

# **Sense of Wonder Bibliography**



**Nature Books for Children  
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National Conservation Training  
Center Conservation Library**

The National Conservation Training Center (NCTC) Conservation Library has developed its various book collections since the Center opened in 1997. Our Children's Environmental Literature Collection includes carefully selected books for pre-school through young adult readers. The text and illustrations engage children as they explore the natural world. These books are selected for their inspirational qualities especially as our children confront an ever-growing, always enticing technological world that often detaches them from nature.

Picture Books are generally for Pre-K through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade  
Books for Older Children for 4<sup>th</sup> grade through young adult

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## **Picture Books**

**Arnosky, Jim. Wolves** / by Jim Arnosky. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic Society, c2001.

Summary: The naturalist author observes the activities of a pack of wolves during the course of one day.

**Asch, Frank. The Earth and I** / Frank Asch. San Diego : Gulliver Books, c1994.

Summary: A child explains how he and the Earth dance and sing together and take turns listening to each other.

**Atkins, Jeannine. Aani and the tree huggers** / Jeannine Atkins ; illustrated by Venantius J. Pinto. New York : Lee & Low ; London : Turnaround, 2000.

**Bash, Barbara. Urban roosts : where birds nest in the city** / Barbara

Bash. San Francisco : Sierra Club Books ; Boston : Little, Brown, c1990.

Summary: Describes the birds that make their homes in the heart of the city. a

**Baylor, Byrd. Everybody needs a rock** / by Byrd Baylor ; with pictures by Peter Parnall. New York, N.Y. : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c1974.

Summary: Describes the qualities to consider in selecting the perfect rock for play and pleasure.

**Bial, Raymond. A handful of dirt** / Raymond Bial. New York : Walker, 2000.

Summary: Discusses the nature and importance of soil and the many forms of life it supports.

**Cannon, Janell. Crickwing** / [written and illustrated by] Janell

Cannon. San Diego : Harcourt, 2000.

Summary: A lonely cockroach named Crickwing has a creative idea that saves the day for the leaf-cutter ants when their fierce forest enemies attack them.

**Cannon, Janell. Stلالuna** / Janell Cannon. San Diego : Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, c1993.

Summary: After she falls headfirst into a bird's nest, a baby bat is raised like a bird until she is reunited with her mother.

**Cannon, Janell. Verdi** / [author and illustrator] Janell Cannon.

San Diego, Calif. : Harcourt Brace, c1997.

Summary: A young python does not want to grow slow and boring like the older snakes he sees in the tropical jungle where he lives.

**Cherry, Lynne. Flute's journey : the life of a wood thrush** / written

and illustrated by Lynne Cherry. San Diego : Harcourt Brace & Co., c1997.

Summary: A young wood thrush makes his first migration from his nesting ground in a forest preserve in Maryland to his winter home in Costa Rica and back again.

**Cherry, Lynne. The great kapok tree : a tale of the Amazon rain forest/** by Lynne Cherry. San Diego : Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, c1990.

Summary: The many different animals that live in a great kapok tree in the Brazilian rainforest try to convince a man with an ax of the importance of not cutting down their home.

**Cherry, Lynne. A river ran wild : an environmental history /** Lynne Cherry. San Diego : Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, c1992.

Summary: An environmental history of the Nashua River, from its discovery by Indians through the polluting years of the Industrial Revolution to the ambitious clean-up that revitalized it.

**Earle, Sylvia A. Hello, fish! : visiting the coral reef /** by Sylvia A. Earle ; with photographs by Wolcott Henry. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic Society, c1999.

Summary: An underwater explorer takes a tour of the ocean and introduces such fish as the damselfish, red lipped batfish, and brown goby.

**Ehlert, Lois. Feathers for lunch /** Lois Ehlert. San Diego : Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, c1990.

Summary: An escaped housecat encounters twelve birds in the back yard but fails to catch any of them and has to eat feathers for lunch.

**Ehlert, Lois. Red leaf, yellow leaf /** Lois Ehlert. San Diego : Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, c1991.

Summary: A child describes the growth of a maple tree from seed to sapling.

