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The Book Nook Conservation World, 2024

These books were displayed at the 2024 Education Tent on endangered and threatened species in the Book Nook. This list is not complete. Other books on the market are also accurate and a good source of information. This list will give you a good starting point to find reliable and accurate information to read to youth and children. This list does not represent endorsement to any book or author by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Books listed under the various reading ages can be read either at the level above or below depending on the child.

Youngest Readers (2 to 5 years)

About Amphibians by Catherine Sill
About Birds by Catherine Sill
A Butterfly is Patient by Dianna Hutts
Because of an Acorn by Lola M Schaefer and Adam Schaefer
Over and Under the Pond by Kate Messner

Young Readers (4 to 8 years)

A Bee's Difficult Search for Food by Mary Ellen Klukow
A Log's Life by Wendy Pfeffer
A Turtle's Dangerous Journey by Mary Ellen Klukow
Big Night for Salamanders by Sarah Marwil Lamstein
Bird Count by Susan Edwards Richmond
Can We Save Them by David Dobson
Migration: Incredible Animal Journeys by Mike Unwin
Monarch and Milkweed by Helen Frost and Leonid Gore
Mother Earth's Lullaby: A Song for Endangered Animals by Terry Pierce
Near One Cattail by Anthony D. Fredericks
Otters Love to Play by Jonathan London
Plant a Pocket of Prairie by Phyllis Root
Puma Dreams by Tony Johnston
Ruby's Birds by Mya Thompson
Skydiver: Saving the Fastest Bird in the World by Celia Godkin
The Bug Girl by Sophia Spencer
The Eagles are Back by Jean Craighead George
The Magic and Mystery of Trees by Claire McElfotrick
The Prairie that Nature Built by Marybeth Lorbiecki
Track that Scat by Lisa Morlock
What's the Difference? An Endangered Animal Subtraction Story by Suzanne Slade
Where Once There Was a Wood by Denise Fleming
Why and Where are Animals Endangered? By Bobbie Kalman

Middle Readers (9 to 12 years)

A Case of the Vanishing Little Brown Bats: A Scientific Mystery by Sandra Markle
A Place for Turtles by Melissa Stewart
Bugs in Danger: Our Vanishing Bees, Butterflies and Beetles by Mark Kurlansky
What Goes On Inside a Beaver Pond? By Becky Cushing Gop

Older Readers (11 to 15 years)

A Wild Promise by Allen Crawford
Saving Endangered Animals by Jilly Hunt
The Endangered Species Problem by Daniel R. Faust