

Pathfinder for Wildlife Conservation

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My pathfinder is for students, teachers and parents. I originally created this file for my fifth grade students' research reports on endangered species. It has since grown with interest generated from parents and other teachers. It has expanded so that it not only covers information on endangered species, but also how one can "adopt" an endangered species and thus learn more about it. It lists ways that students can help to conserve species and their habitats. Teacher's packets with complete lesson plans and activities are also incorporated.

GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL LINKS

<http://nceet.snre.umich.edu>

This is called EE-Link. This is a user-friendly site that gives you different options of places to go. Included, is a classroom resources site, resources for EE professionals, EE student resources, EE calendar, EE grant resources, EE job resources EE organization and project links and environmental information data. It then gives you these months' highlights.

<http://www.nesarc.org>

The National Endangered Species Act Reform Coalition.

This site is more focused on what their coalition is doing to help and how others can join. It gives useful information on what the government is doing, what is the ESA, Where the endangered species are located, how the ESA has impacted people and who is the NESARC.

<http://www.biodiversity.environment.gov.au/plants/threaten/lists/anzec lists/anzvef.htm>

Wildlife Australia

This is a broad -ranged web site. It is international and covers agreements and conventions that are international. This site hits topics as broad as conservation overviews and as narrow as articles on specific animals. It includes fact sheets, kids guides and tips for saving our threatened species.

<http://www.sw-center.org/swcbd/factsheets/esafact.html>

The Endangered Species Act

This is presented in more of an article format rather than the point and click method. It is an article that covers the Earth's early warning system, what endangered species are, why it is important to protect them, why species are becoming endangered and what the Endangered Species Act is.

<http://www.zoobooks.com>

Zoobooks

This is a kid-friendly site! It has a virtual zoo where kids can “pet” animals. It has educational games and information. There is also a place where parents can order their monthly magazine.

http://www.kidinfo.com/science/endangered_animals.html

Kid info...Endangered Animals

This kid friendly web site begins by giving an animal search engine! I found this site very useful, not only for children, but for adults as well. It tells about animals from different habitats, animals from zoos, and museums of animals. It gives specific information about specific animals, but also includes an encyclopedia for conservation information. I LOVE THIS ONE!

<http://www.studyweb.com/science/>

Lightspan study Web

This is a site that is perfect for meeting the needs of our gifted and talented students. It reaches the upper level thinking! It hits all the sciences, the user needs to find the topic Environment and go from there. It is a great resource for students, teachers and parents!

<http://training.fws.gov/deo/education.html>

This is a really neat site that has an on-line slide show called “Endangered Means There’s Still Time.” There is also a FREE video that teachers can order for their class!

<http://endangered.fws.gov/kids/heyteach.htm>

“Hey Teachers!”

This is a super site for teachers and parents to visit! It includes a Teacher’s Packet, teaching themes, definitions, crossword puzzles and even an on-line SLIDE SHOW!

<http://endangered.fws.gov/>

Welcome to the Endangered Species Program

This site shows different endangered species, tells about them, what is being done to save them, and how the efforts are working. This is one site that also tells of the animals that are making it OFF the endangered species list!

<http://partners.fws.gov/>

Welcome to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program
This is a site for voluntary habitat restoration in cooperation with private landowners. It summons people with land to turn it into a wildlife preservation area. The reason this site is also good for students as well as parents is that it gives the names and addresses of government agencies that deal with wildlife restoration.

<http://images.fws.gov>

National Image Library

This is a really neat site to download pictures and information of wildlife, scenics, and conservation issues.

http://endangered.fws.gov/kids/how_help.htm

This site is wonderful for eager students, teachers and parents who are willing and able but have no idea how to help the endangered species! It gives wonderful ideas ranging from very simple to very complex on what people can do to help!

<http://endangered.fws.gov/partners.html>

This is a “Catch all site.” It has links to kid’s sites, Internet directories, links to sites for specific animals, education materials, photos of endangered species, and links to each state’s conservation sites! It also contains links to Colleges and Universities that have studies concerning wildlife protection and links to local, state and federal agencies. **THIS IS YOUR ONE-STOP-SHOPPING!**

SITES FOR SPECIFIC ENDANGERED SPECIES

http://seaworld.org/endangered_species/esVI.html

Endangered Species Profiles

This site gives different endangered species and gives a profile on each one. This is an excellent site for students who are just beginning their search!

<http://tjunior.thinkquest.org/3822/>

Endangered Species of Florida

A fifth grade class in Miami Florida creates this site. It has specific animals and gives detailed information on them. It also lists the sources so it makes for a super site for kids to get started!

<http://www.wdcs.org/customers/wdcs2/newsfeed.nsf>

WDCF the global voice for the protection of whales, dolphins, and their environment.

This web site gives up to date information on what is happening with the mammals of our seas. It tells about the animals, how they are being killed or abused and what we can do to help.

http://www.tigerhaven.org/site_map.htm

If you need information on tigers (my students’ favorite topic) this is the site in be in! It has any an all information you could want or need about tigers, and other large cats!

ADOPT AN ANIMAL!

<http://www.wwf-uk.org/whatcan/adopt/kinyan1.htm>

Adopt a Rhino!

This tells about the rhino, how to adopt it, and what you money goes for. You in turn receive a certificate, a photograph and quarterly updates on the progress of your specific rhino.

<http://www.weboflife.co.uk/whipsnade/adopt.html>

Whipsnade Wild animal park

With this site you may adopt animals from this wild animal park. The adopter receives a mounted color photo, certificate, ticket to park, car sticker, adoption badge, and newsletter subscription for 1 year and your name on an adoption board in the park.

<http://www.weboflife.co.uk/londonzoo/adopt.html>

London Zoo

These adoptions are from the London Zoo; the adopter receives a photo, certificate, and ticket to the zoo, subscription to Lifewatch magazine and your name on an adopter's board in the zoo.

<http://www.expage.com/page/petadoption>

Welcome to Lauren's Adopt a Lion page

This web site is specifically for Lion adoptions, the lions are named and you pick which cub you want to adopt.