**George, Lindsay Barrett. In the woods : who's been here? /** Lindsay Barrett George. New York : Greenwillow Books, c1995.

Summary: A boy and girl in the autumn woods find an empty nest, a cocoon, gnawed bark, and other signs of unseen animals and their activities.

**George, William T. Box Turtle at Long Pond /** pictures by Lindsay Barrett George. New York : Greenwillow Books, c1989.

Summary: On a busy day at Long Pond, Box Turtle searches for food, basks in the sun, and escapes a raccoon.

**Gibbons, Gail. Soaring with the wind : the bald eagle /** Gail Gibbons.

New York : Morrow Junior Books, 1998.

Summary: Describes the characteristics, behavior, and life cycle of the bald eagle.

**Glaser, Linda. Brilliant bees /** by Linda Glaser ; illustrated by Gay W. Holland. Brookfield, Conn. : Millbrook Press, c2003.

Summary: Simple text and illustrations describe the physical characteristics, habits, and life cycle of the honey bee.

**Heller, Ruth. The reason for a flower** / written and illustrated by Ruth Heller. New York : Grosset & Dunlap, c1983.

Summary: Brief text and lavish illustrations explain plant reproduction and the purpose of a flower and present some plants which don't seem to be flowers but are.

**Jenkins, Priscilla Belz. Falcons nest on skyscrapers** / by Priscilla Belz Jenkins ; illustrated by Megan Lloyd. New York, NY : HarperCollinsPublishers, c1996. Series Title: (Let's-read-and-find-out science. Stage 2)

**Jenkins, Steve. What do you do with a tail like this?** / Steve Jenkins & Robin Page. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 2003.

**Kitchen, Bert. And so they build** / by Bert Kitchen. Cambridge, Mass. : Candlewick Press, 1995, c1993.

Summary: Describes, in text and illustrations, twelve animal architects and why and how they build their unusual structures.

**LaMarche, Jim. The raft** / Jim LaMarche. New York : HarperCollins Publishers, 2000.

Summary: Reluctant Nicky spends a wonderful summer with Grandma who introduces him to the joy of rafting down the river near her home and watching the animals along the banks.

**Lasky, Kathryn. She's wearing a dead bird on her head!** / Kathryn Lasky; illustrated by David Catrow. New York : Hyperion Paperbacks for Children, 1997, c1995.

Summary: A fictionalized account of the activities of Harriet Hemenway and Minna Hall, founders of the Massachusetts Audubon Society, a late nineteenth-century Audubon Society that would endure and have impact on the bird-protection movement.

**Lewis, J. Patrick. Swan song : poems of extinction** / by J. Patrick Lewis; woodcuts by Christopher Wormell. Mankato, MN. : Creative Editions, 2003.

Summary: Contains poems about the world's extinct animals.

**Lilly, Kenneth. Kenneth Lilly's animals** / text by Joyce Pope. New York: Lothrop, Lee & Shepard Books, 1988.

Summary: Text and illustrations introduce a variety of animals from different topographical areas around the world.

**Livingston, Myra Cohn. A circle of seasons** / Myra Cohn Livingston, poet; Leonard Everett Fisher, painter. New York : Holiday House, c1982.

Summary: A thirteen-stanza poem following the cycle of the seasons.

**Locker, Thomas. Rachel Carson : preserving a sense of wonder** / [Thomas

Locker & Joseph Bruchac]. Golden, Colo. : Fulcrum Pub., c2004. Series: (Images of conservationists series)

Summary: A biography of Rachel Carson, with some of her own memorable quotes.

**Locker, Thomas. Walking with Henry : based on the life and works of Henry David Thoreau** / by Thomas Locker. Golden, Colo. : Fulcrum Pub., c2002.

Summary: Introduces philosopher, writer, and environmentalist Henry David Thoreau, using selections from his own writings and an imaginary journey into the wilderness.

**Locker, Thomas. Water dance** / Thomas Locker. San Diego, Calif. : Harcourt Brace & Company, c1997.

Summary: Water speaks of its existence in such forms as storm clouds, mist, rainbows, and rivers. Includes factual information on the water cycle.

