



Care for the World

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We all have a responsibility to care for the environment as we are all custodians of the world in which we live and have a responsibility to try and ensure we leave it in a better state than it is at present. There is a lot of information available about care for the world which we can access. However, in Scouting and Guiding we aim to help children and young people to learn by doing. We have attempted in these sheets to identify websites that provide activities in particular but also information that can be used in our programmes which provide insights into various aspects of environmental issue, pollution, climate change, poverty and the effect of natural disasters, all of which affect the environment and the world in which we live.

The Environment

www.ypte.org.uk/audiences/kids

www.ypte.org.uk/audiences/teenagers



ypte is a charity which aims to encourage young people's understanding of the environment. This site contains a wealth of information, factsheets, videos, and activities for children and young people.. It covers a wide range of environmental issues such as, weather, climate change, water, energy, pollution, plants and animals .There is also a page on the site to request information on specific topics and for particular age ranges.

www.persil.com/uk/sustainability-for-kids



This site provides a range of environmental activities, possibly the most useful section is, 'Activities for World Environment Day' e.g. make a green family plan, recycling field trip, appreciate nature, but the other sections of the site have some useful ideas and information. . These activities are most suited to the two younger sections.

Climate Change/Global Warming

www.letstalkscience.ca/Resources/Activities-Try-These/what-is-the-greenhouse-effect



This site provides an activity investigating the impact of the greenhouse effect. The site also has a useful section on climate change.

www.ypote.org.uk/games/jumpybear



This site provides a game illustrating the effects of climate change and global warming.

www.christianaid.org.uk/schools/wonder-world



This site provides good insights about the impact of climate change in a number of countries. Though they are teacher's notes they can be used by others discussing climate change with children and young people.

www.christianaid.org.uk/FumesandFutures



a game looking at issues of climate change and the need to embrace clean energy

Plastic Pollution

www.kidsagainstplastic.co.uk/do



This site provides a number of activities/campaigns showing how youth activism can achieve results against plastic pollution. One of the activities is about 'plastic clever' Scouts and Guides.

www.globalocean.org.uk/resources



A site providing information and activities relating to plastic pollution

Poverty

www.christianaid.org.uk/paper-bag-game



a game that provides an insight into what life is like for poor people trying to earn a living with the help of their children

www.christianaid.org.uk/chocolate-trade-game



a game that traces the journey of a cocoa bean from tree to chocolate bar illustrating the difficulties workers face but it highlights the part trade plays in developing the economies of communities.

www.christianaid.org.uk/forest-foods-forever



a game that looks at the issues of food and hunger.

www.christianaid.org.uk/trading-trainers-game



the game shows how poor people have to work very hard to earn a living.

www.christianaid.org.uk/Typhoon-town-challenge-game



the game provides insight into what life is like in a poor part of Metro Manila in the Philippines

www.christianaid.org.uk/trading-game



the game shows how trade affects the economy of a country.

The effects of Natural Disasters

www.christianaid.org.uk/Disaster-zone-game



the game explores the practical and emotional impact of a disaster and what people will try to save.

www.christianaid.org.uk/disater-zone-simulation



the game explores what people will do in an emergency situation.

The effects of Conflict or War

www.christianaid.org.uk/safe-place-ludo



the game explores difficult journeys made by people fleeing conflict.

Solar Energy

www.climatekids.nasa.gov/s'mores



this activity involves making a cardboard solar and doing some very simple cooking using the oven and sunshine.

Water and Sanitation

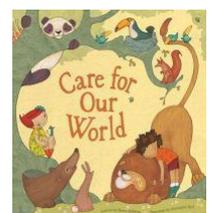


Water Aid is an organisation that aims to provide Clean Water, Decent Toilets and Good Hygiene for everyone. Progress is being made but there is still a long way to go to achieve these aims. Water Aid is one of the Scout Association's partners in the A Million Hands project and they have produced packs containing a wide range of activities for each of the sections, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers. These can be downloaded from the A Million Hands web site.

www.amillionhands.org.uk/wateraid

Scout Badges

The Cub and Scout Sections both have an Environmental Conservation activity Badge and there is material on the Scout Website to support both these badges www.scouts.org.uk



Looking after God's world.

Suitable for Cubs and Brownies

Print onto thin card

Decorate and cut out the two wheel

Use a split pin through the centre to fix the two wheels together

Suggestions - whilst colouring,
read parts of the creation story from Genesis

As they use the wheel, talk about the various parts
of God's of creation & pollution

Eg. 'What can we do about wasting food?/ using less plastic
or reusing plastic containers?/
Or 'Can we fly or drive less?' etc.

