in a science fair, volunteerism, planting flowers, and persistent patience.

SB 455 .P79 2019

Pryor, Katherine. Illustrated by Rose Soini. **HELLO, GARDEN!** Atglen, PA: Schiffer Kids, 2024.

A vegetable garden full of kale, strawberries, hummingbirds, and earthworms is a wonderful place to play in this sweet board book from a Northwest author/illustrator team.

Board Book

Pryor, Katherine. Illustrated by Rose Soini. **HELLO, RAIN!** Atglen, PA: Schiffer Kids, 2021.

Readers are encouraged to grab a raincoat and get outside in this rhyming board book.

Board Book

Pryor, Katherine. Illustrated by Polina Gortman. **SPRING IS FOR STRAWBERRIES**. Atglen, PA: Schiffer Publishing, 2023.

This picture book takes readers through a bountiful year at the farmers market, following two young friends to all their favorite seasonal treats.

SB 455 .P79 2023

Pryor, Katherine. Illustrated by Anna Raff. **SYLVIA'S SPINACH**. Bellevue, WA: Readers to Eaters, 2012.

Local author Katherine Pryor teams up with New York illustrator Anna Raff for this tale of the power of growing your own.

SB 455 .P79 2012

Pryor, Katherine. Illustrated by Anna Raff. **ZORA'S ZUCCHINI**. Bellevue, WA: Readers to Eaters, 2015.

Growing zucchini for the first time, Zora gets a bigger harvest than her family can eat. A creative thinker, she arranges a garden swap to share the bounty and get to know her neighbors.

SB 455 .P79 2015

Pumphrey, Jarrett and Jerome. **THE OLD TRUCK.** New York: W. W. Norton, 2020.

The creators of this celebration of persistence and grit, brothers from Texas, drew inspiration from the strength shown by their mother, grandmothers, and great-grandmother, who farmed in Louisiana and Texas.

SB 455 .P86 2020

Quattlebaum, Mary. Illustrated by Laura J. Bryant. **JO MACDONALD HAD A GARDEN.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 2012.

In this version of the classic song "Old MacDonald Had a Farm," the farmer's granddaughter plants a garden which provides a place for birds, insects, and other wild creatures to shelter and nest. At the end, find facts and activities related to this lively ecosystem.

SB 455 .Q92 2012 and Board Book

Quattlebaum, Mary. Illustrated by Laura J. Bryant. **JO MACDONALD SAW A POND.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 2011.

In this version of the classic song "Old MacDonald Had a Farm," the farmer's granddaughter discovers the creatures living at a pond.

SB 455 .Q92 2011

Rafi, Sana. Illustrated by Renia Metallinou. **LITTLE SEEDS OF PROMISE.** Seattle, WA: Innovation Press, 2021.

When Maya moves to a faraway land, her grandmother gives her some seeds along with advice: "Bloom where you are planted."

SB 455 .R24 2021

Raschka, Chris. **GIVE AND TAKE**. New York: Atheneum, 2014.

This whimsical fable tells the story of an apple farmer and his neighbors learning that life is better with a little give and take.

SB 455 .R27 2014

Raven, Margot Theis. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. **CIRCLE UNBROKEN.** New York: Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2004.

Crafting baskets of bulrush, palmetto, sweetgrass, and pine keeps tradition alive for generations of weavers in Africa and the United States.

SB 455 .R28 2004

Reibstein, Mark. Illustrated by Ed Young. **WABI SABI.** New York: Little, Brown & Company, 2008.

This book is a joy for anyone interested in learning about haiku, Japanese gardening, cats, Taoism, or wabi sabi itself. The collage illustrations, laid out in calendar format (spun 90 degrees from a typical picture book), seem to pop off the page.

SB 455 .R45 2008

Reid, Barbara. **PICTURE A TREE**. Chicago, IL: Albert Whitman, 2013.

With sculptural illustrations and poetic text, this picture book explores how we see trees.

SB 455 .R45 2013

Remen, Rachel Naomi. Illustrated by Rachel Sumpter. **THE BIRTHDAY OF THE WORLD.** Petaluma, CA: Cameron Kids, 2022.

When the author was four years old, her grandfather explained to her each person's responsibility to find the light in the world through kindness, listening, and care. In this picture book, she shares that message.

SB 455 .R46 2022

Resau, Laura. **TREE OF DREAMS.** New York: Scholastic, 2019.

Coco's mom's chocolate shop is in trouble. Coco and her friend Leo want to find a way to help on their trip to see the ceiba trees of the Amazon rain forest. Their friendships with the Indigenous Huaorani people they meet there bring about new hope for the trees and all those who depend on them.

SB 455 .R47 2019

Reul, Sarah Lynne. **BEANSPROUT.** Watertown, MA; Charlesbridge, 2025.

Uncertainty is part of the magic of seeds. As the children in this story see, some seeds don't sprout, but their potential inspires us to keep planting.

SB 455 .R48 2025

Richards, Beah E. Illustrated by R. Gregory Christie. **KEEP CLIMBING, GIRLS.** New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2006.

An ambitious girl climbs all the way to the top of a tree, despite naysaying shouts of anger and fear from Miss Nettie, an adult who'd like her to keep her feet on the ground.

SB 455 .R53 2006

Riggs, Kate. Illustrated by Maria Cristina Pritelli. **OPPOSITES ARE NATURAL.** Mankato, MN: Creative Editions, 2023.

This book presents opposites in nature as points on a continuum, showing young trees that grow old, and bright berries that darken, for example.

Board Book

Risom, Ole. Illustrated by Richard Scarry. **SOY UN CONEJO/I AM A BUNNY.** Madrid: Lata de Sal Vintage, 2015.

Richard Scarry's classic illustrations bring readers into a bunny's world throughout the year as he sniffs violets, dances with butterflies, blows dandelion fluff into the air, and curls up for a long winter's rest. With text in Castilian and English.

SB 455 .R57 2015

Rockwell, Anne. Illustrated by Lizzy Rockwell. **HIKING DAY.** New York: Aladdin, 2018.

The girl in this story climbs Hickory Hill with her family in autumn, when the trail is uncrowded and the fall colors are at their brightest.

SB 455 .R63 2018

Rodman, Mary Ann. Illustrated by Tatjana Mai-Wyss. **A TREE FOR EMMY.** Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2009.

Emmy loves all trees, particularly one that is hard to find at the garden store: the mimosa tree. Cheer her on as she grows a tree that is "stubborn and strong and a little bit wild," just like her.

SB 455 .R63 2009

Rosenberg, Madelyn. Illustrated by Jana Christy. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY, TREE! A TU B'SHEVAT STORY.** Chicago, IL: Albert Whitman, 2012.

Joni and her neighbor Nate decide to see what they can do for a favorite tree in their neighborhood for Tu B'Shevat, the Birthday of the Trees. This picture book is lovely and includes simple ways every kid can help the earth.

SB 455 .R67 2012

Rylant, Cynthia. Illustrated by Arthur Howard. **MR. PUTTER AND TABBY PICK THE PEARS.** San Diego: Harcourt Brace, 1995.

An easy chapter book with funny characters and clever problem-solving.

SB 455 .R95 1995

Rylant, Cynthia. Illustrated by Nikki McClure. **ALL IN A DAY.** New York: Abrams, 2009.

Cynthia Rylant (of Portland, Oregon) and Nikki McClure (of Olympia, Washington) team up in this vividly illustrated poem on a day's potential for outdoor work and wonder.

SB 455 .R95 2009

Saeed, Aisha. Illustrated by LeUyen Pham. **THE TOGETHER TREE.** New York: Salaam Reads, 2023.

Rumi finds peace and friendship under a schoolyard willow tree after a series of bullying incidents.

SB 455 .S24 2023

Sainte-Marie, Buffy. Illustrated by Julie Flett. **STILL THIS LOVE GOES ON.** Vancouver, BC: Greystone Kids, 2022.

Redolent with sweetgrass and the echoes of drumbeats and dancers' footfalls, this picture book includes sheet music for the Buffy Sainte-Marie song Julie Flett illustrates through it.

SB 455 .S25 2022

Sala, Felicita. **WHAT'S COOKING AT 10 GARDEN STREET?** Munich: Prestel, 2018.

Pictorial recipes for salmorejo, sesame soy broccoli, guacamole, coconut dahl, green rice, and more tasty treats from around the world tempt the reader in this picture book about a vibrant garden party at an apartment house.

SB 455 .S25 2018

Sala, Felicita. **WHAT'S COOKING IN FLOWERVILLE?** Munich: Prestel, 2022.

City families cook from the garden all year round in this vibrant storybook. Includes illustrated recipes for roasted beet dip, falafel, asparagus quiche, and more.

SB 455 .S25 2022

Salas, Laura Purdie. Illustrated by Violeta Dabija. **A LEAF CAN BE...** Minneapolis: Millbrook Press, 2012.

Luminous illustrations and poetic text combine in this delightful picture book about leaves.

SB 455 .S25 2012

Sarah, Linda. Illustrations by Fiona Lumbers. **THE SECRET SKY GARDEN.** London: Simon & Schuster, 2018.

Funni, the main character in this colorfully illustrated story, creates a rooftop garden atop an abandoned parking garage. She spends hours there cleaning up trash, watering the plants, flying her kite, watching the planes go by, and playing music on her recorder. Eventually, the garden brings a new friend into her life.

SB 455 .S27 2018

Scarry, Richard. **CARS AND TRUCKS FROM A TO Z.** New York: Random House, 1990.

Preschoolers love this apple-shaped book!

Board Book

Scanlon, Liz Garton. Illustrated by Marla Frazee. **ALL THE WORLD.** New York: Simon & Schuster, 2009.

The vivid illustrations in this book demonstrate how a day spent outdoors helps us find our place in the big picture.

Board Book

Scanlon, Liz Garton. Illustrated by Simone Shin. **THANK YOU, GARDEN.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2020.

This easy-to-read book captures the joy of sharing garden work and produce.

SB 455 .S32 2020

Scharnhorst, Becky. Illustrated by Jiarui Jiang. BEST BUDS. New York: Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2025.

The message of this book is that friendships, like houseplants, are growing things that need care and bring delight.

SB 455 .S33 2025

Schaub, Michelle. Illustrated by Blanca Gómez. **A PLACE FOR RAIN.** New York: W.W. Norton & Company, 2024.

Wearing brightly colored slickers and boots, students help to build a school rain garden in this vibrant and informative picture book.

SB 455 .S34 2-24

Schlaikjer, Erica Lee. Illustrated by Cinyee Chiu. **WILD GREENS, BEAUTIFUL GIRL. = 野菜姑娘 .** Ann Arbor, Michigan: Sleeping Bear, 2024.

This book in Chinese, Pinyin, and English won a 2025 Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries Award of Excellence for Literature for Children and was a Junior Library Guild selection as well as an Own Voices, Own Stories award winner.

SB 455 .S34 2024

Seeger, Laura Vaccaro. **FIRST THE EGG**. New York: Roaring Brook, 2007.

From egg to chicken, from tadpole to frog, from seed to flower, from word to story, this simple picture book deals with metamorphosis. Cleverly cut pages allow part of each full-page spread to become part of the previous illustration, or the next one.

SB 455 .S43 2007

Seeger, Laura Vaccaro. **GREEN**. New York: Roaring Brook, 2012.

Peek-through pages and very simple text make this book about the color green perfect for young children, who will like the surprises it offers.

SB 455 .S43 2012

Sehgal, Kabir; Sehgal, Surishtha. Illustrated by Vashti Harrison. **FESTIVAL OF COLORS.** New York: Beach Lane Books, 2018.

The children in this picture book use a rolling pin to crush dried flower petals as they prepare for Holi, the Festival of Colors. Then the whole community celebrates together.

SB 455 .S44 2018

Seibold, J. Otto. **THE FUCHSIA IS NOW.** New York: Scholastic, 2006.

Vivid colors and cartoon-style illustrations stand out in this story of a girl named Fuchsia and a fairy who comes out of a fuchsia flower to grant her birthday wishes.

SB 455 .S44 2006

Selsam, Millicent E. Illustrated by Tomi Ungerer. **SEEDS AND MORE SEEDS.** New York: Harper, 1959.

This classic "I Can Read Science" book follows young Benny as he sprouts seeds of many types.

SB 455 .S45 1959

Seuss, Dr. (Theodore Geisel). **THE LORAX.** New York: Random House, 1971 (1999 edition).

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not." Don't miss this classic tale of the importance of sustainability and environmental stewardship.

SB 455 .S48 1999

Shelby, Anne; Hazelaar, Cor. **THE MAN WHO LIVED IN A HOLLOW TREE.** New York: Simon and Schuster, 2009.

This well-illustrated tale of a man with a powerful love for trees is based on an Appalachian legend.

SB 455 .S44 2009

Sheth, Kashmira. Illustrated by Yoshiko Jaeggi. **MONSOON AFTERNOON.** Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2013.

In this rainy-day story, a boy and his grandfather go out in the monsoon rains to sail paper boats. When the rain stops, they explore the ways things in their part of India are different after the monsoon season begins, just as they were in the grandfather's own childhood.

SB 455 .S54 2013

Showers, Paul. Illustrated by Aliki. **THE LISTENING WALK.** New York: HarperCollins, 1991.

Recently reprinted, this classic picture book features a quiet walk, a chance for a girl, her dad, and their dog to notice sounds in nature.

SB 455 .S45 1991

Sidman, Joyce. Illustrated by Diana Sudyka. **DEAR TREEFROG.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2021.

This vibrantly illustrated book features poems by a young narrator who is cautiously getting to know her new neighborhood as she returns outside day after day to observe a tiny treefrog.

SB 455 .S53 2021

Silverstein, Shel. **THE GIVING TREE.** San Diego: HarperCollins, 1964.

This well-known sad story of the generosity of a tree is a classic.

SB 455 .S54 1964

Simmons, Dawn Langley. **THE GREAT WHITE OWL OF SISSINGHURST**. New York: Macmillan, 1993.

Fiction based on fact, this charming picture book follows three children as they help an injured owl at the famous gardens.

SB 455 .S55 1993

Singh, Rina. Illustrated by Nathalie Dion. **ONCE, A BIRD.** Victoria, British Columbia: Orca Book Publishers, 2023.

A nest-building robin is a sign of spring and a focal point for the community as they begin to look out their windows, emerging from a long and isolated winter. Except for the title, the book is wordless.

SB 455 .S54 2023

Sinha, Sarthak. **FARAH LOVES MANGOES.** London: Flying Eye, 2023.

Farah and her grandfather love their mango tree, and not just for the fruit it produces.

SB 455 .S56 2023

Slade Robinson, Nikki. **ANYWHERE ARTIST: SHE CREATES ART FROM ANYTHING, ANYTIME!** Boston: Clarion, 2016.

Illustrations for this inspirational picture book combine drawings of the young artist with photo-collages of her imaginative creations at the beach, in the forest, near a mud puddle, and even in a cloudy sky.

SB 455 .S52 2016

Smith, Danna. Illustrated by Teagan White. **PEEK-A-BOO HAIKU.** New York: Little Simon, 2023.

Sturdy flaps let readers play hide and seek with animals in scenes at the beach, a pond, a garden, a meadow, and a wintry forest.

Board Book

Smith, Lane. **GRANDPA GREEN.** New York: Roaring Brook, 2011.

A Caldecott Honor Book, this cleverly illustrated tale of a boy in his great-grandfather's topiary garden will charm anyone who loves history, gardens, or both.

SB 455 .S65 2011

Smith, Lane. **STICKLER LOVES THE WORLD.** New York: Random House, 2023.

Perfect for reading aloud, this is a charming fantasy about a strange creature whose enthusiasm for everything in nature is contagious.

SB 455 .S65 2023

Smith, Oriane. Illustrated by Alice Gravier. **DAYS LIKE THIS.** Varennes, Quebec: Milky Way Picture Books, 2022.

This picture book looks at a series of days (with rain showers, ripe strawberries, fallen leaves, snow, cherry blossoms, and more) from two different perspectives: a human child's and a tiny squirrel's. Enchanting illustrations and reverence for the web of life combine for a satisfying read-aloud.

SB 455 .S65 2022

Snyder, Lauren. Illustrated by Samantha Cotterill. **THE FOREVER GARDEN.** New York: Schwartz & Wade, 2017.

Gardening is a metaphor for friendship in this story of a gardener named Honey and her friend Laurel, a neighbor's child. The two friends spend time together enjoying Honey's garden, where she grows fruit, vegetables, and flowers. When Honey needs to move away, Laurel worries that the garden cannot go on without her. Happily, the garden and the friendship continue to grow.

SB 455 .S68 2017

Soffer, Allison Sarnoff. **APPLE DAYS: A ROSH HASHANA STORY.** Minneapolis, MN: KAR-BEN, 2014.

Ordinarily, Katy and her mother visit an orchard to pick the best apples for their homemade Rosh Hashanah applesauce. This year, though, Katy and her dad invent a new tradition--with a little help from their friends.

SB 455 .S27 2014

Spires, Ashley. **FAIRY SCIENCE.** New York: Crown Books for Young Readers, 2019.

Sparkly and scientific, this book encourages children to do their own research, including a lima bean germination test.

SB 455 .S75 2019

Spires, Elizabeth. Illustrated by Claire A. Nivola. **THE MOUSE OF AMHERST.** New York: Frances Foster Books, 1999.

Claire Nivola's line drawings include portraits of Emily Dickinson and her family as well as indoor and outdoor vignettes featuring Emmaline, the mouse who takes up residence behind the famous poet's wainscoting.

SB 455 .S75 1999

Spitzer, Katja. **LET'S GO OUTSIDE.** London: Flying Eye, 2015.

This pocket-size word book has illustrations so vivid, the air around it seems to vibrate!

SB 455 .S75 2015

Spurr, Elizabeth. Illustrated by Manelle Oliphant. **IN THE GARDEN**. Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2012.

With just a few words per page, this simple story of a boy growing vegetables is perfect for the youngest readers (and listeners).

Board Book

Srinivasan, Divya. **LITTLE OWL'S DAY**. New York: Viking, 2014.

When Little Owl cannot sleep, he has a daytime adventure with forest friends who are usually asleep when he is up and about.

Board Book

Srinivasan, Divya. **LITTLE OWL'S NIGHT**. New York: Viking, 2011.

Bold, high-contrast illustrations depict Little Owl's nighttime rounds as he visits other nocturnal animals.

Board Book

Stein, David Ezra. **LEAVES**. New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2007.

Bear enjoys his first year on the planet, until fall arrives. What is happening to the leaves? More importantly, how can he stop it? Surely the leaves would rather be on the trees, where they belong—but he can't get them to stick back on. Finally, the young bear burrows into a hole for a winter's rest with his pile of leaves and wakes up to a pleasant springtime surprise. Humor and tenderness make a winning combination here.

SB 455 .S83 2007

Stephens, Helen. **GLITTERY GARDEN**. New York: Little, Brown, 2003.

Twinkling mylar makes this "baby dazzler" stand out.

Board Book

Sterling, Michelle. Illustrated by Aaron Asis. **WHEN LOLA VISITS.** New York: Harpercollins, 2021.

In this celebration of summer, grandparents, and Filipino traditions, Lola brings joy, love, and mangoes with her when she comes to visit her children and grandchildren each year.

SB 455 .S84 2021

Stevens, Janet. **TOPS & BOTTOMS.** New York: Harcourt, Inc., 1995.

This Caldecott-winning adaptation of a folktale about clever Hare and drowsy Bear will have read-aloud audiences rolling in the aisles.

SB 455 .S84 1995

Stewart, Sarah; Small, David. **THE GARDENER**. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 1997.

In this Depression-era tale of urban horticulture, Lydia Grace must stay with relatives in the city when her farming family faces hard times. Be inspired by her ingenuity in creating a garden with little besides effort and imagination!

SB 455 .S85 1997

Stoop, Naoko. **RED KNIT CAP GIRL AND THE READING TREE.** New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2014.

The unique, luminous illustrations here feature ink, acrylic, and pencil on plywood, with the woodgrain showing through, ethereally adding to the composition of each two-page spread. Red Knit Cap Girl and her friends establish a woodland library to share books with everyone.

SB 455 .S86 2014

Storms, Patricia. Pictures by Nathalie Dion. **THE DOG'S GARDENER.** Toronto, Ontario: Groundwood, 2021.

Told from the point of view of a gardener's dog, this picture book hums with the joy of digging and planting.

SB 455 .S87 2021

Sudyka, Diana. **LITTLE LAND.** New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2023.

This picture book take the long view of life on earth, encouraging readers to look closely for what they can do to love and care for the land, "even when things seem unstoppable, unrecognizable, and beyond repair."

SB 455 .S83 2023

Suzuki, David; Ellis, Sarah; Illustrated by Sheena Lott. **SALMON FOREST.** Vancouver: David Suzuki Foundation/Greystone Books, 2003.

Beautifully illustrated and powerful, this story of a girl learning about the salmon life cycle with her dad makes a great read-aloud.

SB 455 .S89 2003

Swann, Rick. Illustrated by Christy Hale. **OUR SCHOOL GARDEN.** Bellevue, WA: Readers to Eaters, 2012.

Written by a Seattle school librarian, this picture book includes resources for those interested in starting or renovating a school garden.

SB 455 .S92 2012

Szekeres, Cyndy. **LADYBUG, LADYBUG, WHERE ARE YOU?** Racine, WI: Western, 1991.

Long out of print, this charmingly illustrated story of two mouse children out rambling with their ladybug friend still delights. It carries a gentle message of compassion.

SB 455 .S94 1991

Tabor, Corey R. **MEL FELL.** New York: HarperCollins, 2021.

Ideal for reading aloud, this book features a surprising layout that encourages readers to turn it around as they read. The topsy-turvy format echoes the tumbling adventure of the main character, a young kingfisher named Mel.

SB 455 .T22 2021

Takeuchi, Chihiro. **COLORS.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick, 2019.

Combining peek-through windows with outdoorsy shapes to find, this board book shows a range of shades in each featured color.

Board Book

Tallie, Mariahadessa Ekere. Illustrated by Ashleigh Corrin. **LAYLA'S HAPPINESS.** New York: Enchanted Lion Books, 2019.

What is happiness for you? Is it seeing the saffron-yellow moon in a plum-dark sky? Picking vegetables in a community garden? Checking the tide line for sand dollars? For Layla, it is all these things and more.

SB 455 .T25 2019

Tamar, Erika. **THE GARDEN OF HAPPINESS.** San Diego: Harcourt Brace, 1996.

The story of an urban community garden, this colorfully illustrated book is (as the front flap proclaims) a "tribute to the pride and hope found in multicultural neighborhoods."

SB 455 .T26 1996

Tariq, Ambreen. Illustrated by Stevie Lewis. **FATIMA'S GREAT OUTDOORS.** New York: Kokila, 2021.

Fatima's family is taking their first camping trip ever, and she can't wait! When they return, she will be able to tell her classmates everything she learned about camping and about her outdoor abilities.

SB 455 .T27 2021

Taylor, Sean; Morss, Alex. Illustrated by Cinyee Chiu. **BUSY SPRING: NATURE WAKES UP.** Mission Viejo, CA: Quarto, 2021.

Young people will enjoy looking for signs of spring in the garden and the pond along with the family in this beautiful book.

SB 455 .T28 2021

Taylor, Sean; Morss, Alex. Illustrated by Cinyee Chiu. **BUSY SPRING: NATURE WAKES UP.** Beverly, MA: Quarto/Happy Yak, 2022.

The grandfather in this story spends time outdoors with his granddaughter, answering her questions about how wildlife and plants cope with hot weather. An extended appendix discusses extreme weather caused by humans and what we can all do to help plants and animals.

SB 455 .T28 2022

Taylor, Sean; Morss, Alex. Illustrated by Cinyee Chiu. **WINTER SLEEP: A HIBERNATION STORY.** Mission Viejo, CA: Quarto, 2019.

A child visiting Granny learns about the differences between summer and winter landscapes, and how animals such as dormice, bats, earwigs, frogs, bears and others hibernate. The back pages include information on helping with conservation of bats, birds, amphibians, reptiles, bugs, and all endangered species.

SB 455 .T28 2019

Teckentrup, Britta. **BEE: NATURE'S TINY MIRACLE.** London: Little Tiger, 2016.

Children can follow a honeybee scout as she makes her rounds from flower to flower in this colorfully illustrated, simple book.

SB 455 .T43 2016

Teckentrup, Britta. Text by Patricia Hegarty. **TREE: SEASONS COME, SEASONS GO.** London: Little Tiger, 2015.

Peek-through pages reveal the animals who take shelter in a tree all year round.

SB 455 .T43 2015

Theule, Larissa. Illustrated by Sara Palacios. **A WAY WITH WILD THINGS.** New York: Bloomsbury, 2020.

Grandma Phyllis' 100th birthday party is a garden party. Poppy takes advantage of the outdoor setting to blossom from a "wallflower" to a "wildflower," helping her family and friends learn about insects. An excellent springboard for discussions of camouflage.

SB 455 .T44 2020

Thompson, Lauren. Illustrated by Jonathan Bean. **THE APPLE PIE THAT PAPA BAKED**. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2007.

Intriguing illustrations recall the work of Wanda Gág in this poetic tale of a delicious apple pie in the making.

SB 455 .T46 2007

Thompson, Laurie Ann. Illustrated by Jay Fleck. **YOU ARE A HONEYBEE**. New York: Dial, 2023.

This board-book introduction to the honey bee life cycle encourages readers to act out the bees' dances, construction projects, and feeding behaviors.

Board Book

Thompson, Mya. Illustrated by Claudia Dávila. **RUBY'S BIRDS.** Cary, NC: The Cornell Lab Publishing Group, 2020.

On a walk in Central Park, Ruby's neighbor Eva teaches her the basics of birdwatching, and then Ruby shares her new skill with her whole family.

SB 455 .T47 2020

Thurman, Kathryn K. Illustrated by Lindsay Ward. **A GARDEN FOR PIG.** Tulsa, OK: Kane Miller, 2010.

Pig only gets apples to eat on the farm, until one day he sneaks into the vegetable garden for delicious squash. Preschoolers will laugh when they hear how he manages to plant his own garden.

SB 455 .T48 2010

Titherington, Jeanne. **PUMPKIN, PUMPKIN.** New York: Greenwillow Books, 1986.

Gentle, easy-reading text and luminous colored pencil illustrations make this small book attractive to beginning pumpkin growers.

SB 455 .T58 1986

Tobia, Lauren. **OSCAR'S TOWER OF FLOWERS.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2021.

In this wordless book, Oscar creates an oasis in an apartment where he is staying temporarily and makes new friends along the way.

SB 455 .T63 2021

Togo, Narisa. **WHEN THE SAKURA BLOOM.** Minneapolis, MN: Berbay Books, 2022.

This picture book shows us how sakura (cherry blossoms) transform a Japanese town as everyone gathers to appreciate the fleeting season of bloom.

SB 455 .T64 2022

Tucker, Zoë. Illustrated by Zoe Persico. Beverly, MA: Frances Lincoln, 2019.**GRETA AND THE GIANTS**. Beverly, MA: Frances Lincoln, 2019

Inspired by the activism of Greta Thunberg, this fable about a girl battling giants resonates with the power of standing up for the Earth.

SB 455 .T83 2019

Tucker, Zoë. Illustrated by Julianna Swaney. **THE GARDEN WE SHARE**. New York: NorthSouth, 2022.

A child and her elderly friend garden together alongside friends and neighbors in this vibrant and touching tale of joyful work, loss, and promise.

SB 455 .T83 2022

Turk, Evan. **YOU ARE HOME: AN ODE TO THE NATIONAL PARKS.** New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2019.

Poetic and strikingly illustrated, this celebration of Zion, Olympic, Haleakalā, Sequoia, and other United States National Parks acknowledges the power of nature to unite everyone as members of a global community.

SB 455 .T87 2019

Tyler, Linda Wagner. Illustrated by Susan Davis. **THE AFTER-CHRISTMAS TREE.** New York: Viking, 1990.