**Martin, Bill. Listen to the rain** / by Bill Martin, Jr. and John

Archambault ; illustrated by James Endicott. New York : H. Holt, c1988.

Summary: Describes the changing sounds of the rain, the slow soft sprinkle, the drip-drop tinkle, the sounding pounding roaring rain, and the fresh wet silent after-time of rain.

**Mazzola, Frank. Counting is for the birds** / Frank Mazzola, Jr. New York: Scholastic, 2000, c1997.

Summary: As a cat patiently waits, birds from one to twenty land at a feeder. Includes information about the various species and the seeds they eat.

**Miller, Debbie S. Flight of the golden plover : the amazing migration between Hawaii and Alaska** / story by Debbie S. Miller; illustrations by Daniel Van Zyle. Anchorage : Alaska Northwest Books, c1996.

Summary: Describes the behavior and adaptations of the Pacific golden plover, which makes one of the greatest annual transoceanic migrations on earth.

**Pfeffer, Wendy. A log's life** / by Wendy Pfeffer ; illustrations by Robin Brickman. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c1997.

Summary: Introduction to the life cycle of a tree.

**Pringle, Laurence P. An extraordinary life : the story of a monarch butterfly** / by Laurence Pringle ; paintings by Bob Marstall. New York : Orchard Books, c1997.

Summary: Introduces the life cycle, feeding habits, migration, predators, and mating of the monarch butterfly through the observation of one particular monarch named Danaus.

**Reed-Jones, Carol. Salmon stream** / by Carol Reed-Jones ; illustrations by Michael S. Maydak. Nevada City, CA : Dawn Publications, 2001.

Series Title: (A Sharing nature with children book)

**Rockwell, Anne F. Bugs are insects** / by Anne Rockwell ; illustrated by Steve Jenkins. New York : HarperCollins, c2001. Series Title: (Let's-read-and-find-out. Stage 1)

Summary: Introduces common backyard insects and explains the basic characteristics of these creatures.

**Rockwell, Anne F. Our earth** / written and illustrated by Anne Rockwell.

San Diego : Silver Whistle/Harcourt Brace, c1998.

Summary: A simple introduction to geography which explains such things such as how the earth was shaped, how islands are born from volcanoes, and how gushing springs effect rivers.

**Ryder, Joanne. The snail's spell** / by Joanne Ryder ; pictures by

Lynne Cherry. New York : Puffin Books, 1988, c1982. Series Title: (Picture puffins)

Summary: The reader imagines how it feels to be a snail.

**Ryder, Joanne. Where butterflies grow** / by Joanne Ryder ; pictures by

Lynne Cherry. New York : Lodestar Books, c1989.

Summary: Describes what it feels like to change from a caterpillar into a butterfly. Includes gardening tips to attract butterflies.

**Sayres, Meghan Nuttall. The shape of Betts Meadow : a wetlands story** / Meghan

Nuttall Sayres ; pictures by Joanne Friar. Brookfield, Conn. : Millbrook Press, c2002.

Summary: A tract of land is returned to its natural state, from pasture to wetland, as streams are unblocked, animals move back in, and native plants grow.

**Seattle, Chief, 1790-1866. Brother eagle, sister sky : a message from Chief Seattle** / paintings by Susan Jeffers. New York : Dial Books, c1991.

**Shattil, Wendy. City foxes** / photography by Wendy Shattil ; story by Susan J. Tweit.

Denver, CO : Denver Museum of Natural History ; Portland, OR : Alaska Northwest Books, c1997.

Summary: Records the lives of two adult foxes and their litter of newborn kits which have made their home in a city graveyard.

**Seuss, Dr. The Lorax** / by Dr. Seuss. New York, Random House [1971].

Summary: The Once-ler describes the results of the local pollution problem.

**Shulevitz, Uri. Dawn** / words and pictures by Uri Shulevitz. New York, Farrar, Straus and Giroux [1987]

Summary: Camped for the night by a lake, a boy and his grandfather experience dawn from their row boat.

