NURTURING THE SPIRIT-NATURE CONNECTION: A Seventh Principle Project Religious Education Resource

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Our mission is to facilitate and support the work of Unitarian Universalist, by affirming and promoting the seven principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association, including the seventh: "to affirm and promote respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part." We do this by focusing on the theological, spiritual, and ethical aspects of human values and activities that affect the health and sustainability of living Earth.

Our vision is that Unitarian Universalists recognize and embrace the moral imperative to live in covenant with the web of life through personal, congregational, and denominational practices.

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Dear Friends,

This work in progress includes the favorite children's environmental stewardship resources of a number of religious educators. Thank you, Lyn Stangland Cameron, Claudia Kern, Lori Harriman, Terry Stafford, Sandra Greenfield, and Heather Norway.

The first section sorts the resources by topic, ready for you to prepare a thematic unit. You'll find individual lessons and songs listed, since some resource books include different items applicable to different environmental themes. The lessons are sorted by sub-topic if there is one (for example, the Cycles theme has Daily Cycles, Life Cycles, and Annual Cycles) and then by age for which the lesson is intended. Songs had to be singable by and accessible to children to be included.

The second section sorts the resources by title, and includes annotations for many of them as well as contact or ordering information if that was available. This resource is meant to be distributed freely – please pass it on, charging only for copying and postage.

The Seventh Principle Project hopes that this is the beginning of an ongoing adventure. We hope to add more resources, expanding the breadth to include items for adult religious education, and a possible web-based searchable format.

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Thanks for all you do for the Earth, for our children, for the future.

Peace,

Sparrow

INTERDEPENDENT WEB

INTERDEPENDENT WEB - CURRICULA

- •Keepers of the Earth: Native American Stories and Environmental Activities Primary, Elementary.
- A Supplement for Use With Keepers of the Earth Preschool, Primary, Elementary
- •In Our Hands, Grades 1 3, Primary
- •We Believe Multi-Age
- •The Senses: Our Access to the Living Earth Preschool, Primary, Elementary
- Hands-On Nature Primary, Elementary
- Supplement to Hands-On Nature Primary, Elementary
- Experiences With the Web of Life Primary
- A Stepping Stone Year Primary, Elementary
- •Connecting With The Earth Multi-Age
- •In Our Hands, Grades 4 6 Elementary
- •Celebrating Me and My World Preschool
- •We Are Many We Are One Preschool

INTERDEPENDENT WEB - LESSONS

- •Celebrate Native American Arts in Honoring Our Mother Earth Music, dance, art, and stories
- •Session #3: The Coming of Gluscabi in Keepers of the Earth

A sense of place and belonging. See Borchelt's Companion #1.

•Session #4: The Earth on Turtle's Back in Keepers of the Earth

Nature and human needs. See Borchelt's Companion #3.

- •What is Ecology? in *Ecology: Usborne* habitats, building your own pond
- Ecosystems in *Ecology: Usborne*

climates, food webs.

- Adaptation in Ecology: Usborne
- Deserts, extreme environments, seed study
- Relationships in nature in *Ecology: Usborne* colonies, parasites, cooperation, ant colony.
- Population and conservation in Ecology: Usborne

Population control, territorial behavior, predators, threatened habitats and wildlife

- Urban ecosystems in *Ecology: Usborne* Urban adaptations, succession, pollution; a pocket park.
- Evolution in *Ecology: Usborne* Evolution, fossils, fossil hunting, Darwinism, the Gaia hypothesis.
- People and Planet in *Ecology: Usborne* Human population growth.
- •The future in *Ecology: Usborne* soil erosion, rainforest destruction, acid rain, desertification, habitat destruction, ozone depletion, greenhouse effect, practical action, genetic engineering, Antarctica.
- Building a compost heap in *Ecology: Usborne science* and experiments
- •Session #23: The White Buffalo Calf Woman and the Sacred Pipe in *Keepers of the Earth*Earth stewardship and earth cycles. Story used in Borchelt's *Companion* #11.
- •Galls: Small Homes for Tiny Creatures in Hands-On Nature
- •1: Experiences with Introductions in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •2: Experiences with our "piece of the earth" in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •12: Experiences with the food we eat in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •15 A Kwanzaa experience in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •23 Experiences with uniqueness in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •27 Experiences with friendship and cooperation in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •44 Experiences with our bodies as miracles in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •45 Experiences with remembering together in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •10: Appreciation of nature in *In Our Hands, Grades 1 3*
- •11: Feelings about nature in In Our Hands, Grades 1 3
- •12: The web of interdependence in *In Our Hands, Grades 1 3*
- •13: Partners with nature in In Our Hands, Grades 1 3
- •You Live on a Speck in a Spinning Spiral in The Kids' Book of Awesome Stuff
- •The Ancestor of All Your Ancestors Was Invisible in The Kids' Book of Awesome Stuff