A family finds a way to give their Christmas tree "a second season of giving," this time for wildlife, in this charming winter story.

SB 455 .T95 1990

Uegaki, Chieri; Simms, Genevieve. **OJIICHAN'S GIFT**. Toronto, Ontario: Kids Can Press, 2019.

Mayumi van Horton is a baby as our story begins. She travels with her family to Japan, where her grandfather has made her an exquisite garden out of stones. She visits every summer, helping him in the garden. One summer Ojiichan has not been well enough to work in the garden, and Mayumi has an idea that will help them both adjust to the change.

SB 455 .U44 2019

Underwood, Deborah. Illustrated by Cindy Derby. **OUTSIDE IN.** New York: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2020.

Think of the many ways "outside feeds us" as you read this luminous invitation to come out and play.

SB 455 .U63 2020

Van Allsburg, Chris. **TWO BAD ANTS.** Boston: Houghlin Mifflin, 1988.

Chris Van Allsburg's trademark illustrations take us into the world of two ants who venture out from their colony and get too close to the human world for their comfort.

SB 455 .V24 1988

Van Laan, Nancy. Illustrated by Susan Gaber. **WHEN WINTER COMES**. New York: Atheneum, 2000.

Where do the songbirds go in winter? What about the flowers? Rhythmic, rhyming text makes this an enjoyable read-aloud for preschoolers.

SB 455 .V25 2000

Van Cleve, Kathleen. **DRIZZLE.** New York: Dial, 2010.

The hero of this book, eleven year old Polly Peabody, tries to bring needed rain to her family's magical rhubarb farm in this funny middle reader.

SB 455 .V26 2010

Véissid, Jacqueline. Illustrated by Paola Zakimi. **RUBY'S SWORD.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2019.

Ruby's irresistible creativity and kindness make her the benevolent ruler of a fantastic land.

SB 455 .V45 2019

Viano, Hannah. **S IS FOR SALMON: A PACIFIC NORTHWEST ALPHABET.** Seattle: Little Bigfoot, 2014.

Pacific Northwest iconic animals and plants star in this boldly illustrated alphabet book.

SB 455 .V52 2014

Vojtech, Anna. **SURPRISE IN THE MEADOW.** New York: Holiday House, 2016.

This picture book follows the life cycle of sunflower as experienced by a chipmunk.

SB 455 .V65 2016

Waboose, Jan Bordeau. Illustrated by Brian Deines. **SKYSISTERS.** Toronto: Kids Can Press, 2000.

Readers can learn a few words in the Anishinawbe Ojibway language as they join a pair of sisters in venturing out on a snowy night, hoping to see the Northern Lights.

SB 455 .W33 2000

Waddell, Martin. Illustrated by Patrick Benson. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 1992.

Owl babies Sarah, Percy, and Bill wait for their mother to come home from hunting in this reassuring board book.

Board Book

Wahl, Phoebe. **LITTLE WITCH HAZEL.** Plattsburgh, NY: Tundra, 2021.

Little Witch Hazel has adventures in all four seasons in this whimsical book from Bellingham author/illustrator Phoebe Wahl.

SB 455.W24 2021

Walker, Anna. **FLORETTE.** Boston: Clarion Books, 2018.

Is there room for a garden in the city? When young Mae first arrives at her new apartment, the gray is unremitting and she misses her apple tree and daffodils. After a couple of false starts, Mae figures out a way to bring green leaves back into her life.

SB 455 .W25 2018

Wallace, Karen. **SCARLETTE BEANE.** New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 2000.

Funny, spunky Scarlette Beane gets more than she bargained for when she plants her own vegetables. They grow so large she invites the whole neighborhood over to eat them all.

SB 455 .W24 2000

Wallace, Nancy Elizabeth. **LEAVES! LEAVES! LEAVES!** New York: Marshall Cavendish, 2003.

Preschoolers and school-age kids will want to join Mama and Buddy Bear on their seasonal leaf walks and learn how and why leaves change throughout the year.

SB 455 .W25 2003

Wallace, Nancy Elizabeth. **PLANTING SEEDS.** New York: Marshall Cavendish, 2010.

This counting book follows a group of bunnies as they plant carrot seeds, care for their garden, and share the harvest.

Board Book

Wallace, Nancy Elizabeth. **PUMPKIN DAY!** New York: Marshall Cavendish, 2006.

Visit a pumpkin patch with a bunny family. The bunnies pick out pumpkins to take home and learn how pumpkins grow.

SB 455 .W25 2006

Wallace, Nancy Elizabeth. **SEEDS! SEEDS! SEEDS!** New York: Marshall Cavendish, 2004.

Mama and Buddy Bear are back, learning about seeds by collecting and sorting them. Cut-paper illustrations make this bright book stand out.

SB 455 .W25 2004

Wang, Michael. Illustrated by Lenny Wen. **LEIF'S GIFT.** New York: Norton, 2025.

The young hero of this story does research to improve his indoor garden. With his newfound propagation skills, he shares plant starts with his friends and neighbors.

SB 455 .W26 2025

Wang, Zaozao. Illustrated by Li Huang. Translated by Helen Wang. **安的种子 \ AN'S SEED.** Seattle: Candied Plums\Paper Republic LLC, 2017.

This is an illustrated fable about diligence and patience. written in Mandarin with English transliteration. It features a glossary along with the story in English in a compact format at the end.

SB 455 .W26 2017

Ward, Helen. Illustrated by Wayne Anderson. **THE TIN FOREST.** New York: Dutton, 2001.

With time and care, the main character builds a forest garden from reclaimed rubbish.

SB 455 .W27 2001

Weber, Audrey Helen. **THE WIND & THE CLOVER.** New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2022.

This book's whimsical illustrations and dreamy story line bring readers into the world of ground-dwelling bees as they visit flowers near and far.

SB 455 .W43 2022

Welsh, Clare Helen. Illustrated by Ásа Gilland. **THE PERFECT SHELTER.** La Jolla, CA: Kane Miller, 2020.

Told from a younger sibling's perspective, this picture book takes readers through summer days building shelters outdoors together and then stormier days spent in hospital waiting rooms and keeping the recuperating sister company at home.

SB 455 .W45 2020

Wells, Rosemary. **VOYAGE TO THE BUNNY PLANET: FIRST TOMATO, MOSS PILLOWS, AND THE ISLAND LIGHT.** New York: Viking, 2008.

Rosemary Wells' three classic tales of terrible days made better by thoughts of the outdoors appear together in this colorful, endearing little book.

SB 455 .W44 2008

Weston, Robert Paul. Illustrated by Misa Saburi. **NATSUMI'S SONG OF SUMMER.** Plattsburgh, NY: Tundra Books, 2020.

Written as a series of tanka poems, this picture book describes an American girl's visit to her cousin's home in Japan, where they observe cicadas, butterflies, waterlilies, and more signs of summer.

SB 455 .W47 2020

Wheeler, Eliza. **HOME IN THE WOODS.** New York: Nancy Paulsen Books, 2019.

A hardworking and creative family make their home in an abandoned shack in this glowingly illustrated book, which is based on a true story.

SB 455 .W45 2019

Wheeler, Eliza. **MISS MAPLE'S SEEDS.** New York: Nancy Paulsen Books, 2013.

Miss Maple is a tiny woman who travels by bluebird, collecting seeds and helping them find a place to grow. The illustrations in this book are enchanting!

SB 455 .W45 2013

Whitcomb, Mary E. Illustrated by Tara Callahan King. **ODD VELVET.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 1998.

Velvet is interested in things her classmates are not: milkweed pods, sparrow's eggs, and ashes from a real volcano. At first, she just seems odd, but as the kids get to know her better, they are in for some surprises. This is a charming book about the value of being oneself.

SB 455 .W44 1998

White, Dianne. Illustrated by Amy Schimler-Safford. **LOOK AND LISTEN.** New York: Holiday House, 2022.

This playful book presents bees, hummingbirds, swallows, frogs, and other garden inhabitants in an enjoyable guess-the-rhyme format.

SB 455 .W45 2022

White, Linda. **TOO MANY PUMPKINS.** New York: Holiday House, 1996.

What will Rebecca Estelle do with her huge pumpkin harvest? Enjoy the creative answer in this funny picture book.

SB 455 .W45 1996

Whitson, Elizabeth. **THE CASUAL OBSERVER.** Norwalk, CT: C. R. Gibson Company, 1973.

This delightfully illustrated tale of an observant toddler named Tina-bee inspires little ones to stop and smell the violets.

SB 455 .W46 1973

Wiatt, A. Roberta. Illustrated by Jackie Wiatt. **WHEN DAFFODILS RAN FREE.** New York: V&W Graphics, 2000.

This illustrated fable tells of a time in Mystic Land when daffodils ran free, until they had to take root to survive the winter.

SB 455 .W52 2000

Wilson, Karma. Illustrated by Dan Andreasen. **MORTIMER'S FIRST GARDEN.** New York: Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2009.

Join Mortimer Mouse in the garden as he plants his first sunflower, waits for it to grow, weeds, prays, waters, and finally harvests sunflower seeds to eat all winter. Lively illustrations make this book fun to share.

SB 455 .W55 2009

Wilson, Steve. Tapper, Lucy. **HEDGEHUGS.** New York: Henry Holt, 2014.

Horace and Hattie are friendly hedgehogs with only one problem: they are too prickly to hug each other. Toddlers will laugh with these sweet characters as they search the meadow for a solution.

Board Book

Wirth, Victoria. Illustrated by Scott Banfill. **WHISPER FROM THE WOODS.** New York: Green Tiger Press, 1991.

Stunning illustrations link the life story of trees with a child's own experiences in nature. Realistically portrayed wildlife will delight animal lovers.

SB 455 .W57 1991

Wittmann, Patricia. Illustrated by Nancy Poydar. **SCRABBLE CREEK.** New York: McMillan, 1993.

Camping is fun, but for certain kids the darkness and the animal sounds can be a little spooky. This is a story of overcoming those fears, written by a Seattle author.

SB 455 .W58 1993

Wolff, Ashley. **WILDFIRE!** New York: Beach Lane Book, 2021.

This vivid picture book depicts wildland firefighters at work, watched by the animals whose habitat they are trying to save.

SB 455 .W65 2021

Wolff, Ferida. Illustrated by Janet Pedersen. **A WEED IS A SEED.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1996.

The rhyming text in this funny little book is all about perspective. It begins, "A weed is a seed that just doesn't belong in the place where it happens to grow. But a weed can be feed for a cold country mouse digging out of the wintery snow."

SB 455 .W65 1996

Wong, Janet S. Illustrated by Bo Jia. **THE TRIP BACK HOME**. San Diego: Harcourt, 2000.

A young girl travels to visit to her mother's home village in Korea in this joyful book. The outdoor market scene is especially vivid.

SB 455 .W66 2000

Wood, Douglas. Illustrated by LeUyen Pham. **AUNT MARY'S ROSE.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2010.

Luminous illustrations take readers back in time in this story about the connection generations of gardeners feel for one rosebush.

SB 455 .W67 2010

Wu, Cathy. **POPO & MEIMEI CAN HELP.** New York: Little, Brown, 2024.

With a bold illustration style and speech bubbles reminiscent of a graphic novel, this charming book shows Meimei and her grandmother looking out for one another in the garden, at the store, and in the kitchen.

SB 455 .W8 2024

Yang, Belle. **A NEST IN SPRINGTIME.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2012.

This is a bilingual counting book in English and Mandarin Chinese.

Board Book

Yang, Belle. **SUMMERTIME RAINBOW.** Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2012.
This bilingual book of colors in English and Mandarin Chinese features a pair of rabbits.
Board Book

Yang, Kao Kalia. Illustrated by Seo Kim. **A MAP INTO THE WORLD.** Minneapolis, MN: Carolrhoda, 2019
As the main character in this tender story settles into a new home, she learns about sisterhood and neighborliness, watching the passing seasons reflected in ginkgo trees, lilacs, green onions, earthworms, snow, and sidewalk chalk.
SB 455 .Y26 2019

Yerxa, Leo. **LAST LEAF FIRST SNOWFLAKE TO FALL.** Berkeley, CA: Groundwood, 2012.
The textural quality and luminous colors in the illustrations capture the feeling of a late fall journey on foot through the forest and then over the water by canoe to a place untouched by other people, and finally the magic of waking to a new season in a snowy grove of maple trees.
SB 455 .Y47 2012

Yolen, Jane. **OWL MOON.** New York: Philomel Books, 1987.
This Caldecott Medal winner is a favorite of children everywhere for the way it captures the magic and suspense of a young girl's first owl sighting adventure.
SB 455 .Y65 1987

Yolen, Jane; Stemple, Heidi E.Y. Illustrated by Melissa Sweet. **YOU NEST HERE WITH ME.** Honesdale, PA: 2015.
Rhyming text describes the ways various species of birds nest, juxtaposed with the cozy bedtime story phrase "you nest here with me."
SB 455 .Y65 2015

Yoon, Salina. **PENGUIN AND PINECONE: A FRIENDSHIP STORY.** New York: Bloomsbury, 2012.
Penguin and Pinecone become friends who help one another grow in this funny story.
SB 455 .Y66 2012

Yoon, Salina. **PENGUIN AND PUMPKIN.** New York: Bloomsbury, 2014.
Penguin travels to a farm to learn "what fall looks like off the ice." His brother Pumpkin is too young to travel, so Penguin and his friends bring back a surprise for him.
SB 455 .Y66 2014

Young, Rebecca. Illustrated by Matt Ottley. **TEACUP.** New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 2015.
Anyone who has ever had to move will enjoy this fantasy about a boy who travels in a rowboat, bringing a teacup of earth to remind him of his former home. He is in for a few surprises, including the apple seedling that sprouts in that cup.
SB 455 .Y68 2015

Yuly, Toni. **SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT TREES.** New York: Atheneum Books, 2022.
Written and illustrated by a Bremerton, Washington author, this picture book asks some big questions, including "Does my favorite tree remember me?" and "When I plant a tree, are we family?"
SB 455 .Y85 2022

Zagwÿn, Deborah Turney. **APPLE BATTER.** Berkeley, CA: Tricycle Press, 1999.

A story of perseverance in the garden and on the baseball field, with a sweet reward at the end.

SB 455 .Z24 1999

Ziesler, Eileen. Illustrated by Andrea Korpinen. **THE HUNGRIEST CHICKADEE.** Ladysmith, WI: Toad House Publishing, 2013.

This gorgeously illustrated picture book follows a chickadee on his search for winter food. On his way to a child's bird feeder, the chickadee meets other forest animals and learns what they eat in winter.

SB 455 .Z54 2013

Zoehfeld, Kathleen Weidner. **SECRETS OF THE GARDEN: FOOD CHAINS AND THE FOOD WEB IN OUR BACKYARD.** New York: Knopf, 2012.

Chickens become the teachers in this entertaining, beautifully illustrated book about backyard ecology.

SB 455 .Z64 2012

Zuill, Andrea. **GUSTAV IS MISSING! A TALE OF FRIENDSHIP AND BRAVERY.** New York: Random House, 2023.

Can timid Little Cap the red-topped mushroom find his missing slug friend, Gustav? It's harder than he thought, but he gains valuable experience along the way.

SB 455 .Z85 2023

PARENT/TEACHER RESOURCE COLLECTION

Allen, Beatrice Boggs; Boggs, Belle. **PLANT PETS.** North Adams, MA: Storey, 2024.

The subtitle of this mother-daughter effort says it all: "27 cool houseplants to grow and love...with fun tips and tricks!"

SB 419 .A55 2024

Ahpornsiri, Helen. **DRAWN FROM NATURE.** Somerville, MA: Big Picture Press, 2018.

Helen Ahpornsiri presents nature through the seasons in a unique way, creating intricate illustrations from fronds, flowers, leaves, bark, seeds, and lichen.

QC 981.3 .A47 2018

Alma, Ann. **KIDS WHO GROW THEIR OWN FOOD.** Victoria, BC: Friesen Press, 2013.

The author follows children from seven British Columbia families as they grow their own vegetables and fruit, sharing diverse cultural traditions related to gardening.

SB 324 .A56 2013

Almeras, Bethe Gilbert. **ACCESS NATURE: 45 FUN, HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE!** Washington, DC: National Wildlife Federation, 2005.

A welcome trend in education is the emphasis on inclusion in teaching. Each lesson in this book includes specific adaptations to use when students have hearing, cognitive, motor, or visual disabilities. Activities include a habitat hunt, erosion observations, a bird behavior hike, and much more.

QH 541.2 .A56 2005

Amstutz, Lisa J. **AMAZING AMPHIBIANS: 30 ACTIVITIES AND OBSERVATIONS FOR EXPLORING FROGS, TOADS, SALAMANDERS AND MORE.** Chicago: Chicago Review Press, 2020.

This book from the Young Naturalists series offers engaging activities, fun facts, vivid photographs, and informative text.

QL 644.2 .A67 2020

Anderson, Bridget. **THE KINGDOMS OF LIFE: CLASSIFICATION.** New York: Bank Street/Lickle Publishing, 2002.

This illustrated overview of Linnaeus' classification system explains how scientists use careful observations and taxonomic rules to group all life on earth into six categories, and touches on the phyla within each kingdom.

QH 55 .K56 2002

Anderson, Margaret; Field, Nancy; Stephenson, Karen. **ANCIENT FORESTS: DISCOVERING NATURE.** Middleton, WI: Dog-Eared Publications, 1995.

Packed with activities reinforcing ecology concepts, this 40-page booklet will be useful for teachers and activity directors.

QH 541.5 .F6 A63 1995

Andrews, Kim. Illustrated by Katy Dockrill. **EXPLORING NATURE ACTIVITY BOOK FOR KIDS.** Emeryville, CA: Rockridge Press, 2019.

Parents, teachers, and young people will all enjoy the projects in this book: recording signs of the seasons, creating art from smooth stones, building a wind vane, and much more.

QH 48 .A63 2019

Appelhof, Mary; Fenton, Mary Frances; Harris, Barbara Loss. **WORMS EAT OUR GARBAGE: CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT.** Kalamazoo, MI: Flower Press, 1993.

Where else can you find almost two hundred pages of worm-related worksheets? Elementary and middle school students will love learning about worms and their important work.

S 661.2 .E2 A64 1993

Arboretum Foundation. **CHILDREN AND GARDENING: WASHINGTON PARK ARBORETUM BULLETIN vol. 58, no.4.** Seattle: Arboretum Foundation, 1996.

An extra copy of this issue of the *Arboretum Bulletin*, filled with lively articles by local notables, can be found in the Parent/Teacher Resource Collection.

SB 457 .W23 1996

Archer, Joe; Craig, Caroline. **PLANT, COOK, EAT! A CHILDREN'S COOKBOOK.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2018.

Originally published for the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, this vividly illustrated book teaches kids how to grow kale, garlic, beans, lettuce, carrots, and other vegetables, and then use them in recipes that the whole family can enjoy.

SB 457 .A73 2018

Arment, Ainsley. **WILD + FREE NATURE: 25 OUTDOOR ADVENTURES FOR KIDS TO EXPLORE, DISCOVER, AND AWAKEN THEIR CURIOSITY.** New York: Harpercollins, 2021.

With chapter titles that include "Exploring National Parks," "The Lost Art of the Family Walk," and "Cultivating Patience (and Mushrooms)," this book has something for every family.

QH 55 .A76 2021

Art, Henry W.; Robbins, Michael W. **WOODSWALK: PEEPERS, PORCUPINES & EXPLODING PUFFBALLS! WHAT YOU'LL SEE, HEAR & SMELL WHEN EXPLORING THE WOODS.** North Adams, MA: Storey, 2003.

It is easy to see why this book won the Teachers' Choice Award for books for the family in 2004. Written at an upper elementary reading level, it has fascinating illustrations and clear text explaining what you might see in forests all over North America at various times of year.

QH 541.5 .F6 A78 2003

Bacon, Gretchen, editor. **WORLD OF POLLINATORS: A GUIDE FOR EXPLORERS OF ALL AGES.** Mount Joy, PA: Fox Chapel/Creative Homeowner, 2023.

Combining vivid photographs with descriptive text, this book is full of activities to try and facts to learn about bees, birds, bats, and other pollinators.

QK 926 .B23 2023

Baker, Wendy, et al. **MAKE IT WORK!: PLANTS: A CREATIVE, HANDS-ON APPROACH TO SCIENCE**. New York: Aladdin, 1993.

Practical projects with easy-to-read instructions get kids working with their hands and thinking about collecting specimens, observing growth and decay, understanding ecosystems, and other aspects of botany. Although this book is written for kids to use on their own, parents and teachers will find ideas in it, too.

QH 55 .B26 1993

Bales, Suzanne Frutig. **READY, SET, GROW!: A GUIDE TO GARDENING WITH CHILDREN**. New York: Macmillan, USA, 1996.

From Burpee, this spiral-bound book suitable for use with children in grade school contains activities and garden designs.

SB 457 .B265 1996

Banning, Wendy; Sullivan, Ginny. **LENS ON OUTDOOR LEARNING.** St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2011.

Can outdoor education for children ages 3 to 5 thrive in a standards-based early learning landscape? Most definitely! The authors show how outdoor experiences foster curiosity, creativity, problem-solving, resilience, and other widely recognized hallmarks of successful preschool programs.

QH 51 .B26 2011

Barkham, Patrick. **WILD CHILD: COMING HOME TO NATURE.** London: Granta Books, 2020.

The author of this inspirational memoir is a natural history writer for the Guardian and an outdoor preschool parent volunteer. He reflects on the importance of time outside for the development of compassionate, grounded, responsible, and happy children.

QH 541.5 .H86 B37 2020

Barlowe, Dorothea. **BACKYARD NATURE COLORING BOOK.** Mineola, NY: Dover, 1999.

These are gorgeous line drawings of wildlife in backyard settings, perfect for your students to color. Each page has a short passage of text about the life cycle of the pictured animal.

QL 49 .B27 1999

Barss, Patchen. Illustrated by Todd Stewart.**FLOW, SPIN, GROW: LOOKING FOR PATTERNS IN NATURE.** Toronto, ON: Owlkids Books, 2022.

Branches, spirals, and other natural patterns are the subject of this fascinating picture book.

QK 50 .B27 2022

Bartholomew, Mel. **ALL NEW SQUARE FOOT GARDENING WITH KIDS: LEARN TOGETHER: GARDENING BASICS, SCIENCE AND MATH, WATER CONSERVATION, SELF-SUFFICIENCY, HEALTHY EATING.** Minneapolis: Cool Springs Press, 2014.

The author's system for growing vegetables in limited space is adapted here for parents and teachers who want to involve kids in gardening while they teach valuable skills such as healthy eating, science, math, and writing.

SB 321 .B27 2014

Bergeron, Josée. **BEYOND THE FRONT DOOR: EMBRACING NATURE FOR A HAPPIER AND HEALTHIER FAMILY.** New York: Morehouse, 2026.

The author is Red River Métis and lives in Kelowna, British Columbia. She offers practical tips as well as philosophical motivation for giving one's family the gift of more time communing with nature.

QH 51 .B47 2026

Bergeson, Terry, et al. **ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION GUIDELINES FOR WASHINGTON SCHOOLS.** Seattle, WA: Office of Environmental Education, 2000.

This 98-page illustrated document lists Washington State standards for environmental education in grades K-12 and provides ideas on how these standards applied in the classroom. The 1987 edition is also available for comparison.

QH 541.2 .W27 2000

Bernath, Stefen. **COMMON WEEDS COLORING BOOK.** New York: Dover, 1976.

Despite its early publication date, this coloring book is a reliable source for some hard-to-find line drawings, from dandelion and thistle to trumpet vine and Virginia creeper.

SB 611 .B47 1976

Bethmann, Laura Donnelly. **NATURE PRINTING WITH HERBS, FRUITS & FLOWERS.** Pownal, VT: Storey Communications, 1996.

A wonderful resource for art teachers, this crafty book gives detailed instructions for creating leaf and flower prints by several different methods. Not just for kids!

SB 449.48 .B48 1996

Bigelow, Bill and Tim Swinehart, editors. **A PEOPLE'S CURRICULUM FOR THE EARTH.** Milwaukee, WI: Rethinking Schools, 2015.

Each chapter of this 410-page volume contains sections by multiple contributors. Many, such as Bill Bigelow, Tim Swinehart, Ann Pelo and Adam Sanchez, are Pacific Northwest educators. Well-known thinkers from farther afield (such as Terry Tempest Williams and Vandana Shiva) also contribute.

QH 541.2 .B54 2015

Bird, Fiona. **LET YOUR KIDS GO WILD OUTSIDE: CREATIVE WAYS TO HELP CHILDREN DISCOVER NATURE AND ENJOY THE GREAT OUTDOORS.** London: CICO Books, 2016.

This UK-based author writes primarily for parents and caregivers. Teachers may also find unique project ideas here, however. Readers can learn how to make rosewater, for example.

QH 51 .B56 2016

Bishton, Emily. **DIRTY KNEES: A GUIDE TO WSU/CE KING COUNTY MASTER GARDENER YOUTH EDUCATION, 1973-2003.** King County, Washington State: Emily Bishton, 2004.

This in-depth study of the history of youth gardening and education in King County will be interesting to Master Gardeners and teachers, both to appreciate past accomplishments and to dream of future projects.

Archives 2.00.56.00 King County Master Gardeners

Bjork, Christina; Anderson, Lena. **LINNEA IN MONET'S GARDEN**. Stockholm: R & S Books, 1987.

Similar in style to **LINNEA'S WINDOWSILL GARDEN**, this charming book gives a child's-eye-view of several Paris museums, as well as Monet's garden in the village of Giverny. Kids (and adults) who love to travel will savor it!

SB 455 .B56 1987

Bjork, Christina; Anderson, Lena. **LINNEA'S WINDOWSILL GARDEN**. Stockholm: R & S Books, 1988.

Full of activities for older grade school kids who will read Linnea's directions and descriptions and share in her delight in growing things from garlic to Busy Lizzies (*Impatiens*).

SB 455 .B56 1988

Blumhagen, Laura. **CHILDREN AND NATURE: A LISTING OF ELISABETH C. MILLER LIBRARY RESOURCES.** Seattle: Miller Library, 2016-2019.

Even earlier versions of this document.

QK 14.5 .B58 2016, 2018, and 2019

Blumhagen, Laura. **YOUTH AND NATURE: A LISTING OF ELISABETH C. MILLER LIBRARY RESOURCES.** Seattle: Miller Library, 2020, 2022.

An annotated list of Youth and Parent/Teacher Resources available at the Miller Library. Early versions of this document.

QK 14.5 .B58 2020 and 2022

Bohan, Heidi. **NATIVE PLANTS AND PEOPLE EDUCATOR WORKSHOP: SEASONAL ROUNDS ACTIVITIES 1.** [Pacific Northwest]: S.l., s.n, 2002.

Students love hands-on projects like natural dye-making, traditional games, making shelters, cooking, and weaving. While students are enjoying these activities, they are also learning history, Pacific Northwest Native culture, and ecology. This booklet gives practical tips and detailed lesson plans for elementary school students, many adaptable for older or younger children.

QK 98.6 .B64 2002

Bohan, Heidi; Kolb, James A. **PACIFIC NORTHWEST NATIVE PLANT HABITAT GARDEN MANUAL: A HOW-TO WORKBOOK FOR SCHOOLS.** Seattle: Starflower Foundation, 2009.

This manual offers practical, specific guidance on creating a school garden with Pacific Northwest native plants, including planning, design, funding, planting, and maintenance.

SB 55 .B64 2009

Bonnet, Robert L.; Keen, G. Daniel. **BOTANY: 49 SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS**. Blue Ridge Summit, PA: TAB Books, 1989.

"There is no limit to the number of themes and the number of hypotheses about our universe." With this concept in mind, the authors clearly outline detailed science projects chosen to encourage creativity and wonder.