**Siebert, Diane. Heartland** / by Diane Siebert ; paintings by Wendell Minor. New York : Crowell, c1989.

Summary: Evokes the land, animals, and people of the Middle West in poetic text and illustrations.

**Silverstein, Shel. The giving tree** / by Shel Silverstein. [Scranton, Pa. : HarperCollins Publishers, c1964.

Summary: A young boy grows to manhood and old age experiencing the love and generosity of a tree which gives to him without thought of return.

**Tiffault, Benette W. Ghost bat in a gum tree** / by Benette W. Tiffault ; illustrations by Peter Grosshauser. Helena, Mont. : Falcon Pub., c1998.

Summary: Verses patterned after the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas" introduce twelve different threatened or endangered species, including the panda, wolf, bandicoot, humpback whale, chimpanzee, and rhinoceros.

**Tomecek, Steve. Dirt** / by Steve "the dirtmeister" Tomecek ; illustrated by Nancy Woodman. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic Society, c2002. Series Title: (Jump into science)

Summary: Brief text explores how soil is formed, its layers, and its importance as a natural resource that living things need to survive.

**Tresselt, Alvin R. The gift of the tree** / Alvin Tresselt ; illustrated by Henri Sorensen. New York : Lothrop, Lee & Shepard Books, c1992.

Summary: Traces the life cycle of an oak tree and describes the animals that depend on it for shelter and food.

**Van Allsburg, Chris. Just a dream** / Chris Van Allsburg. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 1990.

Summary: When he has a dream about a future Earth devastated by pollution, Walter begins to understand the importance of taking care of the environment.

**Vaughan, Richard Lee. Eagle boy : a Pacific Northwest tale** / retold by Richard Lee Vaughan ; illustrated by Lee Christiansen. Seattle : Sasquatch Books, 2000.

Summary: An Indian boy's friendship with eagles ultimately saves his village in the Pacific Northwest from starvation.

**Waddell, Martin. Owl babies** / Martin Waddell ; illustrated by Patrick Benson. Cambridge, Mass. : Candlewick Press, 1996, c1992.

Summary: Board book on young owls relationship with their mother.

**Wood, Audrey. Birdsong** / drawings by Robert Florczak. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, c1997.

Summary: Children hear bird calls native to their areas as they go through their daily activities.

**Yolen, Jane. Owl moon** / by Jane Yolen ; illustrated by John Schoenherr. New York : Philomel Books, c1987.

Summary: On a winter's night under a full moon, a father and daughter trek into the woods to see the Great Horned Owl.



## **Books for Older Children**

### **Selected Non-Fiction**

**Barnes, Simon. Planet zoo : one hundred animals we can't afford to lose/** Simon Barnes ; illustrated by Alan Marks. London : Orion Children's, 2000.  
Summary: Book about endangered species.

**Byrnes, Patricia. Environmental pioneers /** Patricia Byrnes. Minneapolis, MN : Oliver Press, 1998. Series: (Profiles)  
Summary: Profiles people who have been influential in the environmental movement: John Muir, Jay Norwood "Ding" Darling, Rosalie Edge, Aldo Leopold, Olaus and Margaret Murie, Rachel Carson, David Brower, and Gaylord Nelson.

**Charman, Andy. I wonder why the dodo is dead and other questions about extinct and endangered animals /** Andrew Charman. New York : Kingfisher, 1996. Series: (I wonder why)  
Summary: Answers questions about extinct animals and animals in danger of becoming extinct, with a focus on reasons for endangerment and conservation efforts.

**Collard, Sneed B. Acting for nature : what young people around the world have done to protect the environment /** Sneed B. Collard III and Action for Nature ; illustrated by Carl Dennis Buell. Berkeley, Calif. : Heyday Books, c2000.

**Colman, C. H. The bald eagle's view of American history /** illustrated by Joanne Friar. Watertown, Mass. : Charlesbridge, c2006.  
Summary: Tells the history of the United States from a bald eagle's point of view and features postage stamps that chronicle historic events.

