

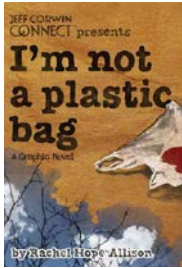
# EcoReads



## A Select List of **Brown County Library Children's Books** (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Middle School)

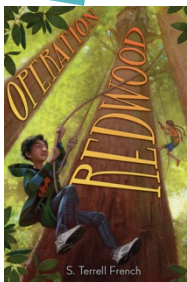
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### Fiction



#### [Chomp/Flush/Hoot/Scat](#) by Carl Hiaasen (G4-8)

Carl Hiaasen's quirky quartet of eco-thrillers will win over tween readers with their mix of often reluctant, but driven, young activists who take on greedy bad guys in a quest to save threatened wildlife. Hiaasen's first foray into children's novels, [Hoot](#), features a ragtag trio of middle-schoolers on a quest to protect owls whose burrowing site is home to a future restaurant chain. [Flush](#) focuses on one boy's quest to prove that a steamboat belonging to a corrupt casino is dumping raw sewage into the Florida Keys. [Scat](#) stars Nick and Marta, classmates who investigate the mysterious disappearance of their biology teacher but soon find themselves literally "swamped" in the everglades, with nefarious oil riggers hot on their heels. Last but not least, [Chomp](#) takes a bite out of reality TV nature survival shows when Wahoo, son of a wildlife wrangler, tries to rein in the chaos on the out of control set of "Expedition Survival." As is the rule in Hiaasen's world knowledge is power, but at the same time knowing too much can get you into deep trouble. These popular and empowering titles mix environmentalism, mystery, and madcap adventure into an intriguing snare to trap readers ages 10 and up.



#### [Companions Quartet](#) (series) by Julia Golding (G4-7)

#### [The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate](#) by Jacqueline Kelly (G4-8)

#### [Fiendish Deeds](#) by P.J. Bracegirdle (G5-7)

#### [Going Green](#) by Christine Pakkala (G2-4)

#### [Here Where the Sunbeams are Green](#) by Helen Phillips (G4-7)

#### [I'm Not a Plastic Bag](#) (graphic novel) by Rachel Hope Allison (G3-6)

#### [Judy Moody Saves the World](#) by Megan McDonald (G2-4)

#### [Just Grace Goes Green](#) by Charise Mericle Harper (G2-4)

#### [Lost and Found](#) (graphic novel) by Shaun Tan (G5 and up)

#### [Luz Makes a Splash/Luz Sees the Light](#) by Claudia Davila (G4-7)

#### [My Side of the Mountain](#) by Jean Craighead George (G3-7)

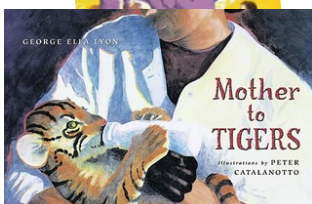
#### [Night of the Spadefoot Toads](#) by Bill Harley (G3-6)

#### [One Day and One Amazing Morning on Orange Street](#) by Joanne Rocklin (G3-6)

#### [One White Dolphin](#) by Gill Lewis (G3-7)

#### [Operation Redwood](#) by S. Terrell French (G4-7)

#### [Ravenwood](#) by Andrew Peters (G5-8)



[Seedfolks](#) by Paul Fleischman (G5 and up)

[Tua and the Elephant](#) by R.P. Harris (G3-6)

[This Journal Belongs to Ratchet](#) by Nancy Cavanaugh (G4-7)

[Wild Recue](#) (series) by Jan Burchett (G3-5)

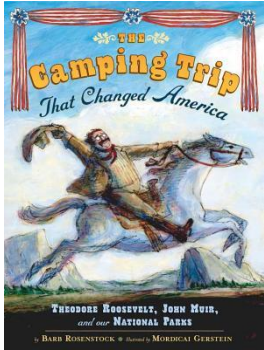
[You Can't Have My Planet, But Take My Brother, Please](#) by James Mihaley (G4-7)

[The Zoo with the Empty Cage](#) by Steven Brezenoff (G3-6)