• If There were No Bugs to Bug You in The Kids' Book of Awesome Stuff

•The Awesome Thing About Poop, Pee, and Stuff That Rots in The Kids' Book of Awesome Stuff

•14: Earth Awareness in In Our Hands, Grades 4 - 6

- Peace and Justice with our Earth in In Our Hands, Grades 4 6
- •15: Earth Interdependence in In Our Hands, Grades 4 6

•16: Earth Stewardship in In Our Hands, Grades 4 - 6

•Our Planet and Global Home (Session Six) in Building Your Spiritual Home

• Session 1: Creation in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth Uses Keepers of the Earth #3.

• Session 11: Unity of Earth in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth - uses KotE sessions #23 and #10.

•3: Making a covenant in Walking the Rainbow Path

- •5: Sacred places on earth in Walking the Rainbow Path
- •10: Being a seed of peace in Walking the Rainbow Path

•13: The many names of god in Walking the Rainbow Path

•20: Our actions can make a difference in the world in Walking the Rainbow Path

•22: Our commitment to the Web Of Life in Walking the Rainbow Path

•24 Henry David Thoreau in Walking the Rainbow Path

•25 The beauty around us and inside us in Walking the Rainbow Path

INTERDEPENDENT WEB - RESOURCES

- •Rise Up Singing
- •Project WILD
- Ecology: Usborne science and experiments
- •Play Lightly on the Earth
- Project Learning Tree
- •The Kids' Book of Awesome Stuff
- •Windows on the Wild
- ·Sharing Nature With Children
- •Sharing the Joy of Nature
- ·Singing the Living Tradition
- Ferry Beach Park Association
- Ferry Beach Ecology School
- •Predator: The Food Chain Game
- •Tom Brown's Field Guide to Nature and Survival For Children
- •Ranger Rick's Nature Scope Series
- •Nature for the Very Young
- •National Wildlife Week Educator's Guides
- Fostering a Sense of Wonder During the Early Childhood Years

INTERDEPENDENT WEB - SONGS

- •19 The Sun That Shines in Singing the Living Tradition
- •203 All creatures of the earth and sky in Singing the Living Tradition
- 402 From You I Receive in Singing the Living Tradition
- •Let it Be in Rise Up Singing
- •We Are the Flow in Rise Up Singing

INTERDEPENDENT WEB - STORY BOOKS

- •Who Speaks for Wolf
- •From a Distance
- Pass the Energy, Please!
- Earth Child
- •The Tree in the Ancient Forest

CYCLES

CYCLES - CURRICULA

•Keepers of the Night Primary, Elementary

•Lifetimes Primary

CYCLES - LESSONS DAILY CYCLES

•Cycles in nature in *Ecology: Usborne*

water cycle, carbon cycle, greenhouse effect, nitrogen cycle, mineral cycle.

•Session #7: How Grandmother Spider Stole the Sun in *Keepers of the Earth*A great story with activities about the diurnal cycle and the sun.

• How the Bat Came to Be in Keepers of the Night

• Moth, the Fire Dancer in Keepers of the Night

- •Oot-Kwah-Tah, the Seven Star Dancers; the Creation of the Moon in Keepers of the Night
- •Chipmunk and the Owl Sisters; the Great Lacrosse Game in Keepers of the Night

• How Grizzly Bear Climbed the Mountain in Keepers of the Night

LIFE CYCLES

•Session #22: The Origin of Death in Keepers of the Earth

Story and activities that address the cycle of life and death and the effect of human population growth on the Earth. See Borchelt's *Companion* #10.