**Davies, Jacqueline. The boy who drew birds : a story of John James Audubon /** by Jacqueline Davies ; illustrated by Melissa Sweet. Boston : Houghton Mifflin Co., 2004.  
Summary: As a boy, John James Audubon loved to watch birds. In 1804, at the age of eighteen, he moved from his home in France to Pennsylvania. There he took a particular interest in peewee flycatchers. While observing these birds, John James became determined to answer a pair of two-thousand-year-old questions: Where do small birds go in the winter, and do they return to the same nest in the spring?

**Dunlap, Julie. Aldo Leopold : living with the land /** Julie Dunlap ;

illustrated by Antonio Castro. 1st ed. New York : Twenty-First Century Books, 1993.  
Summary: A biography of the American naturalist who was a leader in wildlife conservation.

**Fraser, Mary Ann. Sanctuary, the story of Three Arch Rocks** / written and illustrated by Mary Ann Fraser. New York : Holt, 1994.

**George, Jean Craighead. The moon of the monarch butterflies** / by Jean Craighead George ; illustrated by Kam Mak. New York, NY : HarperCollins Publishers, c1993. Series: (The thirteen moons)

Summary: Describes a female Monarch butterfly's solitary flight from Arkansas to Michigan as she lays the eggs that will hatch and repeat her life cycle.

**George, Jean Craighead. One day in the desert** / by Jean Craighead George ; illustrated by Fred Brenner. New York : HarperTrophy, 1996, c1983. Series Title: (Trophy chapter book.)

Summary: Explains how the animal and human inhabitants of the Sonoran Desert of Arizona, including a mountain lion, a roadrunner, a coyote, a tortoise, and members of the Papago Indian tribe, adapt to and survive the desert's merciless heat. See also other "One Day..." books by George.

**Herbert, Janis. Lewis and Clark for kids : their journey of discovery with 21 activities** / Janis Herbert. Chicago : Chicago Review Press, c2000.

Summary: An account of the Lewis and Clark expedition sent by President Jefferson to explore the land acquired in the Louisiana Purchase in 1803. Includes related activities.

**Hoose, Phillip M. The race to save the Lord God Bird** / Phillip Hoose.

New York : Farrar, Straus and Giroux, c2004.

Summary: Tells the story of the ivory-billed woodpecker's extinction in the United States, describing the encounters between this species and humans, and discussing what these encounters have taught us about preserving endangered creatures.

**Jackson, Donna M. The bug scientists** / by Donna M. Jackson. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 2002. Series Title: (Scientists in the field)

Summary: Bug scientists, called entomologists, present information on insects and explain how they use that information in their work.

**Jackson, Donna M. The wildlife detectives : how forensic scientists fight crimes against nature** / Donna M. Jackson ; photographs by Wendy Shattil and Bob Rozinski. Boston : Houghton Mifflin Co., 2000. Series Title: (Scientists in the field)  
Summary: Describes how the wildlife detectives at the National and Wildlife Forensics Laboratory in Ashland, Oregon, analyze clues to catch and convict people responsible for crimes against animals.

**Kress, Stephen W. Project puffin : how we brought puffins back to Egg Rock** / by Stephen W. Kress as told to Pete Salmansohn. Gardiner, Me. : Tilbury House, 1997.

Summary: Details a wildlife scientist's successful efforts to restore puffin colonies in Maine through an experiment in habitat restoration.

**Lasky, Kathryn. Interrupted journey : saving endangered sea turtles** / Kathryn Lasky ; photographs by Christopher G. Knight. Cambridge, Mass.: Candlewick Press, 2001.

Summary: Describes efforts to protect sea turtles, particularly Kemp's ridley turtles, and help them reproduce and replenish their once-dwindling numbers.

**Lasky, Kathryn. The most beautiful roof in the world : exploring the rainforest canopy** / Kathryn Lasky ; photographs by Christopher G. Knight. San Diego : Harcourt Brace & Co., c1997.

Summary: Describes the work of Meg Lowman in the rainforest canopy, an area unexplored until the last ten years and home to previously unknown species of plants and animals.

**Lorbiecki, Marybeth. Of things natural, wild, and free : a story about Aldo Leopold**/ by Marybeth Lorbiecki ; illustrated by Kerry Maguire.

Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c1993. Series Title: (A Carolrhoda creative minds book)

Summary: A biography of the pioneer in wildlife conservation and author of "A Sand County Almanac."

**Osborn, Elinor. Project UltraSwan** / written and photographed by Elinor Osborn. Boston : Houghton Mifflin Co., 2002. Series Title: (Scientists in the field ; v.6)

Summary: Describes the life of large trumpeter swans, how they became extinct, and efforts to reintroduce them to the Northeastern United States and to help them relearn migration routes.

**Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw. Animals on the trail with Lewis and Clark** / photos by William Muñoz. New York : Clarion Books, c2002.

Summary: Retraces the Lewis and Clark journey and blends their observations of previously unknown animals with modern information about those same animals.

**Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw. Places of refuge : our national wildlife refuge system** / Dorothy Hinshaw Patent ; photographs by William Muñoz.

New York : Clarion Books, c1992.

Summary: Examines some of the popular wildlife refuges, in such states as Texas, North Dakota, and California, and focuses on the different methods used to help maintain a natural balance there.

**Ricciuti, Edward R. Wildlife special agent : protecting endangered species** / by Edward R. Ricciuti ; photographs by Stephen Carpenteri and Bruce Glassman. Woodbridge, Ct : Blackbirch Press, 1997. Series: (Risky business)

Summary: Profiles the career of a special agent for the Division of Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Service while highlighting the excitement and danger involved in the work.

**Robbins, Ken. Thunder on the plains : the story of the American buffalo/** Ken Robbins. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2001.

Summary: A brief introduction to the history of the American buffalo and how it was almost hunted into extinction.

**Ross, Michael Elsohn. Exploring the earth with John Wesley Powell /** by Michael Elsohn Ross ; illustrations by Wendy Smith. Minneapolis, MN : Carolrhoda Books, 2000. Series: (Naturalist's apprentice)

Summary: A biography of the geologist who mapped the Colorado River and the Grand Canyon.

**Ross, Michael Elsohn. Pond watching with Ann Morgan /** by Michael Elsohn Ross; illustrations by Wendy Smith. Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, 2000. Series: (Naturalists apprentice)

Summary: Describes the life and work of Ann Haven Morgan, who studied, taught, and wrote about the animals of ponds and streams and the importance of an ecological approach to conservation. Includes related activities.

**Sís, Peter. The tree of life : a book depicting the life of Charles Darwin, naturalist, geologist & thinker /** by Peter Sís. New York : Farrar Straus Giroux, 2003.

Summary: Presents the life of the famous nineteenth-century naturalist using text from Darwin's writings and detailed drawings by Sís.

**Svedberg, Ulf. Nicky the nature detective /** pictures by Lena Anderson; text by Ulf Svedberg ; translated by Ingrid Selberg. Stockholm ; New York : R & S Books ; New York : Distributed in the U.S. by Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1988.

Summary: Nicky's adventures in the woods and fields introduce the reader to the seasonal changes in plants and animals.

**Swinburne, Stephen R. Once a wolf : how wildlife biologists fought to bring back the gray wolf /** Stephen R. Swinburne ; with photographs by Jim Brandenburg. Boston, Mass. : Houghton Mifflin, 1999.

Summary: Surveys the history of the troubled relationship between wolves and humans, examines the view that these predators are a valuable part of the ecosystem, and describes the conservation movement to restore them to the wild.

**Swinburne, Stephen R. The woods scientist /** by Stephen R. Swinburne ; with photographs by Susan C. Morse. Boston : Houghton Mifflin Co., 2002.

Summary: A devoted nature lover and animal tracker, Sue Morse shares her knowledge and love of some of the creatures that inhabit America's woodlands.

**Waldman, Neil. They came from the Bronx : how the buffalo were saved from extinction /** Neil Waldman. Honesdale, Pa. : Boyd Mills Press, c2001.

Summary: A Comanche grandmother and her grandson wait for the arrival of a small herd of buffalo in a story based on the efforts of the American Bison Society to reintroduce bison to Oklahoma in 1907.