## Non- Fiction

### Biographies



[The Camping Trip that Changed America](#) by Barb Rosenstock

*When a larger-than-life president Teddy Roosevelt and the skeptical and reserved environmentalist John Muir took a camping trip in May 1903, two unexpected things happened: the unlikely duo became lifelong friends and pen pals, and most importantly, our National Parks were created out of their shared vision. This charismatic picture book captures the personalities of two great men and their idea, shaped under ancient snow-covered sequoias, of a future America where the people owned the wilderness, open for everyone but also preserved for future generations. The natural forces that shaped Yosemite are presented in Muir's spellbinding words, and will be as inspirational to young readers as they were to the president himself in this engaging and educational slice of American history. Ages 7+*

[The Elephant Scientist](#) by Caitlin O'Connell

[For the Birds: The Life of Roger Tory Peterson](#) by Peggy Thomas

[Gaylord Nelson: Champion for Our Earth](#) by Sheila Cohen

[Jane Goodall: Researcher who Champions Chimps](#) by Mike Venezia

[John Muir: America's First Environmentalist](#) by Kathryn Lasky

[Mother to Tigers](#) by George Ella Lyon

[Rachel: The Story of Rachel Carson](#) by Amy Ehrlich

[Things Natural, Wild, and Free: The Life of Aldo Leopold](#) by

Marybeth Lorbiecki

[Who on Earth is Aldo Leopold?](#) by Marty Fletcher

### Important Issues

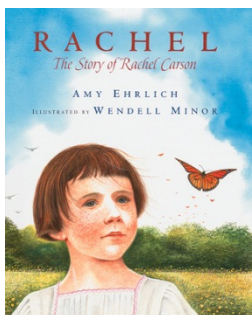
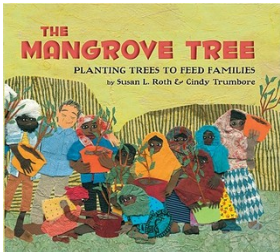
[Biodiversity](#) (series) by Greg Pyers

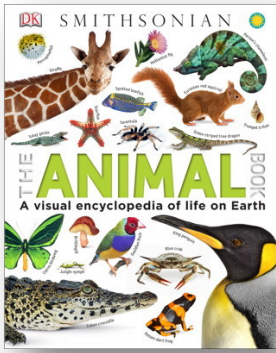
[Caring for Our Earth](#) by Sally Hewitt

[Catch the Wind, Harness the Sun](#) by Michael Caduto

[Climate Change](#) by John Woodward

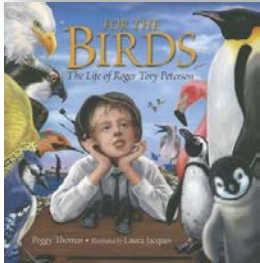
[Earth SOS](#) (series) by Sally Morgan





### [EcoMazes: Twelve Earth Adventures](#) by Roxie Munro

*Where's Waldo* enthusiasts will love Roxie Munro's *EcoMazes*, which takes children on a guided tour through twelve of the world's diverse ecosystems. In this large-format, beautifully illustrated picture book, readers can explore mazes by tracing their fingers on the page through a variety of settings that range from sandy deserts to the frozen tundra. While on their way, children are encouraged to spot a variety of animal species that call these different biomes home (and there are plenty to find – over 350 in all!). A convenient answer key in the back of the book offers additional information about each ecosystem and its inhabitants. Elementary aged children will love poring over the colorful, engaging illustrations of this environmentally-minded combination of visual puzzles.



### [Endangered Planet](#) by David Burnie

### [The Everything Kids' Environment Book](#) by Sheri Amsel

### [Filling the Earth with Trash](#) by Jeanne Sturm

### [Garbage, Waste, Dumps and You: The Disgusting Story of](#)

### [What We Leave Behind](#) by Connie Miller

### [Going Green](#) by David Armentrout

### [I See a Kookaburra!: Discovering Animal Habitats](#) by Steve Jenkins

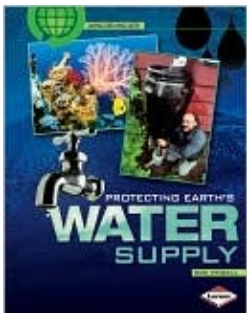
### [If Trees Could Talk: Stories about Wisconsin Trees](#) by Bruce Allison

