

Environmentally Kids Newsletter

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Hello & welcome to those who are back! We hope you enjoy this next issue.



About the Newsletter

This newsletter is for people (especially kids) who want to protect and heal Mother Nature. We really hope that this newsletter helps you start to take action in your own ways.

Garbage Walk Week Challenge Results

Last issue we had the Garbage Walk Week Challenge. Here are the results.

The most prominent trash items in our neighbourhood were fast food packaging and candy wrappers.

The main area that we cleaned up:

We are going to try to use less of these wasteful things.



BEFORE

VS.



AFTER

Action Blurb: The Three Rs

A lot of people know the three Rs, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, but do you know the other two, Refuse and Repurpose? They are less widely known, but are also important.

The way I see it, we need to do them in this order. The reason for their order in the image is: Refusing to buy trash creates the least waste, then Reducing, then Reusing it for the same purpose, then Repurposing it for a different purpose, then finally Recycling, which, while still being better than tossing something in the trash, uses energy; plus, each item has a limited Recycling capacity; until it's been broken down too many times.

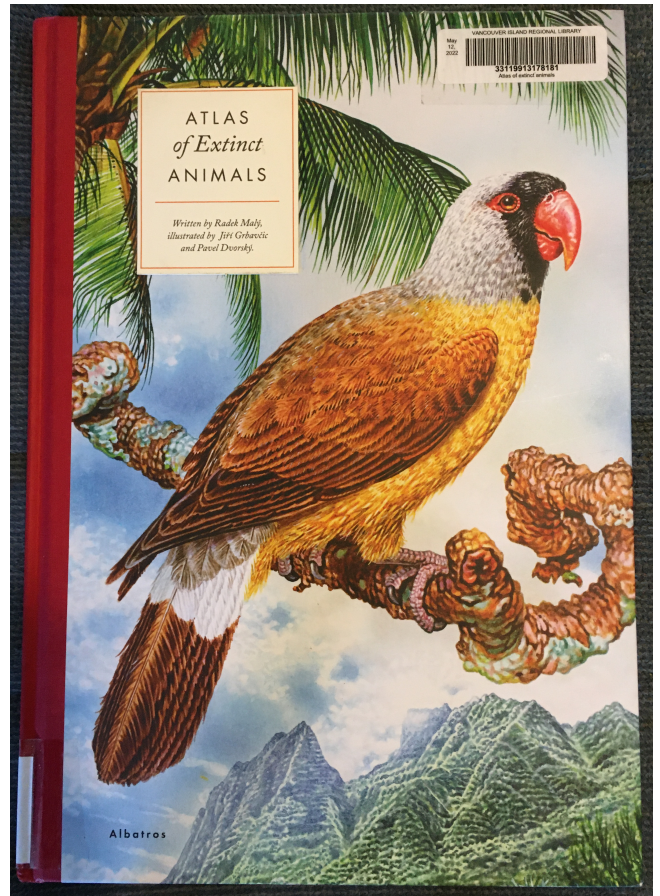


One Good Book

Atlas of Extinct Animals written by Radek Maly and illustrated by Jirí Grbavčic and Pavel Dvorsky is a great book that brings awareness to the fact that animals dying out isn't just a thing of the past.

Reading these short stories about extinct animals, I learned that some of the factors that contribute to **extinction** are: human hunting (for food and body parts), human-introduced predators, habitat **destruction**, trophy hunting, natural disasters and hunting for human entertainment.

It was fun to read.



News from Readers And Pet Pics

We saw this Elk by the apple tree on our corner looking for apples

Izzy the dog
From the Peters



Important Upcoming Days/Dates and Ways to Celebrate

Come up with your own, and let us know what they are

November:

World Kindness Day is the 13th, 2022

- Do something kind for the Environment, like a garbage walk or planting a Tree. Your actions will come back to you in the long run

December:

Intl Volunteer Day is the 5th, 2022

- Volunteer with an Environmental project

Intl Mountain Day is the 11th, 2022

- Go for a hike on a Mountain near you
- If you don't live near a Mountain, go on a garbage walk

The Winter Solstice is the 21st, 2022

- Make a wreath or decoration out of Natural materials

2023:

February:

World wetlands day is the 2nd, 2023

- After reading [this website](#), write a letter to your local **authorities** about why Wetlands are important and we need to protect them
- Visit a Wetland in your area

Poems, Pets & Pictures

We would love to hear from you! Please submit things for the newsletter (e.g. Nature related pictures, poems, stories, etc.) to: kamillab@gmail.com. We'll include them in the "News From Readers And Pet Pics" section. If you want to give a Nature related book report with

a picture to include in the "One Good Book" section, please email it to us.

Keep at it! Remember, together we can make the difference!

Extra Fun!

This Issue's Puzzle:

Environmental Word Search

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GARBAGEWALK
SOLSTICE
KINDNESS
NATURAL
WETLANDS
WASTEFUL
MOUNTAIN
REFUSE
REPURPOSE
EXTINCT
ELK
NATURE
AWARENESS
REDUCE
REUSE
SNOW
RECYCLE

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/4279733/>

Glossary

These definitions are based on our own understanding, plus research.

Authorities: the people in charge who make decisions, such as a mayor or prime minister

Destruction: the act of destroying

Extinction: when a species of animals dies out

Prominent: something that stands out, for example, because it's the biggest

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Thank you for reading!