**Ward, Lorraine. A walk in the wild : exploring a wildlife refuge** / by Lorraine Ward ; illustrated by Laura Jacques. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c1993.  
Series Title: (An Outdoor adventure book)  
Summary: A class learns the purpose of a wildlife refuge and what happens to the animals that live within its boundaries.

**Whitman, Sylvia. This land is your land : the American conservation movement** / Sylvia Whitman. Minneapolis : Lerner Publications, c1994.

Wishinsky, Frieda. The man who made parks : the story of parkbuilder Frederick Law Olmsted / Frieda Wishinsky ; illustrated by Song Nan Zhang. Plattsburgh, N.Y. : Tundra Books, c1999.

### **Selected Fiction for Older Children and Young Adults (YA)**

**Anderson, Laurie Halse. Manatee blues** / Laurie Halse Anderson. Middleton, WI : American Girl, c2000. Series: (Wild at Heart ; 4)  
Summary: Brenna, Maggie, and Zoe go to Florida to visit a manatee rescue center, where they learn about these endangered marine mammals.

**George, Jean Craighead. Frightful's mountain** / written and illustrated by Jean Craighead George. New York, N.Y. : Puffin Books, 2001.  
Summary: As she grows through the first years of her life in the Catskill Mountains of New York, a peregrine falcon called Frightful interacts with various humans, including the boy who raised her, a falconer who rescues her, and several unscrupulous poachers, as well as with many animals that are part of the area's ecological balance.

**George, Jean Craighead. Julie of the wolves.** Pictures by John Schoenherr. New York, Harper & Row [1972]  
Summary: While running away from home and an unwanted marriage, a thirteen-year-old Eskimo girl becomes lost on the North Slope of Alaska and is befriended by a wolf pack.

**George, Jean Craighead. My side of the mountain** / written and illustrated by Jean Craighead George. New York : Puffin Books, 1991, c1988.  
Summary: A young boy relates his adventures during the year he spends living alone in the Catskill Mountains including his struggle for survival, his dependence on nature, his animal friends, and his ultimate realization that he needs human companionship.

**George, Jean Craighead. There's an owl in the shower** / Jean Craighead George ; illustrated by Christine Herman Merrill. New York : HarperTrophy, 1997, c1995.

Summary: Because protecting spotted owls has cost Borden's father his job as a logger in the old growth forest of northern California, Borden intends to kill any spotted owl he sees, until he and his father find themselves taking care of a young owlet. See also more in this series by George.

**Hiaasen, Carl. Hoot** / Carl Hiaasen. New York : Alfred A. Knopf : Distributed by Random House, c2002. **YA**

Summary: Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site.

**Hobbs, Will. Changes in latitudes** / Will Hobbs. New York : Simon Pulse, 2004. **YA**

Summary: A family trip to Mexico changes a teenager's attitudes as he becomes exposed to his brother's consuming interest in saving endangered species, to his parents' problems, and to his own selfishness.

**Myers, Anna. Flying blind** / Anna Myers. New York : Walker, 2003.

Summary: Ben Riley and Murphy, the pet macaw, know the killing of egrets for their feathers must be stopped, but the lines between right and wrong become blurred when Ben meets two orphans who rely on feathering to stay alive.

**O'Dell, Scott. Island of the Blue Dolphins** / Scott O'Dell. New York : Dell, [1987], c1960.

Summary: Records the courage and self-reliance of an Indian girl who lived alone for eighteen years on an isolated island off the California coast.

**Seidler, Tor. The silent spillbills** / Tor Seidler. [New York] : Harper Trophy, 2003.

**Skurzynski, Gloria. Wolf stalker** / Gloria Skurzynski and Alane Ferguson. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic Society ; [Emeryville, CA] : Distributed by Publishers Group West, c1997. Series: (National parks mystery ; #1)

Summary: Twelve-year-old Jack, his younger sister, and the family's teenage foster child Troy go to Yellowstone National Park, where Jack's mother, a wildlife veterinarian, is investigating the report that wolves reintroduced to the park have killed a dog there.