QH 55 .B66 1989

Bonning-Gould, Krissy. **THE OUTDOOR TODDLER ACTIVITY BOOK**. Emeryville, CA: Rockridge Press, 2019.

Outdoors is the perfect place for the messy, memorable, essential work of childhood: play. The author's background in education shines in the clearly delineated developmental benefits of each activity, as well as the achievable and fun activities themselves.

QH 51 .B66 2019

Boring, Mel; Burns, Diane L.; Dendy, Leslie. Illustrated by Linda Garrow. **FUN WITH NATURE: TAKE-ALONG GUIDE**. Minnetonka, MN: NorthWord Press, 1999.

This beautiful field guide covers bugs, snakes, salamanders, lizards, frogs, toads, turtles, rabbits, squirrels, chipmunks, and trees. It includes craft and activity ideas, too.

QH 55 .B67 1999

Borman, Susan, et al. **THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS: A FIELD GUIDE TO AQUATIC PLANTS.** Stevens Point, WI: Wisconsin Lakes Partnership, 1997.

Fantastic line drawings and clear, readable text make this full-size field guide invaluable for anyone interested in aquatic plants.

QH 541.5 .M3 B67 1997

Bowden, Marcia. Illustrated by Marilyn Rishel. **NATURE FOR THE VERY YOUNG: A HANDBOOK OF INDOOR & OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.** New York: Wiley, 1989.

Arranged seasonally, these wonderful activities for preschool children are presented with charm, creativity, and common sense.

QH 51 .B69 1989

Braus, Judy. **RANGER RICK'S NATURESCOPE**. Washington, DC: National Wildlife Federation, 1988-1990.

We have five workbooks from this series: **Birds, Birds, Birds; Rainforests; Wading into Wetlands; Pollution: Problems and Solutions** and **Trees are Terrific!** All of them are gems. Each workbook contains ecology lesson plans and worksheets teachers (or parents) can use with children ages 5 through 13.

QL 681 .B57 1989; QH 541.5 .F6 B72 1989; QH 541.5 .M3 B72 1997; SB 435 .T74 1988

Bremner, Elizabeth. **CHILDREN'S GARDENS: A FIELD GUIDE FOR TEACHERS, PARENTS, AND VOLUNTEERS**. Oakland, CA: University of California, 1990.

This manual, produced by the University of California Cooperative Extension, offers myriad helpful tips on working with kids in the garden.

SB 457 .B73 1990

Brennan, Georgeanne and Ethel. **THE CHILDREN'S KITCHEN GARDEN**. Berkeley, CA: Ten Speed Press, 1997.

"A book of gardening, cooking, and learning." With detailed instructions for growing and preparing favorite garden vegetables, this book lays the groundwork for a satisfying harvest.

SB 321 .B74 1997

Broda, Herbert W. **SCHOOLYARD-ENHANCED LEARNING: USING THE OUTDOORS AS AN INSTRUCTIONAL TOOL, K-8.** Portland, ME: Stenhouse Publishers, 2007.

Written by an Ohio professor of curriculum and instruction, this guide for outdoor learning in grades K-8 delves into why school gardens and outdoor learning areas are important, how to improve them, and what strategies work (and don't work) with students of different ages outdoors.

SB 55 .B76 2007

Broda, Herbert W. **MOVING THE CLASSROOM OUTDOORS: SCHOOLYARD-ENHANCED LEARNING IN ACTION.** Portland, ME: Stenhouse Publishers, 2011.

Includes chapters on getting ready to use outdoor classrooms, outdoor program development, and the use of technology in outdoor lessons.

SB 55 .B76 2011

Brooklyn Botanic Garden. **GARDENING WITH CHILDREN: A HANDBOOK**. Reprint of V.40, #3, Autumn 1984, #106 issue of *Plants & Gardens*. Brooklyn, NY: Brooklyn Botanic Garden.

This is a small pamphlet packed with information on the pioneer children's gardening program at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, and gardening for children with special needs, including children's own writings about their garden adventures. Also see the BBG's 2007 book on this topic by Monika Hannemann.

SB 457 .G37 1984

Brown, Cynthia Light. Illustrated by Eric Baker. **GEOLOGY OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST: INVESTIGATE HOW THE EARTH WAS FORMED: WITH 15 PROJECTS.** White River Junction, VT: Nomad Press, 2011.

Clear text and practical projects teach basic concepts in geology, including plate tectonics, erosion, and glaciation. Wide-ranging projects also touch on hydroelectric power, climate, and ecosystems.

QE 175 .B77 2011

Brown, Renata Fossen. **GARDENING LAB FOR KIDS.** Beverly, MA: Quarry Books, 2014.

A hands-on learning manual for kids and families, this book of "52 fun experiments" tells how to make a worm bin, a fairy garden, a rain gauge, and much more.

SB 457 .B77 2014

Bruchac, James; Bruchac, Joseph. **NATIVE AMERICAN GAMES AND STORIES**. Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 2000.

This introduction to North American Native games and sports includes instructions for playing as well as background information about the cultural importance of ball games, team sports, and games of chance, skill, and awareness.

QK 98.6 .B78 2000

Bryan, Felicity. **A GARDEN FOR CHILDREN**. London: Michael Joseph, 1986.

Ideas for designing a garden that children will enjoy, including ten professional designs, as well as the author's suggestions derived from popular children's classics (Mr. McGregor's garden, an Alice in Wonderland garden, etc.).

SB 457 .B79 1986

Bucklin-Sporer, Arden; Pringle, Rachel Kathleen. **HOW TO GROW A SCHOOL GARDEN: A COMPLETE GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND TEACHERS.** Portland: Timber Press, 2010.

The authors recognize a fact that is becoming clear in schools across the country: if we are to have school gardens in this era of tightening budgets, increased academic testing and expanding class sizes, parents must step up and offer their time and energy to establish and maintain them. This valuable book empowers parents and teachers to get something growing, and it also educates them about the planning, funding, building, maintenance, use, and enjoyment of such a garden.

SB 55 .B83 2010

Buhr, Erin. **LITTLE WALKS, BIG ADVENTURES: 50+ IDEAS FOR EXPLORING WITH TODDLERS.** Lewisville, NC: Gryphon House, 2018.

Developed for preschool teachers and other caregivers for toddlers, this guide provides outdoor ways to offer hands-on learning to children between 15 and 36 months of age.

QH 51 .B84 2018

Bullard, Liz; Gallagher, Hannah; Protonentis, Adana. **SAY "YES!" TO KIDS WITH DISABILITIES: STORIES AND STRATEGIES FOR INCLUDING *ALL* KIDS.** Seattle, WA: Seattle Children's PlayGarden, 2019.

Three staff members from the Seattle Children's PlayGarden collaborated on this 125-page guide, which features stories and tips from kids with disabilities and their parents about what parks and other public spaces can do to welcome and include all children in their programs.

SB 55 .B85 2019

Bullard, Liz; Gallagher, Hannah; Barnett-Dyer, Sophie; Rood, Mica. **INCLUSIVE PRESCHOOL THROUGH THE SEASONS.** Seattle, WA: Seattle Children's PlayGarden, 2020.

The Seattle Children's PlayGarden created this guide, which includes tips for making year-round muddy play safe and feasible. It provides sample lesson plans, songs, art projects and recipes that provide engaging experiences for everyone.

SB 55 .B85 2019

Burns, Diane L. Illustrated by John F. McGee. **YOUNG NATURALIST FIELD GUIDES: BERRIES, NUTS, AND SEEDS.** Milwaukee, WI: Gareth Stevens, 2000.

This detailed guide tells curious kids "what it looks like," "where to find it," and "what eats it." They will also find good advice, such as "Take drinking water with you," and, most important, "Take your time and have fun."

QH 55 .B86 2000

Burns, Loree Griffin. **THE HIVE DETECTIVES: CHRONICLE OF A HONEY BEE CATASTROPHE.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2010.

This illustrated treasure from the Scientists in the Field series follows researchers and beekeepers as they trace possible causes of colony collapse disorder.

QL 568 .B87 2010

Burns, Loree Griffin Photography by Ellen Harasimowicz. **HONEYBEE RESCUE: A BACKYARD DRAMA.** Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2022.

A Junior Library Guild Gold Standard selection, this photo-illustrated book details the work of a beekeeper who rescues bee colonies that have settled in buildings or other dangerous places.

QL 568 .B87 2022

Busch, Phyllis S. Illustrated by Anne Ophelia Dowden. **WILDFLOWERS AND THE STORIES BEHIND THEIR NAMES.** New York: Scribners, 1977.

Where did the dogwood get its name? Why is wild geranium also called cranesbill? This classic boasts meticulous illustrations and a multi-faceted approach that recognizes the complexity surrounding the common names of flowers.

QK 49 .B87 1977

Buzo, Patricia. **A FAMILY GUIDE TO TERRARIUMS FOR KIDS.** Beverley, MA: Cool Springs Press, 2020.

A family guide to building terrariums filled with bromeliads, air plants, bonsai, orchids, aquatic plants, and more.

SB 417 .B89 2020

Caduto, Michael J.; Bruchac, Joseph. **KEEPERS OF LIFE: DISCOVERING PLANTS THROUGH NATIVE AMERICAN STORIES AND EARTH ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 1994.

A unique curriculum of hands-on activities based on Native American stories that lead children to the discovery of plants and their environments.

QK 98.6 .C23 1994

Caduto, Michael J.; Bruchac, Joseph. **KEEPERS OF LIFE: TEACHER'S GUIDE.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 1995.

Intended as a companion to KEEPERS OF LIFE: DISCOVERING PLANTS THROUGH NATIVE AMERICAN STORIES AND EARTH ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN, this slim volume contains suggestions and resources for extending and enriching the curriculum with North American Native stories.

QK 98.6 .C23 1995

Caduto, Michael J.; Bruchac, Joseph. **KEEPERS OF THE NIGHT: NATIVE AMERICAN STORIES AND NOCTURNAL ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 1994.

This is similar in format to KEEPERS OF LIFE and NATIVE PLANT STORIES, two other books from the same authors. It will help teachers and parents create nighttime outdoor adventures that are safe, educational, and suffused with what Dr. Merlin D. Tuttle (the founder of Bat Conservation International) calls, in his foreword to this volume, "the mystery and fascination of an unknown world."

QL 49 .C23 1994

Caduto, Michael J.; Bruchac, Joseph. **NATIVE PLANT STORIES.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 1995.

Native North American tales illustrate the importance of plants in the traditions of people. A glossary of terms and an appendix of tribal nations are included with these tales excepted from KEEPERS OF LIFE.

QK 98.6 .C23 1995

Caduto, Michael J.; Bruchac, Joseph. **NATIVE AMERICAN GARDENING: STORIES, PROJECTS AND RECIPES FOR FAMILIES.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 1996.

Here are practical ideas for creating, maintaining, and enjoying a Three Sisters (corn, beans, and squash) garden with your family.

SB 321 .C23 1996

Campbell, Sarah C.; Campbell, Richard P. **GROWING PATTERNS: FIBONACCI NUMBERS IN NATURE.** Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mill Press, 2010.

This is a math book you will find in the botany section of our Parent/Teacher Collection. The bright photos and simple text encourage readers to look for patterns in nature.

QK 50 .C26 2010

Carlson, Laurie. **ECOART! EARTH-FRIENDLY ART & CRAFT EXPERIENCES FOR THREE-TO-NINE YEAR OLDS.** Charlotte, VT: Williamson Publishing, 1993.

Illustrated with clear diagrams big enough for classroom use, this paperback could be a real help for preschool and elementary teachers. The projects encourage kids to enjoy the process of making art with inexpensive materials. Some projects, such as making spore prints, are just as much science as art, yet the text is simple enough that many first graders could use this book outside the classroom.

SB 449.48 .C27 1993

Carlson, Laurie. **GREEN THUMBS: A KID'S ACTIVITY GUIDE TO INDOOR AND OUTDOOR GARDENING.** Chicago: Chicago Review Press, 1995.

Similar in format to ECOART! (above), this illustrated workbook teaches about beneficial insects, edible flowers, plant physiology concepts, composting, and much more through engaging hands-on activities.

SB 449.48 .C27 1995

Carolin, Roger, editor. **INCREDIBLE PLANTS.** San Francisco, CA: Fog City Press, 2004.

This large-format book looks at basic botany, plant contributions to different ecosystems, human use of plants, and how cultivation has changed plant genetics.

QH 48 .C27 2004

Carson, Rachel. Photographs by Nick Kelsh. **THE SENSE OF WONDER.** New York: HarperCollins Publishers, 1998.

This essay by Rachel Carson first appeared in *Woman's Home Companion* in 1956, under the title "Help Your Child to Wonder." Nick Kelsh's fresh photos illuminate how timeless her ideas are.
QH 51 .C27 1998

Casey, Dawn; Richardson, Anna; d'Ascoli, Helen. Illustrations by Allmut ffrench. **THE CHILDREN'S FOREST.** Stroud, UK: Hawthorn Press, 2019.

This unique curriculum includes Gaelic vocabulary and traditional practices from making nettle soup to setting up a sun dial.
QH 51 .C27 2019

Castaldo, Nancy F. **THE STORY OF SEEDS.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2016.

This informative book describes the work of Dr. Vandana Shiva, Jere Gettle of Baker Creek Seeds, Dr. Elaine Solowey, and others active in the struggle to maintain seed diversity worldwide.
S 494.5 .S68 C27 2016

Caughey, Melissa. **A KID'S GUIDE TO KEEPING CHICKENS.** North Adams, MA: Storey, 2015.

This surprisingly detailed guide provides expert advice on everything from selecting breeds of chickens to building a coop. The author describes and illustrates the daily chores required to raise chickens. There is even a section on what various chicken vocalizations mean!
S 494.5 .U72 C28 2015

Cerny, Julie A. **THE LITTLE GARDENER: HELPING CHILDREN CONNECT WITH THE NATURAL WORLD.** New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 2020.

Written by an experienced nature educator, this in-depth look at fostering outdoor learning by growing food is unique and thought-provoking.
SB 321 .C47 2020

Chalufour, Ingrid. **DISCOVERING NATURE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN.** St Paul, MN: Red Leaf Press, 2003.

Unique in its focus on early childhood (ages three through five), this book gives detailed, innovative lesson plans in a three-step format: Engage, Explore, and Reflect.
QH 51 .C42 2003

Chamberlain, Rebecca; Matteson, Liz; Rust, Alexandra. **THE WORK OF THE WINDS: WETLANDS RESOURCE GUIDE.** Seattle: Audubon Society in Cooperation with King County Surface Water Management, 1992.

This 58-page local publication offers activities based on storytelling, native arts and crafts, animal tracking, recipes, and more.
QH 541.5 .M3 C42 1992

Charner, Kathy; Rein, Mary; Roberts, Brittany. **LET'S TAKE IT OUTSIDE! TEACHER-CREATED ACTIVITIES FOR OUTDOOR LEARNING.** Lewisville, NC: Gryphon, 2012.

Each activity in this well-organized book has an age rating (three-plus, four-plus, or five-plus) and most have suggested books to integrate outdoor time with reading.
QH 51 .C42 2012

Cherry, Lynne; Braasch, Gary. **HOW WE KNOW WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT OUR CHANGING CLIMATE: SCIENTISTS AND KIDS EXPLORE GLOBAL WARMING.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 2008.

Even when you have just read David Sobel's foreword to this fact- and photo-filled book, you'll probably be surprised. Rather than being about "curriculum standards, content, and tragedy," "It's about helping to develop a sense that we—each one individually—can make a difference." As students read further, they will learn about what kids and scientists have observed and how to help. Also see the teacher's guide by Carol Malnor.

QC 981.8 .C5 C44 2008

Chesanow, Jeanné. **HONEYSUCKLE SIPPING: THE PLANT LORE OF CHILDHOOD.** Camden, ME: Down East Books, 1987.

Based on the author's reminiscences as well as research, interviews, and letters from plant-lovers, this charming paperback delves into those things about garden and wildland plants which "children learn on their own."

QH 51 .C43 1987

Christopher, Kaci Rae. **THE SCHOOL GARDEN CURRICULUM.** Gabriola Island, British Columbia: New Society, 2019.

Rain garden design, predatory insect studies, harvesting edible flowers, and other unique lesson plan themes will keep students of all ages engaged. The author lives and works in Oregon.

SB 55 .C45 2019

Christopher, Todd. **THE GREEN HOUR: A DAILY DOSE OF NATURE FOR HAPPIER, HEALTHIER, SMARTER KIDS.** Boston, MA: Trumpeter Books, 2010.

How can we set up a backyard scavenger hunt? What do ticks look like and how can I avoid them? How does a water strider stay above the pond's surface? This useful guide to exploring nature with kids thoughtfully answers these questions and many others.

QH 51 .C47 2010

Citro, Asia. **A LITTLE BIT OF DIRT: 55+ SCIENCE AND ART ACTIVITIES TO RECONNECT CHILDREN WITH NATURE**. Woodinville, WA: Innovation Press, 2015.

Local author Asia Citro taught science in classrooms and an outdoor education program. She brings a wealth of fun, field-tested projects that teach inquiry-based science.

QH 51 .C57 2015

Clarkson, Gisela. **THE OBSERVOLOGIST: A HANDBOOK FOR MOUNTING VERY SMALL SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITIONS.** Minneapolis, MN: Gecko Press, 2024.

Learn the parts of a snail, how to tell centipedes from millipedes, how to recognize different types of bee and wasp nests, and much more in this beautiful work of graphic nonfiction.

QH 55 .C52 2024

Cohen, Rebecca P. **15 MINUTES OUTSIDE: 365 WAYS TO GET OUT OF THE HOUSE AND CONNECT WITH YOUR KIDS.** Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks, 2011.

This paperback offers fun outdoor activities for every day of the year, from creating your own backyard Narnia to starting a compost pile.

QH 51 .C64 2011

Cohen, Whitney; Fisher, John. **THE BOOK OF GARDENING PROJECTS FOR KIDS: 101 WAYS TO GET KIDS OUTSIDE, DIRTY, AND HAVING FUN**. Portland, OR: Timber Press, 2012.

Written by the garden education directors at LifeLab, a California nonprofit providing innovative garden-based education since 1979, this guide is aimed at parents. It contains a wealth of valuable insights and practical ideas for teaching kids about plants, animals, soil science, cooking, and much more, beginning in the garden.

SB 457 .C64 2012

Constable, Karen. **THE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM IN PRACTICE, AGES 3-7**. Abingdon, UK: Routledge, 2019.

Karen Constable is an early childhood teacher based in the UK who brings her years of experience in outdoor education to this month-by-month outline of forest school activity plans. The guide includes necessary resource lists, photographs, and descriptions of how children learned, shared their own creativity, and gained confidence from participating in outdoor play.

QH 51 .C66 2019

Cook, Fiona. Illustrated by Jessica Roux. **THE WHEEL OF THE YEAR: AN ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO NATURE'S RHYTHMS.** Kansas City, MO: Andrews McMeel, 2023.

"You never know what you might learn, looking at something from a different perspective. It also happens to be one of many things kids tend to do better than grown-ups!" Taken from the Summer Solstice section of the book, this passage exemplifies the fresh approach and ancient wisdom that the authors have braided together with nature immersion.

SB 449.48 .C66 2023

Cornell, Joseph. **SHARING NATURE: NATURE AWARENESS FOR ALL AGES.** Nevada City, CA: Crystal Clarity Publications, 2015.

New illustrations bring a visual element to this updated classic, featuring playful outdoor activities which foster love for and knowledge about nature.

QH 51 .C67 2015

Cornell, Joseph. **SHARING NATURE WITH CHILDREN: THE CLASSIC PARENTS' AND TEACHERS' NATURE AWARENESS GUIDEBOOK.** Nevada City, CA: DAWN Publications, 1998.

This updated edition of a classic presents nature activities that are fun, hands-on, and satisfy children's natural curiosity.

QH 51 .C67 1998

Cornell, Joseph. **SHARING NATURE WITH CHILDREN II: A SEQUEL TO THE CLASSIC PARENTS' AND TEACHERS' NATURE AWARENESS GUIDEBOOK.** Nevada City, CA: DAWN Publications, 1989.

According to the author, the word "education" is derived from the Greek for "to draw out." His teaching philosophy embraces students at all levels of nature experience to uncover their love for the great outdoors.

QH 51 .C67 1989

Cornell, Joseph. **SHARING THE JOY OF NATURE: NATURE ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES**. Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 1989.

Getting children and grownups to participate in nature activities actively and joyously is Cornell's goal and gift, and he clearly explains his philosophy and techniques in his third book.

QH 51 .C672 1989

Cornell, Joseph. **SHARING NATURE WITH CHILDREN**. Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 1979.

"Look and experience first, talk later." This guide for parents and teachers provides forty-two nature activities, with a handy text box for each one that tells, at a glance, what the game is like—how many players, the ages, any supplies needed, the concepts taught, and the general mood of the game. See also the 1989 sequel and updated editions nearby.

QH 51 .C67 1979

Cornell, Kari. Photographs by Jennifer S. Larson. **DIG IN! 12 EASY GARDENING PROJECTS USING KITCHEN SCRAPS.** Minneapolis: Lerner, 2018.

This activity book is attractive and well-illustrated, with tantalizing projects like growing ginger root and making lemongrass ice cream.

SB 324 .C67 2018

Council for Environmental Education. **FLYING WILD: AN EDUCATOR'S GUIDE TO CELEBRATING BIRDS.** Houston, TX: Council for Environmental Education, 2004.

This is a curriculum guide for middle school teachers seeking to incorporate migratory bird studies in their classrooms. It includes plans for a school bird festival, student-led activities, games, crafts, physics lessons, and many other interdisciplinary projects.

QL 681 .C68 2004

Cox, Martyn. **WILDLIFE GARDENING: HOW TO BRING BIRDS AND BUGS TO YOUR BACKYARD.** New York: DK, 2009.

Lavishly illustrated and full of practical projects, this guide to enhancing wildlife habitat in your own backyard is a must-read.

SB 454.3 .W5 C69 2009

Cramer, Jennie and Einerson, Jody. **FROM SALMONBERRY TO SAGEBRUSH: EXPLORING OREGON'S NATIVE PLANTS, AN ECOREGIONAL CURRICULUM FOR GRADES 9-12.** Corvallis, OR: Institute for Applied Ecology, 2011.

This excellent regional resource boasts over three hundred pages of instructive material on plants found throughout Oregon. Most of them are also present in Washington and British Columbia.

QK 182 .C7 2011

Cramer, Jennie; Einerson, Jody; others. **PROJECT BOTANY: EXPLORING NATIVE PLANTS OF THE UNITED STATES.** Corvallis, OR: Institute for Applied Ecology, 2024.

These tested student and teacher materials for learning about the ecoregions of North America include ethnobotany, seed starting, pollination concepts, field trips plans, and more.

QK 112 .C7 2024

Criswell, Susie Gwen. **NATURE THROUGH SCIENCE AND ART**. Blue Summit, PA: TAB Books, 1994.

How does a seed become a plant? What are weeds? Children in grades 3-6 will enjoy these projects that involve them in learning about the natural world through drawing, writing, and even creating a spider web.

QH 55 .C74 1994

Cross, Aerial. **NATURE SPARKS: CONNECTING CHILDREN'S LEARNING TO THE NATURAL WORLD.** St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2012.

The author's experience as an educator in both general and special education classrooms informs her selection of practical, innovative, and proven activities. She adds her voice to the growing chorus of teachers who believe nature-based activities improve students' progress in all academic areas and engage them more fully in learning.

QH 51 .C76 2012

Crowell, Robert L. **THE LORE AND LEGENDS OF FLOWERS.** New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1982.

Anne Ophelia Dowden's illustrations shine in this book about the history of common garden flowers.

QK 49 .C76 1982

Cuerda, Josep. **ESSENTIAL ATLAS OF BOTANY.** Hauppage, NY: Barron's, 2004.

Originally published in Spanish, this colorful guide to the facts of plant life will be fascinating for older children, teachers, and anyone who learns visually.

QK 51 .C84 2004

Cuppens, Valerie. **LEARNING WITH NATURE IDEA BOOK: CREATING NURTURING OUTDOOR SPACES FOR CHILDREN.** Lincoln, NE: National Arbor Day Foundation, 2007.

Developed for children 6 months through 10 years of age, these plans and guidelines include hands-on suggestions for worm bins, pathways, and other children's garden basics. The book persuasively promotes outdoor classrooms by explaining how nature exploration fosters child development.

SB 55 .C87 2007

Danks, Fiona and Jo Schofield. **THE WILD YEAR BOOK.** London: Frances Lincoln, 2018.

Written in a style that speaks directly to young readers, this four-seasons guide will help anyone who wants to guide people of any age outdoors. Project ideas include lantern building, boggart making, and a World Book Day celebration.

QH 55 D26 2018

Danks, Sharon Gamson. **ASPHALT TO ECOSYSTEMS: DESIGN IDEAS FOR SCHOOLYARD TRANSFORMATION**. Oakland, CA: New Village Press, 2010.

Case studies from New Zealand to Norway illustrate the ways school grounds can improve with innovative designs and adequate planning for future growth and maintenance.

SB 55 .D26 2010

Dannemaier, Molly. **A CHILD'S GARDEN: ENCHANTING OUTDOOR SPACES FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS**. New York: Simon & Schuster, 1998.

An idea book for grown-ups who want to create a garden that welcomes and excites kids, complete with photos of garden structures, play equipment, and plants.

SB 457 .D25 1998

Dashefsky, H. Steven. **ENTOMOLOGY: HIGH-SCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR EXPERIMENTS.** New York: TAB Books, 1993.

Detailed plans help science students (and science teachers) set up meaningful projects observing bees, flies, aquatic insects, and more.

QL 468.5 .D26 1993

Dauncey, Elizabeth A. **POISONOUS PLANTS: A GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND CHILDCARE PROVIDERS.** Richmond, Surrey, UK: Kew Publishing, 2010.

Shelved in the general collection with our other books about hazardous plants, this useful photographic guide will help anyone planning a garden for children.

Tall Shelves QK 100 .G7 D28 2010

Davis, Tina. **SOW AND GROW**. New York: Stewart, Tabori & Chang, 2008.

Everything old is new again in this children's guide to indoor gardening crafts and projects and basic plant biology.

SB 449.48 .D28 2008

Dean, Jana, editor. Illustrated by Nikki McClure. **WETLAND TALES.** Olympia, WA: Department of Ecology, 1992.

Nikki McClure's illustrations accent this timeless collection of folklore celebrating wetland habitats.

QH 541.5 .M3 D42 1992

Debbink, Andrea. Illustrated by Asia Orlando. **THE WILD WORLD HANDBOOK: HOW ADVENTURERS, ARTISTS, SCIENTISTS—AND YOU—CAN PROTECT EARTH'S HABITATS.** Philadelphia, PA: Quirk Books, 2021.

Aimed at ages 8-12 but engaging for adults as well, this handbook to eight different ecosystems offers brief biographies of people who have helped or are helping to preserve them, along with success stories, field trip suggestions, projects, and background information.

QH 541.2 .D43 2021

Dennee, JoAnne. **IN THE THREE SISTERS GARDEN: NATIVE AMERICAN STORIES AND SEASONAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE CURIOUS CHILD.** Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt, 1996.

Over 300 pages of stories, songs, recipes, and lessons on composting, gardening, and math and science, too. The book is for parents and teachers of children in kindergarten through sixth grade.

SB 321 .D46 1996

Diehn, Gwen; Krautwurst, Terry. **NATURE CRAFTS FOR KIDS**. New York: Sterling Publishing, 1992.

The author presents project by season for people who learn by doing as well as by reading. The activities, with clear photos and diagrams, range from basic to complex and are suitable for all ages.

SB 449.48 .D54 1992

DISCOVERY PARK'S POND FIELD TRIP GUIDE. Seattle: Discovery Park, 1995.

Here you will find vocabulary, crossword puzzles, aquatic insect identification information, and games suitable for wetland field trips.