• Insect Lives: Surviving the Seasons in Stages in Hands-On Nature

Could also be fauna or seasons!

- •9: Experiences with growth and change in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •30 Experiences related to aging in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •31 Experiences related to reproduction in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •32 Experiences with death and grief in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •12: Unique and Wonderful You in A Stepping Stone Year
- •13: Jesus' Birth Story and Yours in A Stepping Stone Year
- •14: Buddha's Birth Story and Yours in A Stepping Stone Year
- •26: The Mustard Seed Medicine in A Stepping Stone Year
- •27: The Road to Olelpanti in A Stepping Stone Year
- •28: The Tree with Forbidden Fruit in A Stepping Stone Year

ANNUAL CYCLES

• Change in nature in Ecology: Usborne

Seasonal changes, climate changes, landscape changes, butterfly metamorphosis

•Session #15: Spring Defeats Winter in Keepers of the Earth

Story and activities that address seasons and plant cycles. See Borchelt's Companion #7.

•Session #19: How Turtle Flew South for the Winter in Keepers of the Earth

A story with discussion and activities concerning winter, hibernation, migration, and an awesome activity about realizing your dreams.

• Animals in Winter: Many Ways to Cope With Winter in Hands-On Nature Clearly this could be under "Fauna" as well.

•Snug in the Snow: Snow Is a Welcome Blanket for Many in Hands-On Nature

•Winter Twigs: Signs of Four Seasons in Hands-On Nature

- •Winter Weeds: Rugged Remnants of Summer Flowers in Hands-On Nature
- •16 Experiences with life in winter in Experiences With the Web of Life

•The Wheel of the Year in Paganism 101

The celebratory circle of eight sabbats; making and consecrating magic wands.

•Session 10: Life, Death, Spirit in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth

Nurturing the Spirit - Nature Interconnection, page 4.

We become aware of the cycles of life and death and explore how death and loss affect our lives. Uses *Keepers of the Earth* session #22.

•Session 7: Seasons in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth

Seasonal changes on the planet. Uses Keepers of the Earth session #15.

- •9:Spring Makes our Earth Beautiful with Color in We Are Many We Are One
- •10: Spring Brings Changes to Our Earth in We Are Many We Are One
- •7: Winter Brings Changes to Our Earth in We Are Many We Are One

CYCLES - RESOURCES

- Reading the Outdoors at Night
- ·Seasonal Walks

Rev. Collins-Ranadive wants to remind us to take walks with the kids at the solstices and equinoxes, observing the signs of the changing year!

- Spring Holidays from a Unitarian Universalist Perspective
- •Winter Holidays from a Unitarian Universalist Perspective
- A Guide to Nature in Winter

CYCLES - SONGS

- •38 Morning Has Broken in Singing the Living Tradition
- •44 We Sing of Golden Mornings in Singing the Living Tradition
- •46 Now the Day is Over in Singing the Living Tradition
 - evening. Makes a great lullabye!
- •Down on the Farm in Rise Up Singing
 - by Molly Scott
- •One Grain of Sand in *Rise Up Singing*Lullaby stars, sand, grass, sleep
- How Lovely is the Evening in Rise Up Singing traditional German folk song, a round
- •Hymn for the Russian Earth in Rise Up Singing
- •51 Lady of the Turning Year in Singing the Living Tradition
- •73 Chant for the Seasons in *Singing the Living Tradition*hymn with accessible vocabulary less singable, but worth working on!
- •68 Come, Ye Thankful People in Singing the Living Tradition
- •62 When Daffodils Arrive in Singing the Living Tradition
- •61 Lo the Earth Awakes Again in Singing the Living Tradition
- •377 Doxology / Talis Canon variation in *Singing the Living Tradition*. The Old Hundredth tune in praise of spring!
- Apple Trees in Bloom in Rise Up Singing
 - melody given in Rise Up Singing; a lovely round apple trees in spring
- •66 When the Summer Sun is Shining in Singing the Living Tradition
- •Sumer is Icumen In in Rise Up Singing
- OK, so it's in Middle English. It's still great! Modern English translation in Rise up Singing, and it doesn't have to be sung as a round, but why not try it?
- •234 In the Gentle of the Moon in Singing the Living Tradition
 - verses one and two most green
- •235 Deck the Halls With Boughs of Holly in Singing the Living Tradition.
- •241 In the Bleak Midwinter in *Singing the Living Tradition* verse one is most green