### [The Magic School Bus and the Climate Challenge](#) by Joanna Cole



### [The Mangrove Tree: Planting Trees to Feed Families](#) by Susan Roth

*While not a celebrity or famous athlete, scientist Dr. Gordon Sato is an unlikely hero for devising a way to grow trees where they could never grow before, starting a chain of events that literally saved a village. Author Susan Roth combines informational text with the structure of a cumulative folk tale to tell how a forest of mangroves created a local economy, provided food for animals and people, empowered women, created a flourishing fishing industry and inspired others to do the same. Illustrator Cindy Trumbore uses stunning textured paper collages to capture the transformation of the Eritrean village of Hargigo, once impoverished and devoid of trees, into a flourishing landscape teeming with fish, birds and livestock. This look at the transformative power of trees, as nourished by the vision of one persistent scientist, deserves to be sung from the treetops. Ages 8+*



### [Oil Spill!: Disaster in the Gulf of Mexico](#) by Elaine Landau

### [One Well: A Story of Water on Earth](#) by Rochelle Strauss

### [Protecting Earth's Land](#) by Valerie Rapp

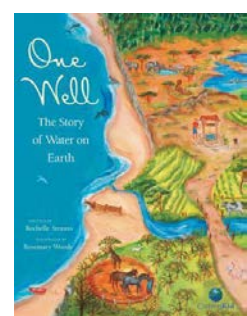
### [Protecting Our Planet](#) (series) by Powerkids Press

### [Rain Forest](#) by Elinor Greenwood

### [Recycling](#) (series) by Kate Walker

### [Saving Our Living Earth](#) (series) by Lerner Publications

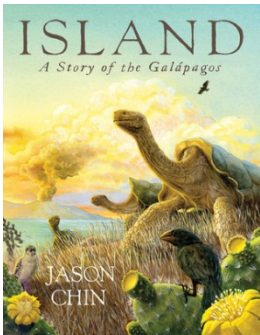
### [True Green Kids: 100 Things You Can Do to Save the Planet](#) by



Kim McKay

[What's that Got to do with Me?](#) (series) by Anthony Lishak

[Your Carbon Footprint](#) (series) by Rosen Central Pub.



## Saving Endangered Animals

[The Animal Book: A Visual Encyclopedia of Life on Earth](#) by David Burnie

[Animals in Danger](#) (series) by Capstone Heinemann Library

[Atlas of Animals](#) by Jinny Johnson

[The Atlas of Endangered Animals](#) by Paula Hammond

[Can We Save the Tiger?](#) by Martin Jenkins

[Endangered Animals](#) by Ben Hoare

[Eye to Eye with Endangered Species](#) (series) by Roarke Pub.

[Face to Face with Animals](#) (series) by National Geographic

[Island: A Story of the Galapagos](#) by Jason Chin

[Living in the Wild: Primates](#) (series) by Heinemann Library

[Parrots Over Puerto Rico](#) by Susan Roth

[Quest for the Tree Kangaroo: An Expedition to the Cloud Forest of New Guinea](#) by Sy Montgomery

[Save Earth's Animals](#) (series) by Marie Allgor

[Saving Endangered Species](#) (series) by Enslow Publishing

[Saving the Ghosts of the Mountain: An Expedition Among](#)

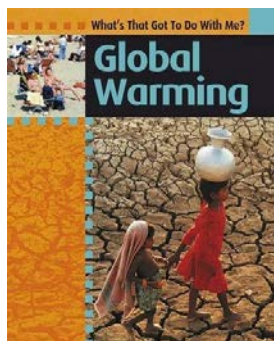
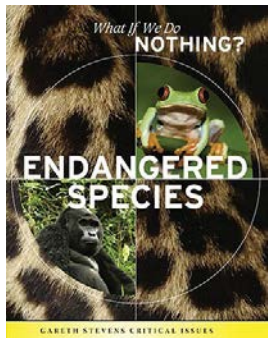
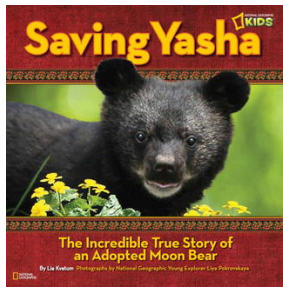
[Snow Leopards in Mongolia](#) by Sy Montgomery

[Saving Yasha: The Incredible True Story of an Adopted Moon Bear](#) by Lia Kvatum

[Tarra and Bella: The Elephant and Dog who Became Best Friends](#) by Carol Buckley

[What if we do Nothing?](#) (series) by Gareth Stevens Pub.

[Waiting for Ice](#) by Sandra Markle



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