QH 541.5 .M3 D57 1995

Dove, Adam. WOODLAND ADVENTURE HANDBOOK. London: Frances Lincoln, 2015.

This small but powerful book is full of ideas and scripts to use as a framework for imaginative outdoor education with children ages two to eight, whether in the forest school setting or as part of a family or homeschool group.

QH 51. D68 2015

Dowden, Anne Ophelia. THE BLOSSOM ON THE BOUGH: A BOOK OF TREES. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1975.

Not just for kids, but delightful for adults too, the botanical illustrations in this book are phenomenal. Even young children will enjoy recognizing trees they know.

QK 475.8 .D69 1975

Dowden, Anne Ophelia. THE CLOVER AND THE BEE: A BOOK OF POLLINATION. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1990.

Explains the process of pollination, describing the reproductive parts of a flower and the role that insects, birds, mammals, wind, and water play in the process.

QK 49 .D69 1990

Dowden, Anne Ophelia. FROM FLOWER TO FRUIT. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1984.

Gorgeous botanical illustrations and clear text explain how seeds form.

QK 49 .D69 1984

Dowden, Anne Ophelia. LOOK AT A FLOWER. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1963.

Plant anatomy presented in detail with clarity, including information to help kids distinguish plant families.

QK 50 .D69 1963

Dowden, Anne Ophelia; Borland, Hal. THE PLANTS OF CHRISTMAS. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1987.

Lavish illustrations and entertaining lore on well-known yuletide plants.

QK 83 .D79 1987

Dowden, Anne Ophelia. POISONS IN OUR PATH: PLANTS THAT HARM AND HEAL. New York: HarperCollins, 1994.

Explore the fascinating world of toxic plants in this meticulously illustrated book. Tall Shelves

QK 99 .A1 D69 1994

Dowden, Anne Ophelia. STATE FLOWERS. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1978.

Anne Ophelia Dowden's botanical illustrations provide an enrichment opportunity for any child whose course of study includes the fifty states.

QK 49 .D69 1978

Dowden, Anne Ophelia. **WILD GREEN THINGS IN THE CITY**. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1972.

Urban ecology from a botanical artist's perspective, giving special emphasis to the life cycle of common city weeds.

SB 611 .D69 1972

Dowding, Charles. Illustrated by Kristyna Litten. **NO-DIG CHILDREN'S GARDENING BOOK: EASY AND FUN FAMILY GARDENING.**

Charles Dowding brings his game-changing style of gardening to a young audience in this book filled with ideas for family and school gardens.

SB 321 .D69 2023

Downer, Ann. **WILD ANIMAL NEIGHBORS.** Minneapolis, MN: Twenty-First Century Books, 2014.

City-dwelling animals include coyotes, alligators, bats, and several other animals. Intermediate readers can learn more about how wildlife lives side by side with people all over the world.

QH 541.15 .H86 D69 2014

Drexler, Bonnie. **BUGOLOGY.** Framingham, MA: New England Wild Flower Society, 2004.

Certainly not just for parents and teachers, this "guide to bug discoveries through the seasons" is from the New England Wild Flower Society, and encourages kids to observe the natural world, record their findings, and develop their own questions for further research.

QL 467.2 .D73 2004

Driscoll, Michael. **A CHILD'S INTRODUCTION TO THE ENVIRONMENT.** New York: Black Dog/Leventhal, 2008.

This illustrated introduction to ecology covers a broad range of topics, including oceans, nature in the city, waste management, desert and rain forest conservation, air pollution, climate change, and energy conservation.

QH 541.2 .D75 2008

Dudley, Bettina. **FORESTS: A FACT-FILLED COLORING BOOK**. Philadelphia, PA: Running Press, 1989.

Not just a coloring book, but a storehouse of information on everything from rhododendrons to kelp.

QH 541.5 .F6 D83 1989

Dunbar-Ortiz, Roxanne. **AN INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.** Boston, MA: Beacon Press, 2019.

Adapted for young readers by Jean Mendoza and Debbie Reese, two curriculum experts from Indiana, this history includes accounts of Standing Rock, the 1966 Muckleshoot fishing rights struggle, the Trail of Tears, and other important moments in US history.

QH 541.15 .H86 D86 2019

Dunlap, Julie; Kellert, Stephen R., editors. **COMPANIONS IN WONDER: CHILDREN AND ADULTS EXPLORING NATURE TOGETHER.** Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2012.

This is a collection of essays from a diverse group of writers, including philosopher Kathleen Dean Moore, professor Lauret Savoy, historian Margo Tamez, journalist Richard Louv, and storytelling naturalists Joseph Bruchac III and James Bruchac. Drawing on memories from their own childhoods as well as lessons learned in their work as adults, each writer brings distinct perspectives on the intersection between nature and culture.

QH 541.15 .H86 D86 2012

Dunlap, Julie. Illustrated by Megan Elizabeth Baratta. **I BEGIN WITH SPRING: THE LIFE AND SEASONS OF HENRY DAVID THOREAU.** Thomaston, ME: Tilbury House, 2022.

Henry David Thoreau's life and its historical context shine in this illustrated biography.

SB 455.5 .T46 D86 2020

Durie, Jamie *et al.* **OUTDOOR KIDS**. Crows Nest, New South Wales, Australia: Jamie Durie Publishing, 2005.

Jamie Durie is known for his Australian television series Backyard Blitz. In this photo-illustrated book, he walks parents through projects and ideas for engaging kids in garden activities, from propagating lavender to starting a worm farm.

SB 457 .D87 2005

Eisenberg, Jana. **LEWIS AND CLARK: PATH TO THE PACIFIC.** New York: Scholastic, 2005.

This book presents the basics of Lewis and Clark's journey at an upper elementary school reading level, with copious illustrations and fascinating facts.

QK 31 .L49 E45 2005

Eldridge, M.E. **IN MY GARDEN.** London: Medici Society, 1983.

Sweetly illustrated, this picture book is a walk through the year watching wildlife in an English garden.

QL 49 .E53 1983

Elffers, Joost. **PLAY WITH YOUR FOOD.** New York: Stewart, Tabori & Chang, 1997.

A companion volume to Joost Elffers and Saxton Freymann's produce-animal picture books (including DOG FOOD and HOW ARE YOU PEELING?), this how-to book details the process of seeing and creating characters from peppers, pears, pumpkins and more.

SB 449.48 .E43 1997

Elliott, Lang. **A GUIDE TO NIGHT SOUNDS.** Mechanicsburg, PA: Stackpole Books, 2004.

This book and compact disc present the nighttime sounds of sixty mammals, birds, amphibians and insects, including several types of owls, great blue herons, coyotes, Pacific treefrogs, and katydids.

QL 49 .E55 2004

Elpel, Thomas J. Illustrated by Gloria Brown. **SHANLEYA'S QUEST: A BOTANY ADVENTURE FOR KIDS AGES 9 TO 99.** Pony, MT: HOPS Press, 2005.

This adventure provides a new, different, and fun way to learn botany and prevent "plant blindness." Follow Shanleya as she learns the secrets of plant identification so she can know which plants are safe for people to eat. Using patterns she learns from her grandparents, she paddles her canoe to find plants from several families: the mints, parsleys, roses, mustards, peas, asters, lilies, and grasses.

QK 50 .E57 2005

Erdoes, Richard; Ortiz, Alfonso, editors. **AMERICAN INDIAN MYTHS AND LEGENDS.** New York: Pantheon Books, 1984.

This classic is a good reference book of First Peoples legends from all over North America, and it includes the tribal affiliation and individual teller's name for each story.

QK 98.6 .E73 1984

Everett, Elizabeth. Illustrated by Evelline Andrya. **THIS IS THE SUN / ESTE ES EL SOL.** Washington, DC: Science, Naturally!, 2023.

This reversible book tells how the sun brings light and life to the world. Read it in Spanish, and then flip the book to read it in English.

QK 882 .E84 2023

Ezeilo, Angelou, with Nick Chiles. **ENGAGE, CONNECT, PROTECT: EMPOWERING DIVERSE YOUTH AS ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERS.** Gabriola Island, BC: New Society, 2020.

Part of our Lending Collection in the tall shelves, this book is the result of collaboration between the founder of the Greening Youth Foundation and an award-winning journalist. It includes Angelou Ezeilo's reflections on race and environmental issues as well as lists of environmental organizations led by people of color and colleges and universities with diverse students.

Tall Shelves QH 541.15 .H86 E94 2020

Farndon, John. **1000 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT PLANTS.** Essex, UK: Miles Kelly, 2000.

Grouped by topic, these facts on everything from citrus fruit to wetlands will appeal to the child who wants to know everything about a subject.

QK 50 .F27 2000

Farrell, Holly. **RHS PLANTS FROM PIPS: POTS OF PLANTS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY TO ENJOY.** London: Mitchell Beazley, 2015.

Working in the kitchen, have you ever wondered whether you could grow peppers from pepper seeds? How about a mango tree from a mango pit? This book explains how to germinate a wide range of commonly seen seeds that you would usually toss in the bin, and what each plant would need to grow on to maturity.

SB 117 .F27 2015

Ferguson, Lynne, project manager. **FORESTS OF WASHINGTON: FOREST ECOSYSTEMS AND PEOPLE ACTIVITY GUIDE, GRADES 4-9** and **FORESTS OF WASHINGTON: FOREST HISTORY ACTIVITY GUIDE, GRADES 6-9.** Olympia, WA: Washington Forest Protection Association, 1993 and 1994.

The spiral-bound guide for grades 6-9 sums up the basic ideas which appear with more lesson plans, plant identification pictures, and games in the ring-bound guide for grades 4-9.

QH 541.5 .F6 F47 1993, 1994

Finkbeiner, Felix. **TREE BY TREE: NOW WE CHILDREN SAVE THE WORLD.** Munich: Oekom, 2012.

Felix Finkbeiner and his friends started the Plant-for-the-Planet Children and Youth Initiative with the goal of planting trees and promoting climate justice around the world.

QC 981.8 .C5 2012

Fishbaugh, Angela Schmidt. **CELEBRATE NATURE! ACTIVITIES FOR EVERY SEASON: AGES 3 To 8.** St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2011.

Angela Schmidt Fishbaugh's call to "Put away gadgets, turn off screens, and discover all the natural world has to offer" comes with seven well-developed learning themes for each season of the year, adapted for children from three to eight years old.

QH 55 .F57 2011

Fleischman, Paul. **SEEDFOLKS.** New York: Harpercollins, 1997.

Each chapter is written in the voice of one of the gardeners at a Cleveland garden as it grows from the first bean seed planted in a forgotten corner of a vacant lot into a powerful place for growth and connection in the lives of a diverse community.

SB 455 .F57 1997

Frederick-Frost, Alexis. **MAKER COMICS: GROW A GARDEN!** New York: First Second, 2020.

Make your own cold frame, compost bin, container garden and more along with the plucky crew of gnomes and creatures in this comic guide to gardening.

SB 321 .F74 2020

Gabriel, Alisha; Heavenrich, Sue. **FUNKY FUNGI: 30 ACTIVITIES FOR EXPLORING MOLDS, MUSHROOMS, LICHENS AND MORE.** Chicago, IL: Chicago Review Press, 2022.

Facts and activities about mushrooms offered here include lessons on mycorrhizae, cooking with huitlacoche, and writing haiku poetry.

SB 353 .G23 2022

Gadzekpo, Darryl; Phillips, Ella. Illustrated by Alan Berry Rhys. **FROM PLANT TO PLATE.** New York: DK, 2024.

This colorful book is full of garden tips and projects. It also includes recipes for squash muffins, berry cobbler, charred broccolini salad, and other healthy delights.

SB 457 .G23 2024

Gardner, Robert. **SCIENCE PROJECTS ABOUT PLANTS.** Springfield, NJ: Enslow, 1999.

Aimed at secondary students, this guide gives specific and detailed project ideas, using accurate scientific terminology in an accessible manner.

QH 55 .G27 1999

Garlick, Hattie. **BORN TO BE WILD: HUNDREDS OF FREE NATURE ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES.** London: Bloomsbury, 2016.

Organized by theme within a larger seasonal framework, this book will help families learn and play outdoors. It features fun, flexible projects that appeal to all ages, such as making an acorn man, a pebble labyrinth, or a sundial.

QH 51 .G27 2016

Garrett, Linda; Thomas, Hannah. **SMALL WONDERS: NATURE EDUCATION FOR YOUNG CHILDREN.** Woodstock, VT: Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 2005.

Packed with lesson plans and activity ideas to engage children ages three to five in learning about nature, this hefty manual (315 pages!) will be invaluable to preschool teachers, whether their programs are indoor or outdoor.

QH 51 .G27 2005

Gaylie, Veronica. **ROOTS AND RESEARCH IN URBAN SCHOOL GARDENS.** New York: Peter Lang, 2011.

Based on research into the historical use of gardens in urban schools as well as current programs in Washington, Oregon, California, and British Columbia. Gaylie explores the scope of the various programs, along with the attitudes students and teachers have toward their gardens.

SB 55 .G29 2011

Gifford, Amy, editor. **STEPS TO A BOUNTIFUL KIDS' GARDEN**. South Burlington, VT: National Gardening Association, 2001.

This looseleaf booklet covers the funding, building, and maintenance of kids' gardens, especially school gardens. One chapter details the ways gardens can inspire kids to work in multiple subject areas, from improving their writing skills by keeping a garden journal to using math to plan space usage and supply needs.

SB 55 .G54 2001

Glock, Jenna; Wertz, Susan; Meyer, Maggie. **DISCOVERING THE NATURALIST INTELLIGENCE: SCIENCE IN THE SCHOOL YARD.** Chicago: Zephyr Press, 1999.

Written by three teachers, this curriculum guide is keyed to national science standards and includes classroom and fieldwork activities. It is also multi-disciplinary, well-researched, and fun!

QH 51 .G27 1999

Goodman, Susan E. Photographs by Michael J. Doolittle. **SEEDS, STEMS, & STAMENS: THE WAYS PLANTS FIT INTO THEIR WORLD.** Minneapolis: Millbrook Press, 2001.

Clear and detailed, this book introduces plant adaptations and explains how those adaptations to the environment help the plant meet its needs for survival. It encourages kids to look at a particular plant and think about how its form helps it to live and reproduce where it does.

QH 541 .G66 2001

Gordon, Elizabeth. Illustrated by M.T. Ross. **FLOWER CHILDREN: THE LITTLE COUSINS OF THE FIELD AND GARDEN.** Joliet, IL: P.F. Voland & Company, 1910.

Presented in order of bloom, fairy-sized characters dressed as flowers romp through the pages of this book of poems.

Rare Book Room SB 455 .G67 1910

Grandin, Temple. With Betsy Lerner. **THE OUTDOOR SCIENTIST: THE WONDER OF OBSERVING THE NATURAL WORLD.** New York: Philomel Books, 2021.

Using Carl Sagan, Jane Goodall, Andy Goldsworthy, Sylvia Earle, and other well-known nature lovers as examples, Temple Grandin guides young people on limitless adventures featuring forests, beaches, the night sky, and animal encounters.

QH 48 .G72 2021

Grant, Amanda. **GROW IT, COOK IT WITH KIDS**. New York: Ryland Peters and Small, 2010.

The text in this easy-to-follow gardening and cooking guide speaks to kids who have a bit of adult help. Recipes include pea puree bruschetta, raspberry smoothie pops, and lavender shortbread cookies. Yum!

SB 321 .G72 2010

Grant, Tim; Littlejohn, Gail; editors. **TEACHING GREEN: THE ELEMENTARY YEARS.** Gabriola Island, BC: New Society Publishers, 2005.

Compiled from the best ideas of 10 years of *Green Teacher* magazine, these lesson plans cover nature journals, classroom animals, food webs, water quality, food origins, forest studies, and much more.

QH 541.2 .G72 2005

Grant, Tim; Littlejohn, Gail; editors. **TEACHING GREEN: THE MIDDLE YEARS.** Gabriola Island, BC: New Society Publishers, 2005.

Middle school teachers can use these lesson plans in history, literature, science, art, and math, (sometimes more than one subject at once) while responding to students' natural interest in ecological issues.

QH 541.2 .G72 2004

Grant, Tim; Littlejohn, Gail; editors. **TEACHING GREEN: THE HIGH SCHOOL YEARS.** Gabriola Island, BC: New Society Publishers, 2009.

High school students will gain insight into environmental issues with these lessons, ranging from hands-on biodiesel production to studying lichens to monitor air pollution.

QH 541.2 .G72 2009

Green, Jason; Hertog, Rachel; Jackson, Allissa; Maricich, Khaela, Nelson, Sarah; Schmidt, Kaye. **THE ADVENTURES OF ELMER AND CRABBY.** Seattle: YMCA Earth Service Corps, Seattle City Light, Treemendous Seattle, Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation, USDA Forest Service, Washington State Department of Natural Resources, undated.

This guide to urban trees may be in coloring book format, but it contains some very practical information that adults need to remember too, such as how to plant a tree and plan for watering in the summer months.

SB 435 .G74 1980z

GreenThumb, City of New York Parks and Recreation. **GROWING SCHOOL AND YOUTH GARDENS IN NEW YORK CITY: A GUIDE TO RESOURCES: 2009.** New York: Department of Parks and Recreation, 2009.

Also available online, this guide to children's gardens offers curriculum ideas, practical advice on funding and grant writing, and links to successful projects nationwide.

SB 55 .G74 2009

Gross, Phyllis; Railton, Esther P. **TEACHING SCIENCE IN AN OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENT: HANDBOOK FOR STUDENTS, PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND CAMP LEADERS.** Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 1972.

A guide to setting up experiments and conducting educational hikes, this book provides a clear mental map and detailed lesson plans for teachers so that the students can be creative and inquisitive learners outdoors.

QH 51 .G76 1972

Guinness, Bunny. **CREATING A FAMILY GARDEN: MAGICAL OUTDOOR SPACES FOR ALL AGES**. New York: Abbeville Press, 1996.

Packed with detailed information for parents who want a kid-friendly garden, this book has everything from tree house plans to tough plants for play areas.

SB 457 .G84 1996

Guinness, Bunny. **FAMILY GARDENS: HOW TO CREATE MAGICAL OUTDOOR SPACES FOR ALL AGES**. Newton Abbot, Devon, UK: David & Charles, 2008.

A streamlined reissue of CREATING A FAMILY GARDEN, this new edition illustrates the timeless appeal of a well-designed play area.

SB 457 .G84 2008

Guy, Cylita. Illustrated by Cornelia Li. **CHASING BATS AND TRACKING RATS: URBAN ECOLOGY, COMMUNITY SCIENCE, AND HOW WE SHARE OUR CITIES.** Toronto, ON: Annick Press, 2021.

Community science projects explored in this book include work with coyotes in the Tacoma area, birds in Chicago, and bees in Toronto.

QH 541.5 .C6 G89 2021

Guy, Linda A.; Cromwell, Cathy; Bradley, Lucy K. **SUCCESS WITH SCHOOL GARDENS: HOW TO CREATE A LEARNING OASIS IN THE DESERT.** Phoenix, AZ: Arizona Master Gardener Press, 1996.

A handy nuts-and-bolts guide to establishing and maintaining school gardens, tailored for Arizona but also useful in Western Washington because it covers everything from weeding to fund-raising.

SB 55 .G89 1996

Haas, Ellen; Young, Jon; McGown, Evan. **COYOTE'S GUIDE TO CONNECTING WITH NATURE FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES AND THEIR MENTORS.** Shelton, WA: OWLink Media, 2008.

Drawn from the authors' experiences at Wilderness Awareness School in Duvall, Washington, this book delves deeper into the Coyote method of outdoor mentoring.

QH 51 .H22 2008

Haas, Ellen; Bakewell, Lexie. **COYOTE'S POCKET GUIDE TO CONNECTING KIDS WITH NATURE.** Portland, OR: ZieBee Media, 2018.

Written for families, teachers, and outdoor guides who want to get outdoors with people of all ages, this book provides a framework for mentoring that teaches nature appreciation through play, humor, and firsthand experience.

QH 51 .H22 2018

Haas, Ellen; Bakewell, Lexie. **CURIOUS COYOTE.** Portland, OR: ZieBee Media, 2020.

A companion volume to Coyote's Pocket Guide to Connecting Kids with Nature, this book is designed to bring outdoors to spur nature connection through prompts for journaling, gratitude, storytelling, sensory and survival challenges, and more.

QH 51 .H22 2020

Hamilton, David. Photography by Jason Ingram. **FAMILY FORAGING: A FUN GUIDE TO GATHERING AND EATING WILD PLANTS.** Boulder, Roost, 2019.

Wondering how to tap a birch tree? How to make elderflower shortbread or hazelnut chocolate spread? The recipes in this family foraging guide cover a range of commonly found edible wild plants.

QK 98.5 .U6 H36 2018

Hanneman, Monika, et al. **GARDENING WITH CHILDREN.** Brooklyn, NY: Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 2007.

Despite the title, this lavishly illustrated activity book is for kids, except for a few pages for parents and caregivers at the end.

SB 457 .H26 2007

Hardesty, Constance. Illustrated by Jeff McClung. **GROW YOUR OWN PIZZA.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum Publishing, 2000.

This handy book will stimulate a child's growing interest in gardening using a food close to the hearts of many: pizza! Gardening directions and recipes are clear, appetizing, and put the child in charge of the process, with an adult acting as an assistant wherever needed for safety. Container gardening and non-pizza-related ideas abound as well.

SB 457 .H27 2000

Harriman, Hilary. **THE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM: A PLACE TO LEARN.** Swindon, UK: Corner to Learn, 2006.

"If it can be done indoors, it can probably be done bigger, better and more meaningfully outdoors!" enthuses one of the teachers whose work contributed to this outdoor preschool manual.

QH 51 .H27 2006

Haswani, Radhika, editor. **LET'S GET GARDENING: 30 EASY GARDENING PROJECTS FOR CHILDREN.** New York: DK, 2020.

Full-page spreads offer illustrated guidance for growing a range of edible plants, gardening for wildlife, and garden recycling projects.

SB 457 .H37 2020

Heinecke, Liz Lee. **ECOLOGY FOR KIDS: SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS AND ACTIVITIES INSPIRED BY AWESOME ECOLOGISTS PAST AND PRESENT.** Beverly, MA: Quarto, 2023.

Students and teachers can learn about the Miyawaki Technique, ecological niche theory, Kenya's Green Belt movement, and many other scientific topics with picture biographies of those who pioneered them and integrated hands-on projects.

QH 55 .H45 2023

Hendy, Jenny. **THE ULTIMATE STEP-BY-STEP KID'S FIRST GARDENING BOOK.** London: Lorenz, 2010.

Illustrated, step-by-step guide for gardeners ages 5 and up who want to try wildlife gardening, vegetable and fruit growing, garden crafts, and much more.

SB 457 .H46 2010

Henley, Thom; Peavy, Kenny. **AS IF THE EARTH MATTERS: RECOMMITTING TO ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION.** Thailand: S.l., 2006.

Features wide-ranging outdoor education programs that include Indigenous teachers in Malaysia, Thailand, Western Washington, and coastal British Columbia.

QH 51 .H46 2006

Herbert, Janis. **LEWIS AND CLARK FOR KIDS: THEIR JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY WITH 21 ACTIVITIES.** Chicago: Chicago Review Press, 2000.

Projects detailed in this book include mapmaking, plant sample preservation, and a recipe for Arikara stew made with corn, squash, and beans. The projects are interspersed with narrative text explaining the journey of Lewis and Clark. For instance, when students read about the explorers using sign language to communicate with the Plains tribes, they can then learn a few of the signs themselves, bringing what they have read to life. The text suits older students, but certain activities would work with younger children, too.

QK 31 .L49 H47 2000

Herman, Marina Lachecki, et al. **TEACHING KIDS TO LOVE THE EARTH**. Duluth, MN: Pfeifer-Hamilton Publishers, 1991.

Games, stories, and explorations designed for parents or other teachers to share with children. Creativity, awareness, and developing a sense of wonder are stressed in this award- winning book.

QH 51 .T42 1991

Hirschi, Jane. **WE GARDEN TOGETHER!** North Adams, MA: Storey, 2023.

Developed by the garden educators at CitySprouts (in the Boston area), the activities in this appealing book include finding worms, eating the rainbow, and making a terrarium.

SB 55 .H57 2023

Hickman, Pamela M. **PLANTWISE**. Toronto: Kids Can Press Ltd., 1991.

Contains activities and interesting information to help the intermediate reader discover the role of different plant parts and how new plants arise. Projects include finding exploding seeds, growing crooked plants, and making leaf skeletons.

QH 55 .H52 1991

Hirschi, Jane. Foreword by David Sobel. **RIPE FOR CHANGE: GARDEN-BASED LEARNING IN SCHOOLS.** Cambridge, MA: Harvard, 2015.

The author considers five garden-based education programs and lays out pathways to better integration of school gardening in public schools nationwide.

SB 55 .H57 2015

Hoberman, Mary Ann; Winston, Linda, editors. **THE TREE THAT TIME BUILT: A CELEBRATION OF NATURE, SCIENCE, AND IMAGINATION.** Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks Jabberwocky, 2009.

The poetry in this book spans generations, so that Emily Dickinson may rub shoulders with Valerie Worth, Isabella Gardner with Jelaluddin Rumi, or Jack Prelutsky with Walt Whitman. Each poem has been selected for how it relates to a particular ecological theme, and the editorial notes fall into the background, giving each poem room to be understood on its own terms. An audio CD in the back contains forty-four poems read by twenty poets and artists.

SB 455 .H62 2009

Hodges, Shanti. **HIKE IT BABY: 100 AWESOME OUTDOOR ADVENTURES WITH BABIES AND TODDLERS.** Lanham, MD: Falcon, 2018.

Learn about 100 favorite trails for parents and young children all over the United States and meet some of the intrepid moms and dads who have added hiking to their babies' routines. The book combines beautiful photos with trail-tested advice on what to bring and how to make the most of your outdoor family time.

QH 51 .H63 2018

Holland, Michael. Illustrated by Philip Giordano. **A JUNGLE IN YOUR LIVING ROOM: A GUIDE TO CREATING YOUR OWN HOUSEPLANT COLLECTION.** London: Flying Eye, 2023.

Appealing geometric illustrations bring whimsy to this fact-filled book about growing succulents, air plants, carnivorous plants, aroids, and more.

SB 419 .H65 2023

Hollister, Sarah. **TOTALLY TREE-MENDOUS ACTIVITIES.** Greenfield, MA: Northeast Sustainable Energy Association, 1997.

Tree activities in six topic areas: tree identification, seasonal changes, research & fieldwork, arts & literature, the benefits of trees, and growing a park. These are wonderfully creative. Imagine kids designing their own tree costumes based on the tree bark pattern of their choice! The instructions are here.

SB 435 .H65 1997

Honig, Maryke. **MAKING YOUR GARDEN COME ALIVE! ENVIRONMENTAL INTERPRETATION IN BOTANICAL GARDENS.** Pretoria, South Africa: Southern African Botanical Diversity Network, 2000.

This report draws on the experience of interpretive staff at eight botanic gardens in South Africa. Illustrated, practical text covers diverse topics, from creating signage for a self-guided tour to welcoming children with treasure hunts and detective games.

SB 464 .H66 2000

Hopman, Ellen Evert. **WALKING THE WORLD IN WONDER: A CHILDREN'S HERBAL**. Rochester, VT: Healing Arts Press, 2000.

Older children will be intrigued with this introduction to ethnobotany, best enjoyed with adult supervision.

SB 351 .H5 H67 2000

Houghton, Peter; Worroll, Jane. **PLAY THE FOREST SCHOOL WAY.** London: Watkins, 2016.

These activities for outdoor learning teach knot-tying, ecology, shelter-building, art, and other skills using the Forest School philosophy. The goal is to support children as they build confidence and judgement in reasonable risk-taking at each developmental stage between the ages of 3 and 11.

QH 51 .H68 2016

Hughes, Meredith Sayles. **GREEN POWER: LEAF & FLOWER VEGETABLES.** Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2001.