CREATION & CREATIVITY

CREATION & CREATIVITY CURRICULA

• Celebrating Our Origins in the Universe Primary, Elementary

CREATION & CREATIVITY LESSONS

- •1: Introduction to Beginning Myths in A Stepping Stone Year
- •2: The Tree with Animal Fruit in A Stepping Stone Year
- •3: The First Animals Make People in A Stepping Stone Year
- •4: The Great Earth Goddess in A Stepping Stone Year
- •5: The First Seven Days and the Forbidden Fruit in A Stepping Stone Year
- •6: Heart of the Earth and Sky in A Stepping Stone Year
- •7: Raven story from the Haida Indians in A Stepping Stone Year
- •8: Stories in the Stars in A Stepping Stone Year
- •Yang and Yin and the Dwarf P'an Ku in Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death Chinese creation story
- Heart of the Earth and Sky in *Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death* Mayan creation story.
- •The First Three Things: Ice, Fire and Salt in *Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death* Icelandic creation story.
- •The First Seven Days and The Forbidden Fruit in *Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death* Hebrew creation story.
- •Out of the Caves of the World in Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death Zuni creation story.
- •The First Animals and the Twin Gods in Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death Iroquois creation story.
- The First Sunrise and Sunset in *Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death*Australian Aborigine creation story.
- From the Floating Bridge of Heaven in Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death Japanese creation story.
- A Box Full of Troubles in *Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death* Greek creation story.
- •The First Animals Make Man (humans) in *Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death* Miwok creation story.
- •The Road to Olelpanti in Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death Wintu creation story.
- •The Tree with Animal Fruit in *Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death* South African Bush creation story.

CREATION & CREATIVITY RESOURCES

- Nature Through Science and Art
- · Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death

EARTH SPIRIT

EARTH SPIRIT - CURRICULA

• Honoring Our Mother Earth: Experiences in Native American Spirituality Primary, Elementary

• When She Was Young: Stories of the Earth Goddess in Early Times and Places Elementary

• Paganism 101: a Unitarian Exploration of The New Paganism Young Adult and Adult

EARTH SPIRIT - LESSONS

• Medicine Wheel in Honoring Our Mother Earth

All things in the Universe are Equal; Introduces Native American Spirituality

• All Things are Connected in *Honoring Our Mother Earth* guided meditation children choose an animal name

 Mask Making in Honoring Our Mother Earth mask making personal ceremonial pendant

• Giving Thanks in Honoring Our Mother Earth smudging

•The Ceremony in *Honoring Our Mother Earth* short, can be part of larger service

•The Adventures of Kwan Yin in When She Was Young

•Gestinanna and Dumuzi in When She Was Young

•The Memory of Belit Sheri in When She Was Young

• Earth Mother in When She Was Young

•Like a River in When She Was Young

•Euronyme in When She Was Young

•Introduction in Paganism 101

What is paganism? The stone game.

•Ritual in Paganism 101

What is ritual? What is its place in spirituality? Salt water purification; kinesthetic body meditation.

•The Goddess and The God in Paganism 101

The Divine personified; mask making.

•Witchcraft in Paganism 101

The working circle; a spell to befriend our deep self.

•The Moon in Paganism 101

Symbols and meanings of the moon; guided meditation and divination.

•Where do We Go From Here? in Paganism 101

The meaning of Gaia; nature religion for real.

• Circling in Paganism 101

Why cast a circle? Eclectic ritual and guided meditation.

EARTH SPIRIT - SONGS

•21 For the Beauty of the Earth in Singing the Living Tradition

•The Earth is My Mother in Rise Up Singing

EARTH SPIRIT - STORY BOOKS

• Loving the Earth

• The Earth Is My Mother

ELEMENTS

ELEMENTS - CURRICULA

• WOW!: The Wonders of Wetlands Multi-age

ELEMENTS - LESSONS

AIR AND SKY

•Session #9: Gluscabi and the Wind Eagle in Keepers of the Earth

An Abenaki story and activities that address wind, air pollution, and seed dispersal.

Corresponds to Borchelt's A Companion session #4

•Session #13: How Coyote Was the Moon in Keepers of the Earth

The moon and eclipses. Story used in Borchelt's A Companion #6.

- •Session #14: How Fisher Went to the Skyland: The Origin of the Big Dipper in *Keepers of the Earth*Story and activities that address astronomy, constellations, and stargazing. Activity used in Borchelt's *A Companion* session #6.
- •Snow and More: Crystals in the Clouds in Hands-On Nature
- •Breath of Life: Earth's Invisible Blanket in Hands-On Nature
- •Sound Symphony: Good Vibrations in Hands-On Nature
- •Wind and Clouds: Reading the Sky in Hands-On Nature

EARTH

•The environment in *Ecology: Usborne*

geology, climate, soil, plant experiments

•Session #8: Rock stories in Keepers of the Earth

Stories and activities that address geology and soil. One activity is used in Borchelt's *A Companion* session #3

- Finding Your Way: Clues that Give Us Directions in Hands-On Nature
- Erosion: Shaping the Landscape in Hands-On Nature
- Pebbles and Rocks: Archives of Earth's History in Hands-On Nature
- •10: Stories in Rocks and Bones in A Stepping Stone Year

FIRE AND SUN

•Session #6: Loo-Wit, The Fire-Keeper in Keepers of the Earth

A Nisqually story and activities that address energy sources, use, and conservation. See Borchelt's *Companion* #2

•Sun Power: Energy for Life in Hands-On Nature

WATER AND SEA

•The ocean in Ecology: Usborne

marine habitats, food cycle, and pollution

•Session #10: Water stories in Keepers of the Earth

Stories and activities that address fresh water and its inhabitants and the water cycle. Story used in Borchelt's *A Companion* session #5; Activity used in Borchelt (2001) session #11.

•Session #11: Stories about the Ocean in Keepers of the Earth

Two stories with discussions of Inuit survival in extreme conditions and activities about fluid dynamics, marine life, salt water, and Inuit life.

•Session #12: How Raven Made the Tides in Keepers of the Earth

A story with discussion of tidal mechanics and activities concerning the sea, seashore creatures, and quiet meditation in and observation of the tidal zone.

- •Streams: the Challenge of a Moving, Watery World in Hands-On Nature
- Ponds: Life in Still Waters in Hands-On Nature
- •Water, Water Everywhere: Journey Through the Water Cycle in Hands-On Nature

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- •19 Experiences with rain and the web of life in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •43 Experiences related to clean water in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •9: Stories in a Drop of Water in A Stepping Stone Year

· You're Made of Star-Stuff in The Kids' Book of Awesome Stuff

You're related to everything on Earth, because all things come from the same star-stuff.

•The Elements in Paganism 101

The elements and directions and their attributes and correspondences; passing the talking stick; elemental spiral dance.

- •28: My World Has Darkness in Celebrating Me and My World
- •29: My World Has Light in Celebrating Me and My World
- •Session 4: Air in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth

We become aware of the air as wind and weather. Uses Keepers of the Earth session #9.

•Session 5: Water in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth

We become aware of water as necessary to life. Uses Keepers of the Earth session #10.

•Session 6: Sky in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth

The sky and celestial objects. UsesKeepers of the Earth sessions #13 and #14.

- •27: My World Has Air in Celebrating Me and My World
- •Session 3: Earth in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth

We become aware of the earth, soil, and rocks. Uses Keepers of the Earth sessions #8 and #4.

- •30: My World Has Sand and Soil in Celebrating Me and My World
- •Session 2: Fire in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth

We become aware of many kinds of fire in the world. Uses Keepers of the Earth session #6.

- •26: My World Has Water in Celebrating Me and My World
- •8: We Need the Rain in We Are Many We Are One

ELEMENTS - RESOURCES

• Brother Sun, Sister Moon: A personal resource collection of stories, poems, songs, and graphics A great resource to supplement adult personal study or to assist in preparing worship for all ages. roughly 30 pages.