What do broccoli, spinach, artichokes, and cabbage have in common? They are all green, of course, and they are all featured in this informative book from the Plants We Eat series. History, anatomy, modern agricultural production, and tasty recipes are all provided.

SB 324 .H84 2001

Hunken, Jorie. **BOTANY FOR ALL AGES: DISCOVERING NATURE THROUGH ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS**. Old Saybrook, CT: Globe Pequot Press, 1994.

This book is unusual among educational guides in its focus on plants themselves. The information and lesson plans for this manual were developed at the Garden in the Woods of Framingham, Massachusetts, during twenty years of native plant education.

QK 52.55 .H87 1994

Hunken, Jorie. **ECOLOGY FOR ALL AGES: DISCOVERING NATURE THROUGH ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS**. Old Saybrook, CT: Globe Pequot Press, 1994.

Animals as well as plants fill the pages of this activity book. The instructions encourage close observation and inquiry about how ecosystems work.

QH 541.2 .H87 1994

Hunken, Jorie, et al. **LADYBUGS AND LETTUCE LEAVES: A YOUNG PERSON'S GUIDE TO GARDENING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**. Washington, DC: Center for Science in the Public Interest, 1982.

Projects in gardening, environmental education, and science.

SB 457 .L23 1982

Huntington, Lucy. **CASSELL'S DIRECTORY OF PLANTS FOR FAMILY GARDENS.** London: Cassell, 2000.

This book has three parts: planning the garden, making the garden, and the plant directory, which is particularly useful for its advice on avoiding toxic and dangerous plants.

SB 457 .H86 2000

Hurme, Maija. Laurent, Lina. **SECRET GARDENERS: GROWING A COMMUNITY AND HEALING THE EARTH.** Ontario: Pajama Press, 2024.

Three friends learn about beekeeping, composting, and community organizing in this charming book.

SB 321 .H87 2024

Ingram, Mrill. **BOTTLE BIOLOGY: AN IDEA BOOK FOR EXPLORING THE WORLD THROUGH PLASTIC BOTTLES AND OTHER RECYCLABLE MATERIALS.** Dubuque, IA: Kendall-Hunt, 1993.

Want to make a tiny garden in a recycled container? Curious what you can learn while making kimchee? You will find many creative, well-planned experiments in this book.

QH 55 .I64 1993

International School Grounds Alliance. **INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL GROUNDS MONTH ACTIVITY GUIDE: 2016.** S.l.: International School Grounds Alliance, 2016.

Representatives from schools around the globe collaborated to produce this activity guide. Outdoor projects range from group games to weaving with plant materials.

SB 55 .I68 2016

Jackson, Tom. Illustrated by Dragan Kordić. **HOW DO WE STOP CLIMATE CHANGE?** San Rafael, CA: EarthAware Kids, 2021.

Well-illustrated and thoughtful, this book presents many facets of climate change and some potential solutions, emphasizing the urgent need for cooperation to maintain life on earth.

QC 981.8 .C5 J23 2021

Jaffe, Roberta; Appel, Gary. **THE GROWING CLASSROOM: GARDEN-BASED SCIENCE.** Arlington, VT: National Gardening Association, 2007.

A new edition of a favorite from 1990, this 464-page curriculum guide gives lesson plans for grades 2-6. It covers schoolyard garden design as well as methods of teaching science in the garden.

SB 55 .J24 2007

James, Cathy. **THE GARDEN CLASSROOM: HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES IN MATH, SCIENCE, LITERACY & ART.** Boston: Roost Books, 2015.

"Anything you can teach in an indoor classroom can be taught outdoors, often in ways that are more enjoyable for children." This bold assertion opens Cathy James' book, and she proves her point with simple steps anyone who teaches children can take to enhance the curriculum outdoors. The projects are flexible, affordable, and practical for small or large groups, aged 4 to 8.

SB 449.48 .J26 2015

James, Michael. **FOREST SCHOOL AND AUTISM.** London: Jessica Kingsley, 2018.

The author runs a Forest School in Somerset, UK, offering outdoor experiences to people of all ages. His inclusive approach and many years of experience working with people on the autism spectrum make this 207-page guide uniquely useful.

QH 51 .J26 2018

Jekyll, Gertrude. **CHILDREN AND GARDENS**. Woodbridge, England: Antique Collector's Club, 1982.

A reprint of Gertrude Jekyll's charming book introducing children to the world of gardening in the early 1900s.

SB 457 .J45 1982

Johansson, Philip. **THE TEMPERATE FOREST: A WEB OF LIFE.** Berkeley Heights, NJ: Enslow, 2004.

This is a fact-filled book about the plants, animals, and climate of the temperate forest biome, lavishly illustrated with drawings, maps, and photographs.
QH 541.5 .F6 J63 2004

Johnston, Larry. **PLAYSETS: IDEAS AND PLANS FOR OUTDOOR PLAY.** Des Moines, IA: Meredith Books for Better Homes and Gardens, 2006.

Filled with plans and step-by-step instructions for building a sandbox, a fort, a teeter-totter, and much more.
SB 475.5 .J64 2006

Joly, Philippa. **A KID'S GUIDE TO PLANTS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.** Madeira Park, British Columbia: Harbor, 2023.

This is a wonderful resource for teachers, youth, and anyone interested in forming a closer relationship with the plants of our region. It includes a recipe for cottonwood bud oil, instructions for making a floating duck from a cattail leaf, information about Indigenous camas harvesting and Garry oak prairie restoration, and much more.
QK 143 .J65 2023

Joyce, Paula. **THE COUNTRY YEAR.** London: Medici Society, 1984.

A month-by-month field guide to flowers and animals observed in the British countryside, this small book contains plants (and creatures) familiar to gardeners (and children) the world over.
QH 48 .J69 1984

Joyce, Paula. **WILD FLOWERS.** London: Medici Society, 1981.

Not just for children, this visual guide to wayside plants will be fascinating to anyone who has ever wondered, "What's that little flower I keep seeing everywhere?"
QH 48 .J692 1981

Judson, Gillian. **A WALKING CURRICULUM: EVOKING WONDER AND DEVELOPING SENSE OF PLACE (K-12).** San Bernardino, CA: self-published, 2018.

The author is a member of the Faculty of Education at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia and a leader in the Imaginative Ecological Education movement. This book offers 60 walking-based activities for K-12 students.
QH 51 .J83 2018

Junior Master Gardener Program. **JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER HANDBOOK: LEVEL 1.** College Station, TX: Texas Agricultural Extension Service, 1999.

This 185-page workbook provides self-guided learning opportunities for third through fifth graders. Useful with or without the Teacher/Leader Guide featured below.
SB 55 .J86 1999

Junior Master Gardener Program. **JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER TEACHER/LEADER GUIDE: LEVEL 1.** College Station, TX: Texas Agricultural Extension Service, 1999.

Designed for the Junior Master Gardener programs for children in grades 3-5, these lesson plans and worksheets provide games, activities and teaching techniques for ecology, botany, gardening, insect identification, and much more.
SB 55 .J86 1999b

Junior Master Gardener Program. **JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER TEACHER/LEADER GUIDE: LEVEL 2: OPERATION THISTLE.** College Station, TX: Texas Agricultural Extension Service, 2002.

Fresh and relevant for students in grades 6-8, these lesson plans and worksheets provide games, activities, and teaching techniques for botany, plant physiology, propagation, and much more.
SB 55 .J86 2002

Junior Master Gardener Program. **JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER: WILDLIFE GARDENER.** College Station, TX: Texas Agricultural Extension Service, 2004.

Produced through a partnership between the Junior Master Gardener program and the National Wildlife Federation, this 230-page treasure provides games, activities, and wildlife garden guidelines.
SB 55 .J86 2004

Junior Master Gardener Program. **LITERATURE IN THE GARDEN.** College Station, TX: Texas Agricultural Extension Service, 2005.

Each unit uses a picture book as its foundation, and then branches out to teach gardening skills, botany, soil science, community spirit, ecology, math, and much more. For example, the unit featuring TOPS & BOTTOMS (by Janet Stevens, available in the Youth Collection at SB 455 .S84 1995) begins with the funny story of Bear and Hare trying to divide the harvest and ends up teaching field study, potato gardening, variables and constants, and plant anatomy. Wow!
SB 55 .J86 2005

Jurenka, Nancy Allen; Blass, Rosanne J. **BEYOND THE BEAN SEED: GARDENING ACTIVITIES FOR GRADES K-6**. Englewood, CO: Teacher Ideas Press, 1996.

This book is chock-full of ideas and activities. Better yet, the authors have listed other books at the end of each chapter to help students "Read more about it."
SB 457 .J87 1996

Jurenka, Nancy Allen; Blass, Rosanne J. **CULTIVATING A CHILD'S IMAGINATION THROUGH GARDENING**. Englewood, CO: Teacher Ideas Press, 1996.

More activities, reading lists, and sources from the authors of **BEYOND THE BEAN SEED**.
SB 457 .J87 1996b

Kalich, Karrie; Bauer, Dottie; McPartlin, Deirdre. **EARLY SPROUTS: CULTIVATING HEALTHY FOOD CHOICES IN YOUNG CHILDREN.** St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2009.

Aimed at helping preschool children discover and enjoy eating more fruits and vegetables, this complete 24-week curriculum contains gardening instructions, activities and recipes for classroom use, materials for outreach to families, all in an appealingly simple, well-tested format.

SB 55 .K25 2009

Kalman, Bobbie; Schaub, Janine. **SQUIRMY WORMY COMPOSTERS**. New York: Crabtree Publishing Company, 1992.

Lucid text and bright illustrations make this primary-age guide to vermicomposting attractive and fun. It covers worm anatomy along with basic ecology and the inside story of using a worm bin.

S 661.2 .E2 K25 1992

Kavanagh, James. Illustrated by Raymond Leung. **NATURE ACTIVITY BOOK 1** and **NATURE ACTIVITY BOOK 2**. Blaine, WA: Waterford Press, 1999.

These two booklets contain word searches, matching, jumbles, and other fun puzzles on the theme of plant and animal identification.

QH 51 .K28 1999 v.1, 2

Keeler, Rusty. **NATURAL PLAYSCAPES: CREATING OUTDOOR PLAY ENVIRONMENTS FOR THE SOUL.** Redmond, WA: Exchange Press, 2008.

Lavishly illustrated and international in scope, this beautiful book explains how to create natural playgrounds with a sense of place, always keeping the goal in view: happy children who grow up nurtured, with time and space to play in nature.

SB 55 .K44 2008

Keeler, Rusty. **SEASONS OF PLAY: NATURAL ENVIRONMENTS OF WONDER.** Lewisville, NC: Gryphon House, 2016.

The author of this book started by taking pictures, lots of them. He visited home-based preschools with a strong nature-play program and photographed the kids at play, showing the ways they used trees, rocks, sand, leaves, flowers, and other elements of the landscape. He spoke with the director of each school about how their play yard design provided opportunities for learning. The result is a book that shows us how to create the conditions for real-life outdoor learning in preschools and home gardens.

SB 55 .K44 2016

Kessler, Colleen. **100 BACKYARD ACTIVITIES THAT ARE THE DIRTIEST, COOLEST, CREEPY-CRAWLIEST EVER!** Salem, MA: Page Street, 2017.

Kids will love these science projects in their own neighborhoods. Kessler explains how to observe an earthworm's heartbeat, dissect a flower, test soil texture, and much more.

QH 55 .K47 2017

Key, James P. **RESOURCE MANUAL FOR OWL PELLET LABS: REPRODUCIBLE CHARTS AND ACTIVITIES TO ENHANCE OWL PELLET STUDIES.** Self-published: White Owl Enterprises, 1996.

Clear pictures and informative text help students identify the contents of barn owl pellets.

QL 696 .S85 K29 1996

Kenny, Erin. **FOREST KINDERGARTENS: THE CEDARSONG WAY.** Vashon: Cedarsong Nature School, 2015.

Erin Kelly cofounded Vashon Island's Cedarsong Forest Kindergarten and created a training program for teachers entering the field of outdoor early education. In this book she outlines the philosophy behind forest kindergartens, lessons learned in translating the concept, long-established in Europe, for local children and families, and best practices for working (and playing) with ages 2-6 outdoors.

QH 51 .K46 2013

Kiefer, Joseph; Kemple, Martin. **DIGGING DEEPER: INTEGRATING YOUTH GARDENS INTO SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES.** Philadelphia, PA: American Community Gardening Association, 1998.

The next generation of community garden guide, this illustrated gem covers everything from making rose-petal jam or a three-bin compost bin to hosting a grand opening at your new community garden.

SB 55 .K54 1998

Kimmerer, Robin Wall. Adapted by Monique Gray Smith. Illustrations by Nicole Neidhardt. **BRAIDING SWEETGRASS FOR YOUNG ADULTS.** Minneapolis: Zest Books, 2022.

Useful and appealing, this book offers illustrations, thought-provoking questions, and sidebar definitions for terms such as "alluvial soils" and "symbiosis."

SB 455.5 .K56 2022

Kirkland, Jane. **NO STUDENT LEFT INDOORS: CREATING A FIELD GUIDE TO YOUR SCHOOLYARD.** Lionville, PA: Stillwater, 2007.

Practical schoolyard nature observation lesson plans combine with useful bonus resources, such as “Appendix C: If You Find an Injured Animal” and “Appendix F: Native Plants in Elementary School Learning.” Designed for grades K-8.

QH 51 .K57 2007

Kirkland, Jane. **TAKE A BACKYARD BIRD WALK.** Lionville, PA: Stillwater, 2005.

The Take a Walk books from Jane Kirkland are unique and fascinating. Written for either individual kids and families or school groups, they teach nature study in a down-to-earth, hands-on, inclusive style.

QL 681 .K57 200

Kirkland, Jane. **TAKE A CITY NATURE WALK.** Lionville, PA: Stillwater, 2007.

Another Take a Walk book from Jane Kirkland. This one would be a great jumping-off place for a teacher planning to work nature study into a city field trip. Kids who are keen to observe will love these books!

QH 55 .K57 2007

Kirkland, Jane. **TAKE A TREE WALK.** Lionville, PA: Stillwater, 2006.

Jane Kirkland's friendly style and encouraging attitude appeal to kids at all stages of nature education. Text and pictures show how to identify different trees and what to observe when making field notes.

SB 436.8 .K57 2006

Kirkland, Jane. **TAKE A WALK WITH BUTTERFLIES AND DRAGONFLIES.** Lionville, PA: Stillwater, 2005.

The author tells kids how, where, and when to find butterflies and dragonflies, as well as how to identify them, all the while demonstrating and cultivating love and respect for these insects and their habitats.

QL 467.2 .K57 2005

Koch, Pamela A.; Teachers College, Columbia University. **GROWING FOOD (LIFE CURRICULUM SERIES).** New York: Columbia University, 2007.

This inquiry-based science and gardening program for grades 4-6 includes lesson plans, student activity sheets, background information, and teaching tips.

SB 55 .K63 2007

Kohl, MaryAnn F. **GOOD EARTH ART: ENVIRONMENTAL ART FOR KIDS.** Bellingham, WA: Bright Ring Publishing, 1991.

From recycled-material crafts to seed necklaces to berry dyes, this book brims with practical, fun projects for children. Pictorial symbols show which activities are best suited for different age groups, from age 1 through 8-plus.

SB 449.48 .K64 1991

Kolb, James A. **PUGET SOUNDBOOK.** Poulsbo, WA: Marine Science Center, 1991.

This workbook is for Puget Sound area residents who want to help maintain water quality by making choices in their daily lives, from pre-cycling to waterwise landscaping.

QH 541.2 .K63 1991

Krezel, Cindy. **101 KID-FRIENDLY PLANTS**. Chicago, IL: Ball Publishing, 2007.

This illustrated guide describes one hundred and one trees, shrubs, vegetables, and houseplants, and how to use them for garden projects with kids.

SB 457.2 .K72 2007

Krohn, Elise, editor. **PLANT TEACHINGS FOR GROWING SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL SKILLS: CULTIVATING RESILIENCY AND WELLBEING WITH NORTHWEST PLANTS: A COLLABORATIVE PROJECT.** [Olympia, Washington] : Garden Raised urban Bounty (GRuB), 2020

These plant teachings are in two parts. The first half of the book contains background information and suggestions for recognizing and learning from plants such as dandelion, wild strawberry, alder, and salal. The second half offers recipes and techniques for using the plants in healing foods and balms.

Pacific Northwest Connections Collection QK 98.6 .P23 2020

Laber-Warren, Emily. **INTO THE FIELD GUIDE: A WALK IN THE WOODS.** New York: Downtown Bookworks, 2013.

Bright pictures and descriptive text highlight forest dwellers such as owls, salamanders, butterflies, moths, rodents, birds, and much more, including pages on the plant and fungal life of the woods. Considers rocks in the geology section.

QH 541.5 .F6 L23 2013

Lang, Gail M. **HORTICULTURE.** New York: Chelsea House, 2007.

This textbook, appropriate for high school students, introduces readers to the various disciplines of horticulture, including agriculture, ecology, pest management, propagation, botany, and garden design.

SB 46 .L26 2007

Larimore, Rachel A. **PRESCHOOL BEYOND WALLS: BLENDING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND NATURE-BASED LEARNING.** Lewisville, NC: Gryphon House, 2019.

Preschool providers who want to bring more nature-based lessons to the young people in their programs will appreciate the clear, direct guidance here. The philosophy is inquiry-based, with room to incorporate the curricular themes that emerge naturally at your outdoor learning site.

QH 51 .L27 2019

Lawlor, Elizabeth. **BOOK OF NATURE PROJECTS: ACTIVITIES AND EXPLORATIONS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE GREAT OUTDOORS.** Mechanicsburg, PA: Stackpole Books, 2008.

Parents and teachers will enjoy using this practical guide to outdoor activities, from analyzing an owl pellet to identifying trees by their bark.

QH 51 .L29 2008

Lawlor, Laurie. **RESTORING PRAIRIE, WOODS, AND POND: HOW A SMALL TRAIL CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.** New York: Holiday House, 2023.

Wisconsin students and community organizers work together to create the Eagle Nature Trail in this true story about the history and future of stewardship there.

QH 541.15 .R45 L29 2023

Leibreich, Karen; Wagner, Jutta; Wendland, Annette. **THE FAMILY KITCHEN GARDEN.** London: Frances Lincoln, 2009.

Recipes, projects, and practical advice abound in this beautifully produced book for family gardeners, novice and expert alike.

SB 321 .L54 2009

Lerner, Carol. **MY BACKYARD GARDEN**. New York: Morrow Junior Books, 1998.

This illustrated garden guide for young readers covers vegetable gardening for beginners, including planning, planting, compost piles, mulch, seasonal tasks, tools, garden insects (harmful and beneficial), and more.

SB 324 .L47 1998

Lerner, Carol. **PLANT FAMILIES**. New York: Morrow Junior Books, 1989.

Life-size full-color illustrations, as lovely as botanical prints, enhance detailed descriptions of twelve plant families, showing their sepals, petals, and other parts.

QK 49 .L47 1989

Lerner, Carol. **PLANTS THAT MAKE YOU SNIFFLE AND SNEEZE**. New York: Morrow Junior Books, 1993.

This well-illustrated book details the biology of the plants which most often trigger pollen allergies.

QK 49 .L47 1993

Leslie, Clare Walker. **THE NATURE CONNECTION: AN OUTDOOR WORKBOOK FOR KIDS, FAMILIES, AND CLASSROOMS.** North Adams, MA: Storey, 2010.

Games and activities make learning natural history fun in this self-guided tour of the great outdoors. The text speaks directly to the child, and there are reproducible pages for classroom use.

QH 55 .L47 2010

Li, Judith L. Illustrated by M.L. Herring. **ELLIE'S LOG: EXPLORING THE FOREST WHERE THE GREAT TREE FELL.** Corvallis: Oregon State University Press, 2013.

With help from her parents, a forest manager and a wildlife biologist, and in the company of new friend Ricky, eleven-year-old Ellie Homesly fills a field notebook with sketches and notes about nature in the woods near her home. A teacher's guide is available online.

QH 541.5 .F6 L5 2013

Li, Judith L. Illustrated by M.L. Herring. **ELLIE'S STRAND: EXPLORING THE EDGE OF THE PACIFIC.** Corvallis: Oregon State University Press, 2018.

Ellie and Ricky are back in this beautifully illustrated blend of shore science and storytelling. Highly recommended, particularly for readers ages 8-12.

QH 541.15 .R45 H47 2018

Li, Judith L. Illustrated by M.L. Herring. **RICKY'S ATLAS: MAPPING A LAND ON FIRE.** Corvallis: Oregon State University Press, 2016.

Ricky Zamora is visiting his uncle in Eastern Oregon when a wildfire breaks out in this sequel to ELLIE'S LOG. A teacher's guide is available online.

QH 541.5 .F6 L5 2016

Li, Judith L. Illustrated by M.L. Herring. **RICKY IN THE CITY: WHERE THE WILDLIFE LIVE.** Corvallis: Oregon State University Press, 2019.

Illustrated with colorful drawings, this book brings Ricky and Ellie to Portland, Oregon, where they learn about wetlands, birds, insects and more.

QH 55 .L5 2019

Lieberman, Gerald A.; Hoody, Linda L. **CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP: USING THE ENVIRONMENT AS AN INTEGRATING CONCEPT FOR LEARNING.** San Diego, CA: State Education and Environment Roundtable, 1998.

Here are the results of a nationwide study into the merits of multi-disciplinary curricula which incorporate environmental studies with other subjects such as reading, writing, and math. It works!

QH 541.2 .L54 1998

LifeLab Science Program. **GETTING STARTED: A GUIDE FOR CREATING SCHOOL GARDENS AS OUTDOOR CLASSROOMS.** Berkeley, CA: Center for Ecoliteracy, 2007.

The garden educators at LifeLab and the Center for Ecoliteracy have teamed up to create this 50-page illustrated guide to planning and establishing a school garden program.

SB 55 .L54 2007

LifeLab Science Program. **SOWING THE SEEDS OF WONDER: DISCOVERING THE GARDEN IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION.** Burlington, VT: National Gardening Association, 2010.

If you are a preschool teacher looking for ways to get out in the garden with your students, begin here! The detailed lesson plans are field-tested.

SB 55 .L54 2010

Lingelbach, Jenepher; Purcell, Lisa, editors. Illustrated by Susan Sawyer. **HANDS-ON NATURE: INFORMATION AND ACTIVITIES FOR EXPLORING THE ENVIRONMENT WITH CHILREN.** Woodstock, VT: Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 2000.

This book is filled with fresh, clever ideas based on the philosophy that "children, like adults, learn best when they are having a good time." Check it out!

QH 51 .L56 2000

Little, Helen, et al., editors. **OUTDOOR LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS: SPACES FOR EXPLORATION, DISCOVERY, AND RISK-TAKING IN THE EARLY YEARS.** Crows Nest, New South Wales, Australia: Allen & Unwin, 2017.

Published in Australia, this collection of essays by twenty-eight collaborating authors offers a substantive treatment of what young children need from play spaces if they are to learn and grow there. Each chapter closes with questions to assess comprehension and extend opportunities for reflection.

SB 55 .L58 2017

Lock, Deborah, editor. **GROW IT, COOK IT.** London: DK, 2008.

Promising "simple gardening projects and delicious recipes," this illustrated guide from the UK delivers in an inviting format.

SB 457 .L63 2008

Logan, Jason. **HOW TO BE A COLOR WIZARD: FORAGE AND EXPERIMENT WITH NATURAL ART MAKING.** Somerville, MA: MIT Kids, 2024.

Young people can depict a Martian landscape, make blue ink from a copper penny, brew "bright pink underground ink" from beets, and try many other creative projects with this guide to making natural inks.

QK 98.7 .A1 L64 2024

Lopez, Ruth Kanter. **GARDENS FOR GROWING PEOPLE: A GUIDE TO GARDENING WITH CHILDREN**. Point Reyes Station, CA: Gardens for Growing People, 1990.

"Many people love raising both plants and children and face the problems of bringing the two together ...Our challenge is to create ways to make gardening fun and easy for children of all ages." Throughout this book you will find ideas that will help tailor your gardening methods to suit children.

SB 457 .L67 1990

Louv, Richard. **LAST CHILD IN THE WOODS: SAVING OUR CHILDREN FROM NATURE-DEFICIT DISORDER**. Chapel Hill, NC: Algonquin Books, 2005.

This acclaimed appeal for "healing the broken bond between our young and nature" is thought-provoking and inspirational reading for all those who work with children. Especially valuable is the simple idea that children's mental and physical health improve when parents make sure they have time for outdoor play.

QH 541.15 .H86 L68 2005

Louv, Richard. **VITAMIN N: THE ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO A NATURE-RICH LIFE.** Chapel Hill, NC: Algonquin Books, 2016.

This thought-provoking manual introduces simple ideas for getting outside and benefiting from everything nature has to offer, no matter your age and ability. While the book will be useful for parents of small children, it also covers what individual teens and adults can do to have a nature-rich life as well as how teachers and grandparents can support outdoor play for the children in their lives.

QH 541.15 .H86 L68 2016

Lovejoy, Sharon. **HOLLYHOCK DAYS: GARDEN ADVENTURES FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART**. Loveland, CO: Interweave Press, 1991.

Not just for children, this garden memoir and idea book is full of clever ideas and interesting tidbits about gardening.

SB 457 .L68 1991

Lovejoy, Sharon. **SUNFLOWER HOUSES: GARDEN DISCOVERIES FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES**. Loveland, CO: Interweave Press, 1991.

A delightful collection of childhood gardening memories that will inspire parents and other adults to provide similar experiences for children in their care.

SB 457 .L68 1991

Lovejoy, Sharon. **ROOTS, SHOOTS, BUCKETS & BOOTS**. New York: Workman, 1999.

An engaging, keep-it-simple guidebook for kids who love to garden, complete with plans for container gardens, moon gardens, and pizza gardens.

SB 457 .L68 1999

Lovejoy, Sharon. **CAMP GRANNY.** New York: Workman, 2009.

With more crafts and cooking activities than the author's other books, as well as creative outdoor activities, this well-illustrated book is sure to please grandparents and parents alike. Originally published in 2009 under the title "Toad Cottages and Shooting Stars: Grandma's Bag of Tricks."

SB 449.48 .L68 2009

Lozada Gobilard, Sissi. **ANTENITA AND THE BLACK IRIS.** Koper, Slovenia: University of Primorska Press, 2023.

Bees named Antenita, Hakim and Abi shelter overnight in black irises in this fact-based picture book about one way insects and plants work together.

SB 455 .L69 2023

Lym, Brian. **BOOKS FOR CHILDREN IN THE COLLECTIONS OF THE HELEN CROCKER RUSSELL LIBRARY OF HORTICULTURE**. San Francisco: San Francisco Botanical Garden Society, 2008.

This is an annotated bibliography with over 1,500 plant-related titles, including hundreds of fiction titles. For comparison, you will find the 2001 edition of this list on our shelves as well.

QK 14.5 .L96 2001, QK 14.5 .L96 2008

Macfarlane, Robert. Illustrated by Jackie Morris. **THE LOST WORDS.** London: Hamish Hamilton, 2017.

This large-format illustrated "spell book" of poems vividly conjures up bramble, heron, otter, and fern, along with other aspects of the natural world common between the northwestern United States and the United Kingdom.

SB 455 .M23 2017

Macfarlane, Robert. Illustrated by Jackie Morris. **THE LOST SPELLS.** Toronto: House of Anansi Press, 2020.

The “little sister” to The Lost Words (2017), this lavishly illustrated book includes illustrated poems about seals, moths, foxes, oak and beech trees, and more.

SB 455 .M23 2020

Mackey, Bonnie; Stewart, Jennifer Mackey. **A LIBRARIAN’S GUIDE TO CULTIVATING AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GARDEN.** Columbus, OH: Linworth Books, 2009.

This unique manual centers on the potential of school librarians to promote, plan, and use school gardens in helping their students grow. Book and web resource lists appear in each chapter, including suggested reading for teachers as well as students.

SB 55 .M23 2009

MacLatchie, Sharon. **GARDENING WITH KIDS.** Emmaus, PA: Rodale Press, 1977.

A back-to-basics look at the how and why adults might foster the gardening efforts of children, both in schools and at home.

SB 457 .M3 1977

Malnor, Carol L. **A TEACHER’S GUIDE TO HOW WE KNOW WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT OUR CHANGING CLIMATE: LESSONS, RESOURCES, AND GUIDELINES ABOUT GLOBAL WARMING.** Nevada City, CA: Dawn Publications, 2008.

Intended for teachers of grades five through eight, this teacher’s guide provides science and language arts lesson plans related to Lynne Cherry and Gary Braasch’s excellent book, available in our Children’s section.

QC 981.8 .C5 M25 2008

Mannes, Judy. **SEEDS OF CHANGE: LEARNING FROM THE GARDEN.** Parsippany, NJ: Dale Seymour, 2001.

This garden-based curriculum is flexible. It functions complete or piece-by-piece, and provides a unique blend of cultural, historical, and scientific learning.

SB 55 .M26 2001

Martin, Carly, editor. **WETLAND WONDERS.** Cincinnati, OH: National Association for Interpretation, 2006.

This thin booklet offers field-tested games and activities, including tie-dyed T-shirts with a turtle design. Fun stuff!

QH 541.5 .M3 M27 2006

Martin, Laura C. **NATURE'S ART BOX**. North Adams, MA: Storey, 2003.

Here are over 200 pages of award-winning craft ideas for nature-loving kids, including flower collage, plant dyes, and nature journals. The presentation is clear and attractive, with special notes when a project requires adult supervision.

SB 449.48 .M27 2003

Mascali, Elaine F. **MEET THE NATIVES: THE B.C. NATIVE PLANT GARDEN RESOURCE BOOK.** Vancouver, BC: The Botanical Garden of the University of British Columbia, 1976.

Though the format is dated, the information here is still excellent for helping students recognize and appreciate Pacific Northwest native plants.

QK 203 .B7 M37 1976

Matthews, Clare. **GREAT GARDENS FOR KIDS.** London: Hamlyn, 2002 and 2005.

A colorful book of projects that kids and parents can undertake in the garden together, along with ideas for parents on keeping the garden safe and fun for children. We have both the 2002 and 2005 editions.

SB 457 .M38 2002, 2005

Matthews, Clare. **HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW? GREAT GARDENING FOR GREEN-FINGERED KIDS.** London: Hamlyn, 2005.

Fully illustrated with color photos, this book will provide inspiration for parents who want to get their kids gardening but aren't sure how to begin. Activities, experiments, and craft projects appear along with fruit and vegetable gardening ideas and recipes.

SB 457 .M28 2005

McCarthy, Allison. **IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR FLORAL REPORT CARD: A NATIONAL K-12 CLIMATE CHANGE EDUCATION INITIATIVE.** Seattle: University of Washington, 2011.

Shelved in the compact shelving with the Thesis Collection and available online, this thesis describes the development and pilot testing of a new climate change curriculum that gets students looking closely at flowers to observe and record flowering dates.

Thesis McCARTHY

Meek, Tim and Kerry Meek, with Amy and Ella Meek. **LEARNING OUTDOORS WITH THE MEEK FAMILY**. London: Frances Lincoln, 2015.

Tim and Kerry Meek, teachers from Nottinghamshire, have taken a year off from formal education with their 9- and 11-year-old daughters. They share the educational potential in visiting farms, gardens, historical sites, national parks, power stations, and other outdoor sites as a family.

QH 541.15 .H86 M44 2015

Miller, Heather S. **CHILDREN AND GARDENS: AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY OF CHILDREN'S GARDEN BOOKS 1829 TO 1988**. Bronx, NY: Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries, New York Botanical Garden, 1990.

This lengthy list of fiction and non-fiction written for children includes useful critical annotations including suggested ages for each title.

QK 14.5 .M64 1990

Milord, Susan. **THE KIDS' NATURE BOOK: 365 INDOOR/OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES AND EXPERIENCES**. Charlotte, VT: Williamson Publishing, 1989.

This is full of ideas for each day of the year, with each week's activities centered on a different theme. Examples include setting up an area to display nature treasures, making wind chimes, and creating a rainbow. There is also a valuable appendix at the end of the book providing practical information such as how to deal with animal bites and stings, where to purchase supplies, and recommended books.

QH 55 .M55 1989

Minnucci, Eliza with Meghan Teachout. **A FOREST DAYS HANDBOOK: PROGRAM DESIGN FOR SCHOOL DAYS OUTSIDE.** Brattleboro, VT: Green Writers Press, 2018.

With a foreword from David Sobel, this guidebook helps elementary school teachers to bring their teaching outdoors one day a week through a Forest Days program. Forest Days, pioneered in Vermont, help children build nature knowledge, academic skills, and enthusiasm for school.

QH 51 .M56 2018

Mizejewski, David; National Wildlife Federation. **ATTRACTING BIRDS, BUTTERFLIES AND OTHER BACKYARD WILDLIFE.** Upper Saddle River, NJ: Creative Homeowner, 2004.

Parents will love the big, bold photos, informative text, and fun projects in this colorful book. These ideas could also shine in a schoolyard setting.

SB 454.3 .W5 M59 2004

Moore, Robin C.; Cooper, Allen. **NATURE PLAY AND LEARNING PLACES: CREATING AND MANAGING PLACES WHERE CHILDREN ENGAGE WITH NATURE.** Raleigh, NC: Natural Learning Initiative, 2014.

Robin Moore studied outdoor spaces designed for learning across the United States in developing this 185-page manual of guidelines. It covers a range of important topics such as attracting and engaging children of all ages and abilities, designing spaces for play in addition to other uses, managing risk, and collaborating with communities to develop and implement new programs.

SB 55 .M66 2014

Moore, Robin C.; Goltsman, Susan; Iacofano, Daniel S. **PLAY FOR ALL GUIDELINES.** Berkeley, CA: MIG Communications, 1992.

This illustrated guidebook provides a framework for developing and improving play areas to support developmental growth for all children. If you have ever wondered how much space the bottom of a slide needs or how deep the pea gravel in your digging area should be, check this out!

SB 55 .M66 1992

Moore, Robin C.; Wong, Herb H. **NATURAL LEARNING: THE LIFE HISTORY OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOOLYARD.** Berkeley, CA: MIG Communications, 1997.

As more schools endeavor to remove blacktop play yards and improve their outdoor education programs, this guide to how it was done at Washington School in Berkeley (between 1971 and 1996) provides useful insights.

SB 55 .M66 1997

Moore, Robin C. **PLANTS FOR PLAY: A PLANT SELECTION GUIDE FOR CHILDREN'S OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENTS**. Berkeley, CA: MIG Communications, 1993.

What is safe for kids? What's fun for kids? What is tough enough to withstand games of tag and hide-and-seek? The author provides practical advice and detailed plant lists for landscapes kids will love. Best of all, the book encourages adults to see the garden from a child's perspective.

SB 457.2 .M66 1993

Morgan, Betty. **GROWING TOGETHER: ACTIVITIES TO USE IN YOUR HORTICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE THERAPY PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN**. Pittsburgh, PA: Pittsburgh Civic Garden Center, 1989.

A thick manual of "recipes" for garden-related activities kids will enjoy.

RM 735 .M67 1989

Murdoch, Tom; Cheo, Martha; O'Laughlin, Kate. Illustrated by Thomas Whittemore and others. **THE ADOPT-A-STREAM FOUNDATION STREAMKEEPER'S FIELD GUIDE: WATERSHED INVENTORY AND STREAM MONITORING METHODS.** Everett, WA: Adopt-a-Stream, 1999.

This unique handbook presents the basics of stream monitoring in a fun, interesting, and approachable format for non-scientists who want to clean up and preserve streams. Not just for kids, it is available in the tall shelves.

Tall Shelves QH 541.5 .M3 M87 1999

Nabhan, Gary Paul. **THE GEOGRAPHY OF CHILDHOOD: WHY CHILDREN NEED WILD PLACES.** Boston: Beacon Press, 1994.

Persuasive and readable, this acclaimed book takes a philosophical look at the importance of nature for kids.

QH 541.15 .H86 .N23 1994

National Gardening Association. **10 TERRIFIC VEGETABLES.** South Burlington, VT: National Gardening Association, 2002.

Useful for teachers and parents alike, this booklet provides line drawings of vegetables as well as detailed historical and gardening information on carrots, squash, peas, beans, and other commonly grown vegetables.

SB 321 .N28 2002

National Science Foundation; others. **PLANTS ALIKE AND DIFFERENT: THE DIVERSITY OF LIFE.** Self-published: undated, between 1993 and 1999.

This planning guide for teaching about the diversity of plant life contains seven units of study, including multidisciplinary lessons such as "Write a story about why the Pacific Northwest has been called our 'Last Frontier'" and "Design a post card to share something you learned on your visit to the Public Garden."

QK 52.55 .G76 1990z

National Wildlife Federation. **SCHOOLYARD HABITATS: A HOW-TO GUIDE FOR K-12 SCHOOL COMMUNITIES.** Reston, VA: National Wildlife Federation, 2001.

Over 200 pages of worksheets, lesson plans, and practical information on welcoming wildlife to your schoolyard make up this guide.
SB 55 .N28 2001

Nelson, Dennis, et al. **DISCOVER A WATERSHED: THE WATERSHED MANAGER EDUCATORS GUIDE.** Bozeman, MT: The Watercourse, 2002.

This large-format paperback contains nearly two hundred pages of water-related lesson plans, worksheets, and projects for students in grades four through twelve.
QH 541.5 .M3 N45 2002

Nelson, Eric M. **CULTIVATING OUTDOOR CLASSROOMS: DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING CHILD-CENTERED LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS**. St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2012.

This guide for early childhood educators provides strategies for overcoming inertia to design outdoor classrooms that strengthen and enhance preschool programs.
SB 55 .N45 2012

Nozedar, Adele. Illustrated by Lizzie Harper. **FORAGING WITH KIDS: 52 WILD AND FREE EDIBLES TO ENJOY WITH YOUR CHILDREN.** London: Watkins Media, 2018.

Published in the UK, this foraging guide for families features commonsense advice and clearly drawn illustrations of dandelions, lamb's quarters, morels, plantain, blackberries, and other plants also found in the Pacific Northwest. As a bonus, a sidebar for each plant lists names used for that plant in various places around the world.
QK 98.5 .G7 N69 2018

Nuttall, Carolyn; Millington, Janet. **OUTDOOR CLASSROOMS.** East Meon, Hampshire, UK: Permanent Publications, 2013.

From Australia but incorporating experience from the UK as well, this practical manual on permaculture details how to establish a school garden, methods for enhancing student learning and community support for the garden, creative curriculum enrichment, and much more.
S 494.5 .P47 N98 2013

Oberlander, Cornelia Hahn. **CORNELIA HAHN OBERLANDER ON PEDAGOGICAL PLAYGROUNDS.** Montreal: Canadian Centre for Architecture, 2023.

With an introduction by Jane Mah Hutton, this 120-page volume includes Oberlander's writings from the 1960s and 1970s reflecting on the importance of play space in landscape design.
Pacific Northwest Connections SB 470 .O34 O34 2023

O'Brien, John. **SCHOOLYARD GARDEN DESIGNS: A GUIDE TO GARDENING WITH CHILDREN**. Rochester, NY: Praying Mantis Press, 1992.

A practical guide to planning, creating, and using a schoolyard garden, including lesson plans and kid-tested garden themes.
SB 457 .O13 1992

Ocone, Lynn; Pranis, Eve. **THE NATIONAL GARDENING ASSOCIATION GUIDE TO KIDS' GARDENING: A COMPLETE GUIDE FOR TEACHERS, PARENTS, AND YOUTH LEADERS.** New York: Wiley, 1990.

A thoroughly useful guide to teaching kids to garden, this book supports the teaching of math, science, art, literature, civics, and even music through gardening.

SB 55 .O24 1990

Olmsted, Sarah. **IMAGINE CHILDHOOD: EXPLORING THE WORLD THROUGH NATURE, IMAGINATION, AND PLAY.** Boston: Roost Books, 2012.

This guide for parents and teachers details fascinating projects that spark creative outdoor play.

SB 449.48 .O56 2012

ORION: NATURE QUARTERLY. Vol. 6, No. 4 (Autumn 1987) (Journal).

Entire issue deals with questions of how to educate children to live creatively and with care for the earth and others. Includes a selective bibliography of nature literature for children.

Periodicals

Page, Teri. **FAMILY HOMESTEADING: THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY.** New York: Skyhorse, 2018.

Parents and teachers will want to review this book even if (like most folks) they aren't homesteading with a family, because of the down-to-earth, caring approach the author takes as well as the clear instructions she gives for fun and productive activities including making a foraged salad, planting a pollinator garden, and ink-making.

SB 457 .P24 2018

Pape, Dawn. **MASON MEETS A MASON BEE: WITH K-5 EDUCATOR'S GUIDE.** Circle Pines, MN: Good Green Life, 2015.

A boy meets a talking mason bee in this slightly silly book about a serious topic: pollinator conservation. More than a third of the book is comprised of teaching materials.

QL 568 .A6 P27 2015

Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw. **PLANTS ON THE TRAIL WITH LEWIS AND CLARK.** New York: Clarion, 2003.

Color photos by William Muñoz enliven all one hundred pages of Ms. Patent's treatment of Lewis and Clark's botanical discoveries. It is perfect for upper elementary and middle school readers.

QK 31 .L49 P28 2003

Patten, Elisabeth; Lyons, Kathy. **HEALTHY FOODS FROM HEALTHY SOILS.** Gardiner, ME: Tilbury House, 2007.

The activities in this splendid curriculum guide were developed with ages five through twelve in mind, although many could be used for any age group. "Designed to help children learn about food's origins," this book teaches composting, nutrition, and problem-solving skills, with a focus on local food production.

S 661.2 .E2 P28 2007

Paye, Gabriell DeBear. **CULTURAL USES OF PLANTS: A GUIDE TO LEARNING ABOUT ETHNOBOTANY.** Bronx, NY: New York Botanical Garden, 2000.

Published by the New York Botanical Garden for use by students in grades 6-12, this challenging hands-on curriculum offers students a framework for multidisciplinary projects working with plants and people.

QK 99 .A1 P29 2000

Payne, Binet. **THE WORM CAFÉ: MID-SCALE VERMICOMPOSTING OF LUNCHROOM WASTES.** Kalamazoo, MI: Flower Press, 1999.

Intended for teachers, this manual contains an excellent resource list as well as worksheets, start-to-finish project plans, and worm biology information.

S 661 .E2 P29 1999

Payne, Karen; Fryman, Deborah. **CULTIVATING COMMUNITY: PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES FOR COMMUNITY GARDENING AS A COMMUNITY-BUILDING TOOL.** Philadelphia, PA: American Community Gardening Association, 2001.

This booklet is worth looking for in the tall shelves. It contains best practices based on the experience of community gardeners nationwide, many them applicable to the school garden setting.

Tall Shelves S 494.5 .U72 P29 2001

Pearce, Mallory. **WETLAND PLANTS AND ANIMALS: CD-ROM & BOOK.** Mineola, NY: Dover, 2003.

Do you need permission-free illustrations for wildlife garden signage? What about a picture to help students differentiate between sedge and reed grass? You will find it here, in both paper and CD-ROM formats.

QH 541.5 .M3 P42 2003

Perdew, Laura. **EATING LOCAL.** Minneapolis, MN: Lerner, 2016.

Aimed at middle and high school students and useful for teachers, this book from the Growing Green series explains how local food systems work and how students can participate in them.

S 494.5 .S68 P47 2016

Petersen, Anne. **TEACHING PEACE THROUGH GARDENING.** Seattle: Seattle Tilth, 1996.

Here are 54 pages of exciting, field-tested ideas, including songs, instructions for a worm bin, and a list of edible flowers.

S 661.2 .E2 P48 1996

Peterson, Roger Tory; Tenenbaum, Frances. **A FIELD GUIDE TO WILDFLOWERS COLORING BOOK [COVER TITLE: WILDFLOWERS].** Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin, 1982.

Line drawings accompany clear text to use in teaching young botanizers. With sections on diverse plant communities, including woods, wetlands, and deserts, this would be a great resource for anyone preparing for a field trip.

QK 112 .P48 1982

Pevec, Illène. **GROWING A LIFE: TEEN GARDENERS HARVEST FOOT, HEALTH, AND JOY.** New York: New Village Press, 2016.

The author speaks with ninety youth gardeners participating in twelve different programs across the country, with the goal of understanding how working in the garden at their school, community center, or non-profit organization affects teens' mental and physical health as well as their attitudes, job prospects, and hopes for the future. The result is inspirational!

SB 55 .P48 2016

Pharaon, Rainbow. **NATURE TIME.** Milwaukee, WI: Neighborhood House of Milwaukee, 2004.

The ideas in this book are each adapted to a particular age of child, from six weeks to age 12, and setting, from prairies, woods, and wetlands to neighborhood gardens and indoor classrooms. Organization of activities by age group and setting makes it easy for a teacher, naturalist, or parent to plan programs.

QH 51 .P42 2004

Phillips, Maureen A.; Taft, Sheila B. **INDOOR NATURE AND PLANT CRAFT ACTIVITIES.** Seattle, WA: Phillips-Taft.

Two Seattle-area horticultural therapists produced this detailed, practical guide to nature crafting. Their years of experience have enabled them to provide the supply lists, clear directions, indexing, and budget awareness that make this book perfect for teachers and activity leaders in a variety of settings.

SB 449.48 .P45 2006

Plan, Melody Sumaoang. Illustrated by Rờng Phạm & Vinh Nguyễn. **INSIDE THE COMPOST BIN.** Ann Arbor, MI: Tilbury House, 2024.

This picture book gives clear instructions on how and why to use a compost bin.

S 661 .P52 2024

Powers, Julie; Ridge, Sheila Williams. **NATURE-BASED LEARNING FOR YOUNG CHILDREN.** St Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2019.

The authors of this manual, one working in Hawaii and one in Minnesota, offer guidelines, project ideas, and an appendix filled with recommended children's titles and web resources for teachers. From observing birds to making and eating fried dandelions, each project includes tips for communicating with preschooler's families and including all children.

QH 51 .P69 2019

Pranis, Eve; Gifford, Amy. **GROWING VENTURES: STARTING A SCHOOL GARDEN BUSINESS**. South Burlington, VT: National Gardening Association, 2003.

This unique book provides guidance and inspiration to students and teachers who want to learn business-related skills in their school garden. For example, one featured community created a school farmer’s market where students learn math, gardening, and writing skills by producing crops to sell.

SB 55 .P72 2003

Pranis, Eve; Cohen, Joy. **GROWLAB: ACTIVITIES FOR GROWING MINDS.** South Burlington, VT: National Gardening Association, 2009.

The National Gardening Association's curriculum for indoor gardening presents each lesson with an emphasis on observation and problem-solving skills. With activities suggested for K-2, 3-5, and 6-8 grade students, the curriculum offers a range of garden science lessons.

SB 55 .P72 2009

Pranis, Eve; Hale, Jack. **GROWLAB: A COMPLETE GUIDE TO GARDENING IN THE CLASSROOM.** South Burlington, VT: National Gardening Association, 2006.

Completely revised, this new edition gives detailed instructions for classroom gardening, including lighting, troubleshooting, crop selection, and much more.

SB 55 .P72 2006

Pranis, Eve. **SCHOOLYARD MOSAICS: DESIGNING GARDENS AND HABITATS.** Burlington, VT: National Gardening Association, 2002.

A colorful, practical guide to school garden design, this book offers tested, creative themes such as the Rainbow Garden, the Global Garden, and the History Garden.

SB 55 .P72 2002

Pratt, Anne. **THE FIELD, THE GARDEN, AND THE WOODLAND: INTERESTING FACTS RESPECTING FLOWERS AND PLANTS IN GENERAL DESIGNED FOR THE YOUNG.** London: Charles Knight, 1841.

Anyone interested in the history of nature education will want to look at this illustrated tome by making an appointment to visit our Rare Book Room or viewing the digitized version through HathiTrust.

Rare Book Room QK 306 .P72 1841

Princeton School Gardens Cooperative. **GARDEN PLANNING & LESSON PLANS: LINKED TO THE NEW JERSEY STATE STANDARDS FOR K-5.** Princeton, NJ: Princeton School Gardens Cooperative, 2007.

Look for updates to this resource packet on the Princeton School Gardens website. You'll find useful tips here.

SB 55 .P75 2007

Project Learning Tree. **THE CHANGING FOREST: FOREST ECOLOGY** and **EXPLORING ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES: FOCUS ON FORESTS.** Washington, DC: American Forest Foundation, 1996.

Part of the Project Learning Tree environmental education program for secondary students, these two guides contain lesson plans and student pages on forest fires, succession, old-growth forests, and other forest topics.

QH 541.5 .F6 P76 1996 and **QH 541.5 .F6 P76 1996b**

Project Learning Tree. **EXPLORING ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE.** Washington, DC: American Forest Foundation, 1997.

Part of the Project Learning Tree environmental education program for secondary students, this 136-page guide contains lesson plans and student pages on subjects such as recycling, composting, waste-to-energy programs, and hazardous waste storage.

QH 541.2 .P76 1997

Project Learning Tree. **GREENWORKS! CONNECTING COMMUNITY ACTION AND SERVICE-LEARNING.** Washington, DC: American Forest Foundation, 2001.

Part of the Project Learning Tree environmental education program for secondary students, this 64-page guide contains lesson plans and student pages detailing community service project ideas.

QH 51 .P76 2001

Project Learning Tree. **PROJECT LEARNING TREE SUPPLEMENTARY ACTIVITY GUIDE: v. 1, FOR GRADES K THROUGH 6; v.2, FOR GRADES 7 THROUGH 12.** Washington, DC: The American Forest Institute, 1986.

See also Project Wild, described below. Most of these activities incorporate more than one subject area: science with math or social studies with language and health. This style of teaching is as useful now as it was in 1986.

QH 51 .P76 1986 and **QH 51 .P76 1986b**

Project Learning Tree. **PROJECT LEARNING TREE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PRE K-8 ACTIVITY GUIDE.** Washington, DC: The American Forest Institute; 1997.

This 400-page guide provides hands-on, field-tested activities for environmental education. Each activity includes overview information for teachers, specific directions for preparing and presenting the activity, and student pages for photocopying.

QH 51 .P76 1997

Project Wild. **GROWING UP WILD: EXPLORING NATURE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN AGES 3-7.** Houston, TX: Council for Environmental Education, 2014.

Shelved in the oversize section because of its extra-wide shape, this guide for teachers includes lesson ideas and reproducible activity pages.

Map Drawer QH 51 P76 2014

Project Wild. **PROJECT WILD AQUATIC.** Houston, TX: Project Wild, 2004.

Produced by the same method as the Project Wild guides listed below, these are detailed lesson plans for working with K-12 students on water-related issues such as the salmon life cycle, stormwater runoff, and wetland food webs.

QH 541.5 .M3 P76 2004

Project Wild. **PROJECT WILD ACTIVITY GUIDE (K-12)**. Bethesda, MD: Project Wild, 1992.

The Project Wild guides are part of an interdisciplinary environmental and conservation education program emphasizing wildlife, originally sponsored by the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies and the Western Regional Environmental Council. They were designed for teachers but are equally useful for teaching outside the classroom.

QH 51 .P76 1992

Public Garden: The Journal of the American Public Gardens Association. Children's Gardens and Other Youth Programs featured in volume 28, number 3 (2014).
Periodicals

Rafik, Yussef. Illustrated by Holly Astle. **HOW TO BE AN ECO EXPLORER.** London, UK: Moon + Bird, 2025.

Written for ages 8-12, this book includes fresh activities such as building a hibernaculum and a wormery.
QH 51 .R24 2025

Ramirez-Christensen, Esperanza, translator. Illustrated by Tracy Gallup. **MY FIRST BOOK OF HAIKU POEMS: CLASSIC POEMS BY JAPANESE HAIKU MASTERS.**

Twenty early haikus by Basho, Issa, Shiki, and other masters of the form are presented in English, Japanese, and Romaji, along with a dreamy, contemplative full-page illustration for each. Additional text in English offers questions to guide interpretation of the poems as well as facts about the poets and the form.
SB 455 .R26 2019

Raskin, Ben. **COMPOST: A FAMILY GUIDE TO MAKING SOIL FROM SCRAPS.** Boston: Roost Books, 2014.

This engaging guide to compost includes an answer wheel for questions like "Can I compost fish?" as well as a Worm Society membership card and information on soil life.
S 661 .R27 2014

Redleaf, Rhoda. **HEY KIDS! OUT THE DOOR, LET'S EXPLORE.** St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2010.

Useful for parents and guardians as well as teachers, particularly with young children or mixed-age small groups, this guide to nature and community walks offers guidance for making the most of a trip to the park, apple orchard, construction site, nature preserve, or a host of other destinations.
QH 51 .R43 2010

Rein, Mary B., editor. **THE BUDDING GARDENER.** Silver Spring, MD: Gryphon House, 2011.

Formatted like a cookbook, this clever guide gives step-by-step instructions for hundreds of garden-related activities, from building mason bee homes to designing a moon garden.
SB 457 .R45 2011

Rhoades, Diane. **GARDEN CRAFTS FOR KIDS.** New York: Sterling/Lark, 1995.

Permaculture for kids? Yes, indeed! This colorful book declares, "There are as many ways to plant a garden as there are to dance." It covers basic permaculture methods, from soil to harvest and around again, and gives detailed instructions for baking, building, and decorating for and from the garden.
SB 457 .R46 1995

Rice, Elizabeth, Marianne Krasny, and Margaret E. Smith. **GARDEN GENETICS: TEACHING WITH EDIBLE PLANTS: TEACHER EDITION.** Arlington, VA: National Science Teachers Association Press, 2006.

Targeted for high school biology classes, these inquiry-based activities are also suitable for middle school programs. Chapters function individually or as part of a year-long curriculum.
QK 52.55 .R53 2006

Richardson, Beth. **GARDENING WITH CHILDREN**. Newtown, CT: Taunton Press, 1998.

Step-by-step suggestions for planning, planting, and enjoying an organic garden with children.

SB 457 .R75 1998

Rickman, David. **NORTHWEST COAST INDIANS COLORING BOOK.** New York: Dover Publications, 1984.

Want to illustrate the daily life of the Northwest Coast tribes for your students? This classic coloring book, still in print, provides well-researched images ready to color.

QK 98.6 .R52 1984

Ritz, Stephen. With Suzie Boss. **THE POWER OF A PLANT.** New York: Rodale, 2017.

This memoir by the founder of Green Bronx Machine, a teen urban farming program, covers his teaching career from the early 1980s through the present.

SB 55 .R58 2017

Rivkin, Mary S. **THE GREAT OUTDOORS: RESTORING CHILDREN'S RIGHT TO PLAY OUTSIDE.** Washington, DC: National Association for the Education of Young Children, 1995.

A must-read for every adult who works with kids, this thought-provoking book covers the details of designing outdoor play spaces and promoting safe play, along with the philosophical argument for the importance of outdoor play.

QH 541.15 .H86 R58 1995

Robb, Marina, Victoria Mew, and Anna Richardson. **LEARNING WITH NATURE: A HOW-TO GUIDE TO INSPIRING CHILDREN THROUGH OUTDOOR GAMES AND ACTIVITIES.** Cambridge: Green Books, 2015.

This illustrated volume presents a wealth of well-planned activities to support outdoor learning for families as well as in the context of forest schools and park programs. Organized for easy reference, the book offers sections on ice-breaking games, year-round activities, seasonal activities, and survival skills such as shelter-building. The large section on games includes useful recommendations on the number and age of participants.

QH 51 .R63 2015

Roberts, Janet Wier; Huelbig, Carole. **CITY KIDS AND CITY CRITTERS! ACTIVITIES FOR URBAN EXPLORERS.** New York: McGraw-Hill Learning Triangle Press, 1996.

Packed with outdoor teaching tips, worksheets, and games, this activity guide from the Houston Arboretum and Nature Center can help city kids learn about the ecology of their environment.

QH 541.5 .C6 R63 1996

Robertson, Juliet. **MESSY MATHS**. Bancyfelin, Wales, UK: Independent Thinking Press, 2017.

Teachers who recognize mathematics as "an inherent part of being human," as Juliet Robertson states in her introduction, will love the thousands of ideas she presents here for incorporating math education into outdoor learning and play for children aged 3 to 6.

QH 51 .R63 2017

Robertson, Juliet. **DIRTY TEACHING**. Bancyfelin, Wales, UK: Independent Thinking Press, 2014.

A companion volume to MESSY MATHS, this useful book provides insight on thousands of ways teachers can get students aged 6 to 12 learning outdoors. The author provides ideas for overcoming obstacles ranging from concrete playgrounds and worried school administrators to a teacher's own concerns that kids may get cold, injured, or bored outdoors.

QH 51 .R63 2014

Rockwell, Robert E.; Sherwood, Elizabeth A.; Williams, Robert A. **HUG A TREE, AND OTHER THINGS TO DO OUTDOORS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN**. Mt. Rainier, MD: Gryphon House, 1983.

One of the best 1980s books for adults working with children, this title offers creative outdoor activities and includes age-appropriate suggestions. Collecting textures, creepy crawler races, and growing a sock (which teaches one seed dispersal mechanism as well as basic propagation techniques and vocabulary to children as young as three) should all be favorites. Also see the 2008 book SCIENCE ADVENTURES with Elizabeth Sherwood as primary author.

QH 51 .R63 1983

Rosen, Michael J., with 41 children's book authors and illustrators. **DOWN TO EARTH: GARDEN SECRETS! GARDEN STORIES! GARDEN PROJECTS YOU CAN DO!** San Diego: Harcourt Brace & Company, 1998.

What happens when forty-two talented authors and illustrators of children's books share their favorite stories, pictures, crafts, and recipes? A treasure trove that will delight kids, parents, and teachers.

SB 457 .R672 1998

Ross, Michael Elsohn. **PLANTOLOGY: 30 ACTIVITIES AND OBSERVATIONS FOR EXPLORING THE WORLD OF PLANTS.** Chicago: Chicago Review Press, 2019.

The creative plant-based projects in this manual range from making roast potatoes and onions to studying flower shapes and watching for pollinators.

QK 52.55 .R67 2019

Roth, Charles E., et al. **BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: EXPLORATION OF SCHOOLGROUND & BACKYARD.** Lincoln, MA: Massachusetts Audubon Society, 1991.

Looking for lessons for your outdoor classroom? This slim volume contains clever ideas for learning to observe plants, birds, and animals outdoors.

QH 51 .R68 1991

Rowe, Suzanne L. **THE WILD, WILD WORLD OF OLD-GROWTH FORESTS: A TEACHERS' GUIDE.** Washington, DC: The Wilderness Society, 1990.

This 28-page booklet contains lesson plans, activities, and background information on the value of old-growth forests in an easy-to-use format.

QH 541.5 .F6 R69 1990

The Royal Horticultural Society. **READY, STEADY, GROW!** London: DK, 2010.

Produced by the RHS as a benefit, this lavishly illustrated child's guide to gardening is as useful as it is beautiful, with tips and recipes for any size garden, from a backyard to a windowsill.

SB 457 .R69 2010

The Royal Horticultural Society. **HOW DOES MY GARDEN GROW?** London: DK, 2011.

With a similar format to READY, STEADY, GROW! (above), but new and different projects, this garden and kitchen activity book is extremely appealing.

SB 457 .R69 2011

Russo, Monica. Photographs by Kevin Byron. **TREECOLOGY: 30 ACTIVITIES AND OBSERVATIONS FOR EXPLORING THE WORLD OF TREES AND FORESTS.**

Suitable for upper elementary students to read on their own and equally useful for teachers and parents, this guidebook covers forest ecology in detail and offers a number of hands-on projects to reinforce the scientific and conservation messages.

QH 541.5 .F6 2016

Rozakis, Laurie. Illustrated by Bev Armstrong. **CELEBRATE! HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD.** Santa Barbara, CA: The Learning Works, 1993.

Packed with coloring-book style pages, this useful booklet also contains ideas for games and crafts to celebrate a world of holidays (including Chinese New Year, Tet, Carnival, Kuomboka, Noruz, Komodo-No-Hi, Urini Nal, Green Corn Dance, Festa dos Tabulieros, Odwira, Sukkot, Kwanzaa, Fiesta, and Powwow) with children ages five through nine.

SB 449.48 .R69 1993

Sampson, Scott D. **HOW TO RAISE A WILD CHILD**. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2015.

This worthwhile book for parents and teachers proposes simple, achievable solutions for nature deficiency in the lives of kids and teens.

QH 51 .S26 2015

Samston, M.S.D. Illustrated by Ilan Shamir. **A NEW LEAF: IDEAS FOR WRITING, INSPIRED BY TREES**. Fort Collins, CO: Your True Nature, 2002.

Each page presents a fresh writing prompt, such as: "Think about the way a leaf drifts on the air, aimless, yet graceful. When have you been aimless, yet graceful?" or "Imagine the world from a tree's perspective." Beautiful black and white illustrations make this small book a joy to use.

SB 435 .S26 2002

Sands, Ronni; Summer, Willow. **GROWING SUSTAINABLE CHILDREN: A GARDEN TEACHER'S GUIDE.** Lindisfarne Books, 2017.

Steeped in the teachings of Rudolf Steiner, the authors share what they have learned about biodynamic gardening with children and teens from their years of experience in Waldorf education.

SB 453.5 .S26 2017

Santer, Ivor. **GREEN FINGERS AND MUDDY BOOTS: A YEAR IN THE GARDEN FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.** Edinburgh: Floris Books, 2009.

The Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society produced this lovingly illustrated guide to gardening, which includes basic information about plants and how they grow, a month-by-month guide to garden tasks, and a compact disk with thirty-four different activities.

SB 457 .S26 2009

Sarah, Rachel. **FARMING IS FEMALE: TWENTY WOMEN SHAKING UP THE FIELD.** New York: Yellow Jacket, 2025.

What do a goat farmer, a permaculture specialist, a college student who is passionate about water conservation, and the owner of the largest banana plantation in American Samoa have in common? They are all changing the way we feed people, along with many women whose unique contributions to food justice are detailed in this book.

S 494.5 .S8 S27 2025

Sayre, April Pulley. **TOUCH A BUTTERFLY: WILDLIFE GARDENING WITH KIDS.** Boston: Roost, 2013.

Explains how to plant and maintain a wildlife garden that will provide a natural habitat for a variety of small creatures, while enriching children's relationship with nature.

SB 454.3 .W5 S29 2013

Schanzer, Rosalyn. **HOW WE CROSSED THE WEST: THE ADVENTURES OF LEWIS & CLARK.** Washington, DC: National Geographic Society, 2002.

Presented through letters, journals, and colorful illustrations, the adventures of Lewis and Clark come to life for on these pages. Upper elementary students will find the reading level just right.

QK 31 .L49 S32 2002

Scherrer, Wendy. **CELEBRATING WILDFLOWERS: AN EDUCATOR'S GUIDE TO THE APPRECIATION AND CONSERVATION OF NATIVE PLANTS OF WASHINGTON.** Sedro-Woolley, WA: North Cascades Institute, 1996.

This 222-page manual is great resource for local teachers, with everything from suggested field trip locations to games to wildflower ID cards.

QK 192 .W2 S34 1996

Schiller, Pam. **BOUNTIFUL EARTH: 25 SONGS AND OVER 300 ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN.** Beltsville, MD: Gryphon House, 2006.

This CD and book highlight nature-themed music as a teaching tool for math, science, language, art, and pre-reading skills. Designed for kids up to age five, the book includes tips for including children with special needs and children new to English.

QH 51 .S35 2006

Schilling, Vincent. **NATIVE DEFENDERS OF THE ENVIRONMENT.** Summertown, TN: Seventh Generation Native Voices, 2011.

Written especially for young readers, this volume highlighting the varied contributions of eleven Native or First Nations people in environmental justice work is part of the Native Trailblazer Series.

QH 541.15 .H86 S35 2011

Schofield, Jo and Fiona Danks. **RUN WILD! OUTDOOR GAMES AND ADVENTURES.** London: Frances Lincoln, 2011.

Activities featured run the gamut from making living willow structures and woodland costumes to storytelling, tracking, and tag variations. Designed for families as well as educators, this book makes it easy to get kids active outdoors.

QH 55 .D26 2011

SCIENCE FOR CHILDREN: RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS. Washington, DC: National Academy Press, 1988.

A catalogue of recommended curriculum materials for elementary-school teachers in all areas of science.

QK 14.5 .S38 1988

Seidl, Amy. EARLY SPRING: AN ECOLOGIST AND HER CHILDREN WAKE TO A WARMING WORLD. Beacon Press: Boston, 2009.

In the tall shelves with the literature on ecology, this book reminds North Americans that global warming is not just happening at the polar ice caps.

Lending SB 455.5 .S45 2009

Selly, Patty Born. EARLY CHILDHOOD ACTIVITIES FOR A GREENER EARTH. St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2012.

National Science Education Standards join with environmental health and safety goals in this unique book of activities for early childhood education programs.

QH 541.2 .S45 2012

Selly, Patty Born. TEACHING STEM OUTDOORS: ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN. St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2017.

Rather than "experimenting with a new idea," David Sobel's introduction encourages teachers to think of the current push for science, mathematics, engineering, and technology education as "the invigoration of an old idea, like walking to school, helping your neighbor, or eating straight from the garden." Patty Born Selly's chapters reveal how lessons in scientific observation coupled with opportunities to build things and solve problems outdoors can help preschoolers gain essential skills and confidence.

QH 51 .S45 2017

Senisi, Ellen B. BERRY SMUDGES AND LEAF PRINTS: FINDING AND MAKING COLORS FROM NATURE. New York: Dutton Children's Books, 2001.

Color by color, this book teaches kids to seek out and use the brilliance of nature in their art and craft projects.

SB 449.48 .S46 2001

Sheehan, Kathryn; Waidner, Mary. EARTH CHILD 2000. Tulsa, OK: Council Oak Books, 1998.

This thick book offers wonderful ideas for sharing ecology with young children, grouped into broad categories such as "wonders in a garden" and "Earth celebrations throughout the year." It is unique among curriculum guides in being directed to parents and caregivers as well as teachers.

QH 541.2 .S44 1998

Sherwood, Elizabeth; Williams, Robert A.; Rockwell, Robert E. SCIENCE ADVENTURES: NATURE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN. Lewisville, NC: Gryphon House, 2008.

With activities designed for children from three to six, this well-researched and practical guide includes suggestions for inquiry-based outdoor learning. The authors provide tips for including English language learners, involving families, incorporating technology, using museums and parks, and connecting to children with a variety of special needs.

QH 51 .S44 2008

Shuttlesworth, Dorothy Edwards. **EXPLORING NATURE WITH YOUR CHILD.** New York: Greystone Press, 1952.

Despite its age, this thick volume written for parents is invaluable for the *answers* it provides to common and hard-to-research questions such as "How long do goldfish live?" and "Why does bicolor corn have two colors?" It covers not just botany but also animals, bugs, the night sky, and weather.

QH 51 .S58 1952

Sidman, Joyce. Illustrated by Beckie Prange. **SONG OF THE WATER BOATMAN AND OTHER POND POEMS.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2006.

Watercolored woodcuts enliven the pages of this fantastic book, which combines information about wetland plants and animals with art and poetry. Recommended for all ages!

QH 541.5 .M3 S53 2006

Sidman, Joyce. Illustrated by Beckie Prange. **UBIQUITOUS: CELEBRATING NATURE'S SURVIVORS.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2010.

The Caldecott-winning team of Sidman and Prange gives us another masterpiece in this vividly illustrated combination of poetry and prose.

QH 48 .S53 2010

Sidman, Joyce. Illustrated by Rick Allen. **DARK EMPEROR AND OTHER POEMS OF THE NIGHT.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2011.

Linoleum block prints, rhythmic poetry and prose combine in this celebration of the night, which presents facts about nighttime and nocturnal animals along with art and poetry. Highly recommended.

SB 455 .S53 2011

Sidman, Joyce. Illustrated by Rick Allen. **WINTER BEES & OTHER POEMS OF THE COLD.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2011.

Poetry and striking linoleum-print illustrations interweave here with non-fiction text about the winter habits of voles, chickadees, beavers, bees, snakes, and snowflakes, among others.

SB 455 .S53 2014

Singh, Rina. **A FOREST OF STORIES: MAGICAL TREE TALES FROM AROUND THE WORLD.** Cambridge, MA: 2003.

Colorful illustrations enliven this storybook, which includes tales from China, Guatemala, Japan, India, Nigeria, Israel, and Morocco. Teachers and parents can use these stories as entry points for discussions on the importance of trees.

SB 455 .S56 2003

Smith, Marilyn, Ashley Gamell, and Sara Epstein. **THE KID'S GUIDE TO EXPLORING NATURE.** Brooklyn, NY: Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 2014.

Colorful illustrations enliven the pages of this Brooklyn Botanic Garden guide, which acts as a springboard for four seasons of outdoor adventures.

QH 55 .S65 2014

Sobel, David. **BEYOND ECOPHOBIA: RECLAIMING THE HEART IN NATURE EDUCATION.** Great Barrington, MA: Orion Society, 1996.

A slim book in which every word counts, BEYOND ECOPHOBIA delves into child development and makes a case for the importance of spending time in nature early in life, so that we grow up enjoying nature and experience wilderness as more than a distant, troubled place that requires saving. This connection to nature naturally leads to environmental consciousness.
QH 51 .S63 1996

Sobel, David. **CHILDREN'S SPECIAL PLACES: EXPLORING THE ROLE OF FORTS, DENS, AND BUSH HOUSES IN MIDDLE CHILDHOOD.** Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 2002.

Written for teachers, this book explains the psychological and developmental importance of children's special places and shows how to take advantage of children's natural sense of place by incorporating it into the curriculum.
QH 541.15 .H86 S63 2002

Sobel, David. **CHILDHOOD AND NATURE: DESIGN PRINCIPLES FOR EDUCATORS.** Portland, ME: Stenhouse, 2008.

How can educators best prepare students to be environmentally responsible adults who not only love nature, but have insight and curiosity about ecosystems? This collection of essays draws on Sobel's wide-ranging experiences in nature education.
QH 541.15 .H86 S63 2008

Sobel, David. **NATURE PRESCHOOLS AND FOREST KINDERGARTENS: THE HANDBOOK FOR OUTDOOR LEARNING.** St Paul, Minnesota: Redleaf, 2016.

This manual uses photos, dialogue, and stories gathered from fledgling and more established nature preschools around the United States to highlight best practices in curriculum, focus, administration, and funding.
QH 51 .S63 2016

Sobel, David. **PLACE-BASED EDUCATION: CONNECTING CLASSROOMS AND COMMUNITIES.** Great Barrington, MA: Orion, 2013.

Part of the Nature Literacy Series, this Orion Reader explores how educators can adapt their program offerings to include nature education and outdoor, community-based projects.
QH 541.15 .H86 S63 2013

Sobel, David. **THE SKY ABOVE AND THE MUD BELOW.** St. Paul, MN: RedLeaf Press, 2020.

Drawing upon the experience of outdoor early childhood educators from Vermont to California, David Sobel has pulled together lessons on shelter-building, outdoor ABCs, mathematical concepts, dramatic play, and much more. There are inclusion strategies for students new to the English language and intergenerational projects that connect preschoolers with community elders.
QH 51 .S63 2020

Sohi, Morteza E. **LOOK WHAT I DID WITH A LEAF!** New York: Walker, 1993.

Colorful leaf-collage illustrations inspire the reader to discover their inner artist. The text explains how to collect and press leaves, how to set up your workspace, and factors to consider in your designs.
SB 449.48 .S64 1993

Solomon, Susan G. **THE SCIENCE OF PLAY: HOW TO BUILD PLAYGROUNDS THAT ENHANCE CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENT.** Lebanon, NH: University Press of New England, 2014.

Well-written and insightful, this book starts with known elements of children's need for play (including challenge, purpose, independence, nature exploration, and friendship) and makes design recommendations for innovate, sustainable, and welcoming playgrounds.

SB 473.5 .S65 2014

Soussana, Nathalie. **SONGS IN THE SHADE OF THE CASHEW AND COCONUT TREES.** Montreal, Quebec: The Secret Mountain, 2019.

This musical picture book from Montreal publisher The Secret Mountain combines colorful pictures with simplified text, complete lyrics in more than twelve languages translated into English, and 23 songs on a compact disc. It is an invaluable teaching tool!

SB 455 .S68 2019

Spears, Priscilla. **PLANT LESSONS: INTRODUCING CHILDREN TO PLANT FORM AND FUNCTION.** Corvallis, OR: Big Picture Science, 2025.

Vivid photographs illustrate key points in this book of botany lessons for Montessori teachers, which is useful for students of all ages.

QK 52.55 .S74 2025

Starbuck, Sara. **HOLLYHOCKS AND HONEYBEES: GARDEN PROJECTS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN.** St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2002.

Developed in a daycare facility for children ages six months through six years, this guide provides projects for kids ages three through six, many of which can be modified for even younger kids.

SB 55 .S82 2002

Starbuck, Sara; Marla Olthof; Karen Midden. **GARDENING WITH YOUNG CHILDREN: INFANTS THROUGH THIRD GRADE.** St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press, 2014.

Using the first edition as a framework, the authors incorporate new examples from a broader range of gardens in this updated edition. One striking addition: a new chapter on gardening with infants and toddlers.

SB 55 .S82 2014

Starcher, Allison Mia. **GOOD BUGS FOR YOUR GARDEN**. Chapel Hill, NC: Algonquin Books, 1995.

This charming little book is not just for children, but for anyone who wants to learn more about beneficial small creatures in the garden. Each illustrated page brims with information about the life cycle of a particular bug.

SB 931.3 .S82 1995

Stein, Sara. **NOAH'S CHILDREN: RESTORING THE ECOLOGY OF CHILDHOOD.** New York: North Point Press, 2001.

These insightful musings on nature and human nature inspire us to find time for outdoor work and play with our children. Sara Stein also wrote **NOAH'S GARDEN.**

QH 541.15 .H86 S84 2001

Stine, Sharon. **LANDSCAPES FOR LEARNING: CREATING OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENTS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH.** New York: Wiley, 1997.

In clear and persuasive language, Stine explores children's need for outdoor play and what features of spaces work well for a variety of age groups. Published in 1997, this is a seminal work on the topic.

SB 473.5 .S85 1997

Stone, Brandy. **GARDENING FOR KIDS: LEARN, GROW AND GET MESSY WITH FUN S.T.E.A.M PROJECTS.** Emeryville, CA: Rockridge, 2020.

Written for kids but useful for parents and teachers, too, this book teaches readers to "assemble a team of garden superheroes" (welcome insects), build a mini-greenhouse, make jam, and more.

SB 324 .S86 2020

Stone, Michael K.; Barlow, Zenobia (editors). **ECOLOGICAL LITERACY: EDUCATING OUR CHILDREN FOR A SUSTAINABLE WORLD.** San Francisco, CA: Sierra Club Books, 2005.

How can we improve the education system ecological sustainability in mind? What can individuals do to steer such a large and complex process? We do not know for sure. As Donella Meadows points out in her essay entitled 'Dancing with Systems', "The thing to do, when you don't know, is not to bluff and not to freeze, but to learn." Readers can learn from Alice Waters ('Fast-Food Values and Slow Food Values'), Dana Lanza ('Tapping the Well of Urban Youth Activism: Literacy for Environmental Justice'), Marilyn Briggs ('Rethinking School Lunch'), and other contributors.

QH 541.2 .S86 2005

Striniste, Nancy. **NATURE PLAY AT HOME: CREATING OUTDOOR SPACES THAT CONNECT CHILDREN WITH THE NATURAL WORLD.** Portland, OR: Timber Press, 2019.

Garden designers and families will be inspired and educated by this illustrated guide to creating outdoor environments ideal for children's development, including watercourses, slides, edible plants, materials for shelter-building, movable parts for pretend play, swings, labyrinths, climbing areas, and more.

SB 55 .S87 2019

Sunset editors. **CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS**. Menlo Park, CA: Sunset Books, 1998.

Here you will find safety guidelines, building instructions, and plans for 25 projects (from sandbox to miniature cottage).

SB 473.5 .S86 1998

Sykes, Rachel. **EDIBLE GARDENS IN SCHOOLS: A GROWING GUIDE FOR TEACHERS.** Crediton, Devon, UK: Southgate. 2006.

This seasonally organized set of lesson plans from the United Kingdom (some developed in New Zealand) contains a CD of reproducible resources to help teachers work with students between 7 and 11 on seed saving, vegetable growing, composting, and much more.

SB 55 .S9 2006

Tai, Lolly, et al. **DESIGNING OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENTS FOR CHILDREN: LANDSCAPING SCHOOLYARDS, GARDENS, AND PLAYGROUNDS.** New York: McGraw-Hill, 2006.

This textbook offers case studies, maps, and photos illustrating the theory and practice of creating children's gardens.

SB 55 .T25 2006

Tai, Lolly. **THE MAGIC OF CHILDREN'S GARDENS: INSPIRING THROUGH CREATIVE DESIGN.** Philadelphia: Temple University, 2017.

Case studies, maps, and photos illustrate this textbook, which covers recent developments in the design of children's gardens.

SB 55 .T25 2017

Tallamy, Douglas W. **NATURE'S BEST HOPE: HOW YOU CAN SAVE THE WORLD IN YOUR OWN YARD.** Portland, OR: Timber Press, 2023.

The author encourages young readers to create what he calls a Homegrown National Park: a network of small native plant gardens that support pollinators, birds, and amphibians. Parents and teachers may want to read the 2019 title for adults while the young ones in their lives read this young readers' edition.

SB 455.4 .T25 2023

Talmage, Ellen. **UNEARTHING GARDEN MYSTERIES: EXPERIMENTS FOR KIDS.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 2000.

Directed at kids but produced with the National Science Education Standards in mind, this kid-sized book explores soil, fungi, butterfly gardening, and much more. It will be useful in the classroom or at home.

QH 55 .T25 2000

Tandon, Pooja Sarin ; Glassy, Danette Swanson. **DIGGING INTO NATURE.** Itasca, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics, 2025.

Full of ideas for increasing and enriching your family's time out in nature, this book by two Seattle pediatricians is inspiring and practical.

QH 51 .T26 2025

Tidd, Rachel. **WILD LEARNING: PRACTICAL IDEAS TO BRING TEACHING OUTDOORS.** Hoboken, NJ: Jossey-Bass/Wiley, 2023.

Ranging from math activities in the schoolyard to writing projects based on students' miniature houses made of sticks and stones, this is a book filled with inspiration for teachers.

QH 51 .T53 2023

Tilgner, Linda. **LET'S GROW! 72 GARDENING ADVENTURES WITH CHILDREN**. Pownal, VT: Storey Communications, 1988.

Divided by age groupings but ideal for whole families, these projects consist of practical contributions to the garden, including making manure tea, creating scarecrows, and starting an earthworm colony.

SB 457 .T55 1988

Tornio, Stacy. **THE KIDS' OUTDOOR ADVENTURE BOOK.** Essex, CT: Falcon Guides, 2013.

Kids can make leaf prints, listen to night sounds, find snakes sunning, write a nature haiku, and much more with this outdoor adventure guide.

QH 51 .T67 2013

Tornio, Stacy. **PROJECT GARDEN.** Avon, MA: Adams Media, 2013.

Families can refer to this book month by month to find seasonal projects for the garden, including crafts, cooking, planting, and harvesting.

SB 457 .T67 2012

TREES & LEAVES: CD-ROM & BOOK. Mineola, NY: Dover, 2004.

These are beautiful, detailed, permission-free line drawings of twigs, flowers, cones, and trees from apple to yew. Includes scientific names of the trees for more certain identification.

SB 435 .D68 2004

VanCleave, Janice. **JANICE VANCLEAVE'S PLANTS: MIND-BOGGLING EXPERIMENTS YOU CAN TURN INTO SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS.** New York: Wiley, 1997.

Here you will find twenty fun, simple experiments on such topics as how grass stems grow, germination of pinto beans, and the movement of water through leaves. Aimed at ages 8-12, the projects are inexpensive and fun.

QH 55 .V26 1997

Wallace, Marianne D. **AMERICA'S FORESTS.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 2009.

Fun for the whole family, this picture book covers all the forests of North America, from tropical rain forests to boreal forests.

QH 541.5 .F6 W25 2009

Wallace, Marianne D. **AMERICA'S PRAIRIES AND GRASSLANDS.** Golden, CO: Fulcrum, 2001.

Colorful, detailed illustrations and descriptions introduce the plants and animals of vernal pools, four types of prairies, and two types of grasslands.

QH 541.5 .P7 W25 2001

Walmsley, Naomi; Westall, Dan. **FOREST SCHOOL ADVENTURE: OUTDOOR SKILLS AND PLAY FOR CHILDREN.** Lewes, UK: Guild of Master Craftsman Publications, 2018.

Forest school teachers and outdoorsy families will love this collection of things to do, make and learn in nature, including natural sculptures, useful knots, shelters, campfire cooking, and more.

QH 51 .W25 2018

Walsh, Prue. **EARLY CHILDHOOD PLAYGROUNDS: PLANNING AND OUTSIDE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT.** Abingdon, UK: Routledge, 2016.

Originally published in 1988 but newly updated, this guide covers the importance of outdoor play, design considerations for preschool play spaces, and sample playground plans. A chapter on playgrounds for children with special needs is particularly useful.

SB 55 .W25 2016

Walters, Martin; Holme, Merilyn. **ECOLOGY AND PLANT LIFE: A PRENTICE HALL ILLUSTRATED DICTIONARY**. New York: Prentice Hall, 1993.

Useful for beginning students of all ages, definitions are simple and clear with each term used in a sentence. Color drawings accompany most entries.

QK 9 .I38 1993

Warden, Claire. **LEARNING WITH NATURE: EMBEDDING OUTDOOR PRACTICE.** London: SAGE Publications, 2015.

Using schematic diagrams backed up by case studies, this outdoor learning guide gives educators tools to reflect on their methods and the physical elements of their programs to enhance students' opportunities.

QH 51 .W27 2015

Warden, Claire. **NURTURE THROUGH NATURE: WORKING WITH CHILDREN UNDER 3 IN OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENTS.** Auchterarder, Scotland: Mindstretchers, 2012.

This unusual photo-illustrated softcover manual assists preschool and daycare administrators and staff in understanding the importance of outdoor play in early childhood and gives suggestions (some of them unconventional) for making outdoor play a reality for children under 3.

QH 51 .W27 2012

Washington Forest Protection Association. **FORESTS OF WASHINGTON: FOREST ECOSYSTEMS AND PEOPLE: ACTIVITY GUIDE GRADES 4-9.** Olympia, WA: Environmental Education About Forests, 1993.

This ring-bound guide provides locally produced lesson plans ideal for teaching students to recognize, appreciate, and respect the trees in our forests, preparing them to make sound decisions about their own impacts on the environment.

QH 541.5 .F6 W27 1993

The Watercourse. **WOW! THE WONDERS OF WETLANDS: AN EDUCATOR'S GUIDE.** St. Michaels, MD: Environmental Concern Inc.; Bozeman, MT: The Watercourse, 1995.

Wow is right! The first quarter of this 330-page manual is a textbook for educators, allowing them to familiarize themselves with the essential functions of wetlands. Then the activities begin: 250 pages of activities, aimed at different age levels, with many adaptable to various age groups. The ideas are novel and fun, from building a model watershed to making a "Kid Key," which teaches plant identification terminology and keying methods through an interpersonal game.

QH 541.5 .M3 E68 1995

Waters, Alice. **EDIBLE SCHOOLYARD: A UNIVERSAL IDEA.** San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2008.

In this inspirational and beautifully illustrated book, Alice Waters shares the history of the school garden-grown lunch program she helped to establish at Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School in Berkeley, California.

SB 55 .W28 2008

Wernert, Susan J., editor. **READER'S DIGEST NORTH AMERICAN WILDLIFE: AN ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO 2,000 PLANTS AND ANIMALS**. Pleasantville, NY: Reader's Digest Association, c. 1982 (2007 printing).

Colorful illustrations and details about the natural history of plants, animals, and fungi, this 559-page book will help parents and teachers answer those wonderful what-is-it questions.
QH 55 .W47 1982

White, Jennifer M., et al. **MATH IN THE GARDEN: HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES THAT BRING MATH TO LIFE.** Burlington, VT: National Gardening Association, 2006.

Developed for ages five to thirteen, these are fantastic activities, and many of them can be done without a garden handy. For instance, kids can estimate how many seeds are in a tomato and then count them to check their estimate, or measure the perimeter of leaves.
SB 55 .W45 2006

Wild, Ailsa. Illustrated by Aviva Reed. **THE FOREST IN THE TREE: HOW FUNGI SHAPE THE EARTH.** Clayton South, Australia: CSIRO, 2020.

Looking for more detail on how mycorrhizal fungi and plants benefit one another? This science story shows and tells all, using cacao trees and *Glomus* fungi as examples.
SB 353 .W55 2020

Williams, Dilafruz R.; Brown, Jonathan D. **LEARNING GARDENS AND SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION: BRINGING LIFE TO SCHOOLS AND SCHOOLS TO LIFE.** New York: Routledge, 2012.

This book cites work and research from the Portland area, demonstrating the power of school gardens in revitalizing teaching and learning.
SB 55 .W55 2012

Williams, Dora. **GARDENS AND THEIR MEANING.** Boston: Ginn and Company, 1911.

This 1911 gardening guide for teachers offers a fascinating glimpse into the history of children's gardens.
SB 457 .W55 1911

Williams, Molly. Illustrated by Michelle Carlos. **THE JUNIOR PLANT LOVER'S HANDBOOK: A GREEN-THUMB GUIDE FOR KIDS.** New York: Running Press Kids, 2025.

Young plant lovers can learn about epiphytes, cacti, microgreens, orchids and more plants that just about anyone can grow at home.
SB 419 .W55 2025

Williams, Rachel. Illustrated by Freya Hartas. **SLOW DOWN: 50 MINDFUL MOMENTS IN NATURE.** New York: Magic Cat, 2020.

Would you like to watch moss soak up rain? Hear a woodpecker make a hole in a tree? Observe a flock of Canada geese taking flight? This book describes and illustrates these moments in nature along with forty-seven others.
QH 55 .W55 2020

Willison, Julia. **EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: GUIDELINES FOR ACTION IN BOTANIC GARDENS.** Richmond, Surrey, UK: Botanic Gardens Conservation International, 2006.

This is a 25-page guidebook made for botanic garden education managers as well as schools, colleges, and community groups who use botanic gardens for education. It gives ideas and tips for incorporating sustainability into lesson plans and projects.

SB 464 .W55 2006

Willison, Julia. **ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION IN BOTANIC GARDENS: GUIDELINES FOR DEVELOPING INDIVIDUAL STRATEGIES.** Richmond, Surrey, UK: Botanic Gardens Conservation International, 1994.

This precursor to the item listed above goes into more detail about specific education projects undertaken by the New York Botanical Garden, The Royal Tasmanian Botanic Gardens, the Chicago Botanic Garden, and other member organizations of Botanic Gardens Conservation International.

SB 464 .W55 1994

Wilson, Mark. **THE SNOWY OWL SCIENTIST.** Boston: Clarion Books, 2022.

Go into the field with researcher Denver Holt to study snowy owl nests near the arctic town of Utqiagvik. Working on Native land, Holt photographs, counts, and tracks the flights of individual birds and monitors the population of lemmings, their main food source. Both species are threatened by climate change.

QL 696 .S83 W55 2022

Wilson, Ruth. **LEARNING IS IN BLOOM.** Lewisville, NC: Gryphon House, 2016.

This is an important book on early childhood and also a practical one for teachers and others who want to be sure the young ones in their care have a chance to play in nature and learn from the wonders they will discover there. The author grounds her work in a respectful ethos of taking time to listen to children and kindly guiding by example.

QH 541.2 .W55 2016

Wilson, Ruth. **NATURALLY INCLUSIVE: ENGAGING CHILDREN OF ALL ABILITIES OUTDOORS.** Lewisville, NC: Gryphon House, 2022.

Using examples from The New Mexico School for the Deaf, Play Frontier in rural Washington state, The Care Farm in New Hampshire, the Morton Arboretum Children's Garden, Wilderkids Urban Forest School in Missouri, and other outdoor spaces for young people around the world, Ruth Wilson explores the potential benefits of time in nature for children with special needs.

QH 541.2 .W55 2022

Wilson, Ruth. **NATURE AND YOUNG CHILDREN.** London: Routledge, 2018.

Thought-provoking and insightful, this teacher's guide to outdoor time is not full of pictures or lesson plans. Instead, it explains the philosophy behind outdoor learning and gives practical guidelines for improving outdoor learning.

QH 541.2 .W55 2018

Wise, Tigger. **GARDENS FOR CHILDREN**. Kenthurst, Australia: Kangaroo Press, 1986.

A fun and imaginative guide to planning a garden where children can play, learn, and explore.

SB 457 .W57 1986

Wohlleben, Peter. Adapted by Fred Bernard. Illustrated by Benjamine Flao. Translated by David Warriner. **THE HIDDEN LIFE OF TREES: A GRAPHIC ADAPTATION.** Vancouver, BC: David Suzuki Institute, 2024.

In this large-format graphical adaptation of Peter Wohlleben's life and work, readers follow him as he explores forests and shares their secrets.

QH 541.5 .F6 W64 2024

Wohlleben, Peter. **CAN YOU HEAR THE TREES TALKING? DISCOVERING THE HIDDEN LIFE OF THE FOREST.**

Billed as a "young readers' edition of the *New York Times* bestseller *The Hidden Life of Trees*," this large-format book draws on the author's quarter-century of experience leading children in forest tours.

QH 541.5 .F6 W64 2020

Wohlleben, Peter. **WHAT'S WILD OUTSIDE YOUR DOOR? DISCOVERING NATURE IN THE CITY.** Vancouver, BC: Greystone, 2023.

Translated from the German, this attractive book includes directions for making a home herbarium, studying slime molds, growing radishes, and more.

QH 51 .W64 2023

Woods, Isabella. **GARDENING FOR KIDS: AN EASY STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO GROWING FRUITS, VEGETABLES, AND FLOWERS WITH YOUR CHILDREN.** Columbia, South Carolina: J.C. Hordijk Limited, 2022.

The author of this book calls herself "The Garden Architect," so it makes sense that this book lays out plans for creating a learning garden at home, one where kids and parents can enjoy productive time together.

SB 456 .W66 2022

Wright, Sally **GARDENING: A NEW WORLD FOR CHILDREN**. New York: Macmillan, 1957.

An older book, but a useful one, filled with project suggestions using plants and processes kids have loved for generations. You will find tips on teaching such skills as plant propagation, flower arranging, and leaf printing to interested children of any age.

SB 457 .W7 1957

Yale, Kathleen. Illustrated by Kaley McKean. **HOWL LIKE A WOLF!: LEARN TO THINK, MOVE, AND ACT LIKE 15 AMAZING ANIMALS.** North Adams, MA: Storey Publishing, 2018.

In this colorful and original book, kids can learn to see like a bat, squeeze like an octopus, engineer like a beaver, graze like a deer, and much more.

QL 49 .Y25 2018

Yoda, Hideki. **THE MANGA GUIDE TO ORGANIC VEGETABLE GARDENING: DETAILED TIPS FOR GROWING 50 TYPES OF VEGETABLES, FRUITS, AND HERBS.** North Clarendon, VT: Tuttle, 2025.

Parents, teachers, and anyone who would like to learn to grow a variety of edible plants from stevia to sweet potatoes will enjoy this illustrated garden guide.

SB 321 .Y63 2025

Young, Paul; Giuffré, Jacquelyn. **THE BOTANY COLORING BOOK.** New York: HarperCollins, 1982.

Not just a coloring book, but a detailed text explaining terms and processes from meiosis to the vascular cambium—with helpful line drawings for the botany student who is a visual learner. Find it available for lending in the tall shelves.

Tall Shelves QK 50 .Y68 1982

Zachos, Ellen. **DOWN & DIRTY: 43 FUN & FUNKY FIRST-TIME PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES TO GET YOU GARDENING.** North Adams, MA: Storey, 2007.

Shelved in the tall shelves, this no-experience-required guide is meant for individual adults or families who want to add gardening to their lives. Projects include planting bulbs, growing strawberries, sensory gardens, and wildlife gardens.

Tall Shelves SB 453 .Z23 2007

Zwinger, Ann, et al. **INTO THE FIELD: A GUIDE TO LOCALLY FOCUSED TEACHING**. Great Barrington, MA: Orion Society, 1996.

This slim volume offers suggestions for teaching through nature journals, role playing, and reading the landscape.

QH 51 .Z95 1996

FIELD GUIDES

COMPREHENSIVE

Alden, Peter; Paulson, Dennis. **NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY FIELD GUIDE TO THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.** New York: Knopf, 1998.

This illustrated guide covers everything from wooly pussytoes to the black petaltail.

Field Guide

Becker, Jessica. **LITTLE FEET HIKING: 25 CONFIDENCE-BUILDING HIKES FOR LITTLE KIDS AROUND VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON.** Las Vegas, NV: self-published, 2018.

Have you ever explored southwest Washington? If you would like to, explore the all-ages hikes recommended here, including the Volcano View Trail near Ape Cave, June Lake near Mount St. Helens, and the Steigerwald National Wildlife Refuge on the Columbia River Gorge.

Field Guide

Becker, Jessica. **LITTLE FEET HIKING TWO: 30 MORE HIKES FOR KIDS AROUND SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON AND MT. ST. HELENS.**

Here are thirty more beautiful hikes that families with young children can enjoy all over Southwest Washington. Want to visit a small lake in a volcanic crater? Try the Battleground Lake Loop!

Field Guide

Brower, Felicia. Illustrated by Nicole LaRue. **A KID'S GUIDE TO BACKYARD TREES.** Kaysville, UT: Gibbs Smith, 2025.

Nicole LaRue's bright, bold illustrations will help kids and families learn to recognize dozens of commonly-seen trees.

Field Guide

Chasan, Daniel Jack. **THE SMITHSONIAN GUIDES TO NATURAL AMERICA: THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.** Washington, DC: Smithsonian, 1995.

Not a traditional field guide, this useful book covers a variety of Pacific Northwest locations and what to see there.

Field Guide

Daniels, Jaret C. **POLLINATORS AND NATIVE PLANTS FOR KIDS: AN INTRODUCTION TO BOTANY.** Cambridge, MN: Adventure Publications, 2025.

Covering North America generally, this pocket-size guide helps beginning botanists identify columbine, iris, plum, sumac, and many other widespread plants that support pollinators.

Field Guide

Dion, Mark. **FIELD GUIDE TO THE WILDLIFE OF MARK DION'S SEATTLE VIVARIUM.** Seattle: Olympic Sculpture Park (Seattle Art Museum), 2007.

This booklet details the many plants and animals living on and around nurse logs and provides information about influential naturalists and the Vivarium project.

Field Guide

Elderkin, Susan. **BEST HIKES WITH KIDS: WESTERN WASHINGTON.** Seattle: Mountaineers Books, 2018.

Seattle's own Mountaineers Books published this superb guide. It offers 125 easy hikes all over Western Washington, from Catherine Creek on the Columbia Gorge to Lake Whatcom Park's Hertz Trail, and from the Lake Ozette Trail on the Olympic Peninsula to the Ginkgo Petrified Forest near Vantage. The guide includes in-city hikes, including the Waterfront Trail at the Washington Park Arboretum.

Field Guide

Gorton, Wendy. **50 HIKES WITH KIDS: OREGON & WASHINGTON.** Portland, Oregon: Timber Press, 2018.

Any family taking a road trip in the Pacific Northwest will be eager to use the suggestions offered here, from an easy hot springs hike at Paulina Lake in Oregon to a scavenger hunt for driftwood at Ebey's Landing on Whidbey Island.

Field Guide

Izaak Walton League of America. **A VOLUNTEER MONITOR'S FIELD GUIDE TO AQUATIC MACROINVERTEBRATES.** Gaithersburg, MD: Izaak Walton League, 2003.

One folded sheet with clear pictures of everything from the slender winter stonefly to the scud.

Field Guide

Rothman, Julia. **NATURE ANATOMY.** North Adams, MA: Storey Publishing, 2015.
The hand-drawn illustrations in this wide-ranging guide to the natural world are incredible, clarifying scientific concepts such as field succession, the water cycle, tree anatomy, pond ecology, salmon life cycles, insect metamorphosis, and much more.
Field Guide

Whitney, Stephen. **AUDUBON SOCIETY NATURE GUIDES: WESTERN FORESTS.** New York: Knopf, 1985.
Guide to the life of Western forests, from bear grass to caribou.
Field Guide

MINERALS

Zim, Herbert S. **ROCKS AND MINERALS.** New York: Golden Press, 1957.
The basics of geology, covered in an illustrated format.
Field Guide

NIGHT SKY

Schneider, Howard. **BACKYARD GUIDE TO THE NIGHT SKY.** Washington, DC: National Geographic Society, 2009.
Not just a book of constellations, but a comprehensive resource covering planets, the sun and moon, comets, famous astronomers, equipment, and how to orient oneself at night at any time of the year.
Field Guide

INSECTS AND SPIDERS

Berkowitz, Eliza. Illustrated by Nicole LaRue. **A KID'S GUIDE TO BACKYARD BUGS.** Layton, UT: Gibbs Smith, 2023.
Learn about crickets, katydids, wolf spiders, earthworms, ants, centipedes and more in this lushly illustrated field guide.
Field Guide

Farrand, John, editor. **NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY POCKET GUIDE: FAMILIAR INSECTS AND SPIDERS.** New York: Knopf, 1988.
Color closeups on the right pair with text about each species on the left in this small-format book.
Field Guide

Nikula, Blair; Sones, Jackie; Stokes, Donald & Lillian. **STOKES BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO DRAGONFLIES.** BOSTON: Little, Brown, 2002.
There are an astonishing 435 species of dragonflies and damselflies in North America, and this beautiful little book enables the reader to recognize the 100 most common ones.
Field Guide

Wright, Amy Bartlett. **PETERSON FIRST GUIDE TO CATERPILLARS OF NORTH AMERICA.** Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1993.

Detailed, illustrated answers to the familiar question, "What will this caterpillar grow into?"

Field Guide

BIRDS

Berkowitz, Eliza. Illustrated by Nicole LaRue. **A KID'S GUIDE TO BACKYARD BIRDS.** Layton, UT: Gibbs Smith, 2023.

Learn to recognize robins, red-winged blackbirds, goldfinches, chickadees, vultures and more in this illustrated field guide.

Field Guide

Bologna, Giofranco; Bull, John, editor. **SIMON & SCHUSTER'S GUIDE TO BIRDS OF THE WORLD.**

424 species are described in detail.

Field Guide

DeWitz, Karen. **LOOK AT THAT BIRD! A YOUNG NATURALIST'S GUIDE TO PACIFIC NORTHWEST BIRDING.** Seattle: Little Bigfoot, 2021.

Offering more than just identification tips, this Northwest birding guide provides details about how to choose binoculars, how to recognize wing, tail, and chest feathers found on the ground, how to feed hummingbirds, and much more.

Field Guide

Latimer, Jonathan P. Illustrated by Roger Tory Peterson. **SONGBIRDS.** New York: Houghton Mifflin: 2000.

Drawings, photographs, and text help young naturalists recognize North American songbirds.

Field Guide

National Geographic Society. **FIELD GUIDE TO THE BIRDS OF NORTH AMERICA.** Washington, DC: National Geographic Society, 1987.

A comprehensive guide to North American birds, this paperback features color illustrations and range maps.

Field Guide

Peterson, Roger Tory. **AUDUBON'S BIRDS OF AMERICA.** New York: Abbeville, 1991.

This "baby elephant folio" book measures 4 by 4 1/2 inches and contains 435 pages of illustrations from the work of John James Audubon.

Field Guide

Robbins, Michael **FANDEX FAMILY FIELD GUIDE: BIRDS.** New York: Workman, 1998.

The individually die-cut pages of this fan-style book have a tactile appeal.

Field Guide

Ward, Jennifer. Illustrations by Alexander Vidal. **I LOVE BIRDS: 52 WAYS TO WONDER, WANDER & EXPLORE BIRDS WITH KIDS.** Boulder, CO: Roost Books, 2019.

Not a field guide to species, but a how-to guide for families who are interested in watching birds at any time of the year.

Field Guide

AMPHIBIANS

Showler, David. **FROGS AND TOADS.** New York: St. Martin's Press, 2004.

This Golden Guide covers frogs and toads of the globe.

Field Guide

PLANTS (GENERAL)

Keator, Glenn. **PACIFIC COAST BERRY FINDER.** Berkeley, CA: Nature Study Guide, 1978.

A pocket guide to identifying berries found from British Columbia to California.

Field Guide

Maughan, Simon, editor. **AMERICAN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY GREAT PLANT GUIDE.** New York: DK, 2004.

We recommend this small-format illustrated guide to garden plants.

Field Guide

Varner, Collin. **PLANTS OF THE WEST COAST TRAIL.** Vancouver: Rain Coast Books, 2002.

Hikers will enjoy the clear photos and authoritative text in this pocket guide.

Field Guide

Varner, Collin. **PLANTS OF THE GULF & SAN JUAN ISLANDS AND SOUTHERN VANCOUVER ISLAND.** Vancouver: Rain Coast Books, 2002.

Perfect for a family or class trip!

Field Guide

MOSSES, FERNS, LIVERWORTS, LICHENS, and FUNGI

Hutten, Martin, et al. **101 COMMON MOSSES, LIVERWORTS, & LICHENS OF THE OLYMPIC PENINSULA.** Olympic National Park, WA: National Park Foundation, 2001.

This water-resistant guide is the product of cooperation between Olympic National Park, the National Park Foundation, the Canon Clean Earth Campaign, the Northwest Interpretive Association, and the US Geological Survey.

Field Guide; also, Pacific Northwest SB 433.57 .W2 H88 2001

Keator, Glenn. **PACIFIC COAST FERN FINDER.** Berkeley, CA: Nature Study Guide, 1981.

A pocket guide to identifying ferns and their relatives found from British Columbia to California.

Field Guide

Marrone, Teresa; Parker, Drew. **MUSHROOMS OF THE NORTHWEST: A SIMPLE GUIDE TO COMMON MUSHROOMS.** Cambridge, MN: Adventure Publications, 2019
Mushroom-hunting is more fun with this visual guide.
Field Guide

Shuttleworth, Floyd S. **NON-FLOWERING PLANTS.** New York: Golden, 1967.
Full-color drawings illustrate this pocket guide to ferns, mosses, lichens, and fungi.
Field Guide

Stokoe, W.J.; Rose, Francis. **THE OBSERVER'S BOOK OF FERNS.** London: Warne, 1965.
This British book is tiny but comprehensive.
Field Guide

Thomas, William S. **FIELD BOOK OF COMMON MUSHROOMS.** New York: Putnam's Sons, 1948.
A lesson in history as well as mycology.
Field Guide

Wakefield, Elsie M. **THE OBSERVER'S BOOK OF COMMON FUNGI.** London: Warne, 1958.
Conceived as "a small, inexpensive pocket book" for identifying common mushrooms, this has useful information.
Field Guide

FLOWERS

Clausen, Ruth Rogers. **FANDEX FAMILY FIELD GUIDES: WILDFLOWERS.** New York: Workman, 1999.
Colorful diecut pages make learning fun.
Field Guide

Forey, Pamela; Fitzsimmons, Cecilia. **AN INSTANT GUIDE TO WILDFLOWERS.** New York: Bonanza, 1986.
This pocket guide to North American wildflowers provides a color-coded system for identifying many of the commonest ones.
Field Guide

King, Arthur, compiler. **THE OBSERVER'S BOOK OF GARDEN FLOWERS.** London: Warne, 1957.
This pocket-size guide to garden flowers describes 200 species.
Field Guide

Manning, Harvey. **MOUNTAIN FLOWERS.** Seattle: Mountaineers, 1979.
Organized by habitat and flower color, this book of wildflowers helps identify what you might see on a mountain hike in the Pacific Northwest.
Field Guide

Shuttleworth, Floyd S. et al. **ORCHIDS.** New York: Golden Press, 1989.
Enjoy this pocket guide to orchid species.
Field Guide

Stokoe, W. J., compiler. **THE OBSERVER'S BOOK OF WILD FLOWERS.** London: Warne, 1965.
This is a useful little book, packed with illustrations and lore.
Field Guide

Watts, May Theilgaard. **FLOWER FINDER: A GUIDE TO IDENTIFICATION OF SPRING WILD FLOWERS AND FLOWER FAMILIES.** Berkeley, CA: Nature Study Guild, 1955.
Can you tell your crucifers from your scrophs? This pocket guide is sure to start you out right.
Field Guide

Zim, Herbert. **FLOWERS: A GUIDE TO FAMILIAR AMERICAN WILDFLOWERS.** New York: Simon and Schuster, 1950.
This compact flower guide contains range maps, color illustrations, and recognition characteristics for approximately 200 flowers.
Field Guide

TREES

Aronson, Steven. **FANDEX FAMILY FIELD GUIDE: TREES.** New York: Workman, 1997.
Large die-cut pictures of foliage give this fan-shaped book a striking format.
Field Guide

AUDUBON SOCIETY POCKET GUIDES: FAMILIAR TREES OF NORTH AMERICA: WESTERN REGION. New York: Knopf, 1986.
This photo guide shows foliage and bark for 80 common species.
Field Guide

Brockman, C. Frank. **TREES OF NORTH AMERICA.** New York: Golden Press, 1986.
Over 500 tree species appear in this illustrated guide.
Field Guide

Lawrence, Eleanor; Fitzsimmons, Cecilia. **AN INSTANT GUIDE TO TREES.** New York: Bonanza, 1985.
Can you tell your redwood from your tamarack? This pocket guide will help you correctly identify about two hundred common trees.
Field Guide

Watts, May Theilgaard. **WINTER TREE FINDER.** Berkeley, CA: Nature Study Guild, 1970.
This unique guide helps readers identify common deciduous trees by their winter twigs.
Field Guide

Watts, Tom. **PACIFIC COAST TREE FINDER.** Berkeley, CA: Nature Study Guild, 1973.
This handy West Coast tree ID booklet includes maps.
Field Guide

Zim, Herbert. **TREES: A GOLDEN GUIDE.** New York: Golden Press, 1987.
Shorter and simpler than TREES OF NORTH AMERICA, this was published around the same time by the same company.
Field Guide

WEBSITES

University of Washington Botanic Gardens education for school groups, youth, and families
https://botanicgardens.uw.edu/education/youth-family/

Duwamish Infrastructure Restoration Training (DIRT Corps)
https://www.seattleparksfoundation.org/project/duwamish-infrastructure-restoration-training-dirt-corps/
https://www.thedirtcorps.com/

Duwamish Valley Youth Corps
https://www.drcc.org/duwamish-valley-youth-corps

Kruckeberg Botanic Garden kids programs and coloring pages
https://www.kruckeberg.org/kids-only/
https://www.kruckeberg.org/coloring-pages/

King County Master Gardeners teaching kits and educational resources
https://extension.wsu.edu/king/mg-home/educational-outreach/youth-gardening

Tilth Alliance programs for kids and families
https://tilthalliance.org/our-work/youth-families/

Tilth Alliance Rainier Beach Youth Stewards
https://tilthalliance.org/our-work/environmental-stewardship/rainier-beach-youth-stewards/

Seattle Urban Food Systems Program
https://www.seattle.gov/parks/about-us/special-initiatives-and-programs/urban-food-systems-program

Food Empowerment Education and Sustainability Team
https://feestseattle.org/

Seattle PlayGarden
https://seattleplaygarden.org/

Color Me PhD botany-themed coloring pages from UW's Dr. Julie Rorrer
https://www.colormephd.org/coloring-pages/fun-at-home
https://www.colormephd.org/coloring-pages/history-making-scientists

Oxbow Farm and Conservation Center education programs (Carnation, Washington)
https://www.oxbow.org/education/

EarthGen (formerly Washington Green Schools)
https://earthgenwa.org/

Washington State Farm to School program
https://www.farmtoschool.org/our-network/washington

Washington Native Plant Society Education Activities and Resources
https://www.wnps.org/education

GRuB youth programs (Olympia-based)
https://goodgrub.org/youth/

Read-a-Rama (booklists and more)
https://www.read-a-rama.org/

Common Threads Farm (a Whatcom County garden education nonprofit)
https://commonthreadsfarm.org/

Islandwood Education Programs
https://islandwood.org/education-programs/

FoodCorps (a Portland-based garden and nutrition education nonprofit)
https://foodcorps.org/

Growing Gardens (a Portland-based school and community garden education nonprofit)
https://www.growing-gardens.org/

Evergreen Brick Works (a sustainable development organization in Canada)
https://www.evergreen.ca/projects/canadas-first-climate-ready-school/

Plant Heroes (American Public Gardens Association free curriculum in English/Spanish/Chinese)
https://plantheroes.org/

Climate Lit (youth book lists and climate literacy resources from the University of Minnesota)
https://www.climatelit.org/literature-database/

National Farm to School Network
https://www.farmtoschool.org/

Big Green (a US-based learning garden organization)
https://biggreen.org/curriculumandactivities/

Michigan State University's guide to digitized source materials on school gardening in the early 1900s
https://libguides.lib.msu.edu/SchoolGardens

Green Schoolyards America
https://greenschoolyards.org

The Edible Schoolyard
https://www.edibleschoolyard.org/

The Food Project (a Massachusetts-based organization)
https://thefoodproject.org/resources/activities/

Junior Master Gardener Online
https://www.jmgkids.us/

American Society of Plant Biologists (K-12 education resources, including some in Arabic, Farsi, Spanish Chinese, Korean, German and additional languages)
https://aspb.org/education-outreach/k12-roots-and-shoots/

Water Kids from the Water Education Foundation (posters and other resources in English, Spanish, Chinese, Turkish, and other languages)
https://www.watereducation.org/water-kids

Kids Gardening (from the National Gardening Association)
https://kidsgardening.org/

Backyard Nature (by naturalist Jim Conrad)
https://www.backyardnature.net/index.html

The Great Plant Escape (in English or Spanish, from University of Illinois Extension)
https://web.extension.illinois.edu/gpe/gpe.html

Life Lab
https://www.lifelab.org/about
https://www.lifelab.org/school-garden-resources

Project Learning Tree activities for families
https://www.plt.org/activities-for-families/

United States Botanic Garden greenhouse manual
https://www.usbg.gov/greenhousemanual

National Science Teaching Association
https://my.nsta.org/search?q=plants

Jane Goodall's Roots and Shoots
https://www.rootsandshoots.org/for-educators/learn-at-home/

Using Plants to Bridge the Generations (published by Cornell University Extension)
https://ecommons.cornell.edu/handle/1813/3629

The Children & Nature Network (a non-profit based in New Mexico)
https://www.childrenandnature.org/

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