• Find the Constellations

ELEMENTS - SONGS

- •100 I've Got Peace Like a River in Singing the Living Tradition
- •387 The Earth, Water, Fire, Air in Singing the Living Tradition
- •11 O God of Stars and Sunlight in Singing the Living Tradition
- •363 Alleluia! Sang Stars in Singing the Living Tradition
- -505 Anciala. Sang Stars in Singing the Brong 11
- •I Circle Around in Rise Up Singing
- •362 Rise Up, O Flame in Singing the Living Tradition
- Canoe Round in Rise Up Singing
- •The Element Song by Tom Lehrer

• ELEMENTS - STORY BOOKS

- Bring the Rain to Kapiti Plain
- Earth, Fire, Water, Air
- The World Beyond the Waves
- · All Around Us

FAUNA

FAUNA - CURRICULA

- Keepers of the Animals Primary, elementary
- Animal Helpers Preschool

FAUNA - LESSONS

- •Building a bird table in Ecology: Usborne science and experiments
- •Session #20: Gluscabi and the Game Animals in Keepers of the Earth

Story and activities that address the relationship of predator and prey. Corresponds to Borchelt 's *A Companion* session #9.

- •Session #21: Awi Usdi, the Little Deer in *Keepers of the Earth* Animal species survival and our role as stewards.
- Amazing Insects: Adapted and Adaptable in Hands-On Nature

RE Supplement for this lesson is available from Seventh Principle Project.

• Hunter - Hunted: A Complex Relationship in Hands-On Nature

RE Supplement for this lesson is available from Seventh Principle Project.

- •Teeth and Skulls: Dentition Determines the Diet in *Hands-On Nature*RE Supplement for this lesson is available from Seventh Principle Project.
- •Beaks, Feet, and Feathers: Fantastic Flying Machines in *Hands-On Nature*RE Supplement for this lesson is available from Seventh Principle Project.
- •Owls: Silent Predators of the Night in Hands-On Nature

RE Supplement for this lesson is available from Seventh Principle Project.

- Frogs and Polliwogs: Miraculous Transformation in *Hands-On Nature*RE Supplement for this lesson is available from Seventh Principle Project.
- •Life in a Field: Exposed to the Elements in Hands-On Nature
- Forest Floor: Home of the Hidden Workers in Hands-On Nature
- White-Tailed Deer: Elusive Beauty of Woods and Field in Hands-On Nature
- •Fly Away or Stay?: Where Do the Birds Go and Why? in Hands-On Nature
- •Bird Songs: Musical Messages in Hands-On Nature
- •Spiders and Webs: Webs and Their Weavers in Hands-On Nature
- Tracks and Traces: Clues that Tell a Tale in Hands-On Nature
- Camouflage: Designed to Conceal in Hands-On Nature
- Honeybees: Hives and Honey in Hands-On Nature
- •3: Experiences with moths and butterflies in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •4: Experiences with insects in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •8: Experiences related to bats in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •10: Experiences with squirrels in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •13: Experiences with woodpeckers in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •17 Experiences with litters and runts in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •18 Experiences with pets in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •20 Experiences with spiders and webs I in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •21 Experiences with things that hatch from eggs in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •22 Experiences related to pigs as food in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •24 Experiences with how we treat wild things in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •25 Experiences with rodents in Experiences With the Web of Life .
- •28 Experiences with spiders and webs II in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •29 Experiences with crickets and grasshoppers in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •34 Experiences with earthworms in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •36 Experiences with related to birds II in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •37 Experiences with a cat in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •38 Experiences related to bees I in Experiences With the Web of Life

•39 Experiences related to bees II in Experiences With the Web of Life

•40 Experiences with moths and butterflies in Experiences With the Web of Life

•11: Stories in Animals in A Stepping Stone Year

•Session 9: Animals in *Supplement to Keepers of the Earth* We become aware of the role animals play in the cycles of the earth. Uses *Keepers of the Earth* session #20.

•1: Meeting Our Animal Helpers in Animal Helpers

This session introduces guided meditation and identification with an Animal Helper.

•2: Helping Animals of the Air in Animal Helpers

In this session we build a nest, learn about the air, and make window-clings to help birds avoid windows.

•3: Helping Animals of the Land in Animal Helpers

In this session we learn about the forest, and make terrariums to take home.

•4: Helping Animals of the Water in Animal Helpers

In this session we learn about water, and find ways to save water in our own church building.

•5: Mask Making in Animal Helpers

In this session we make masks and move and play like our Animal Helpers

•6: Story Making in Animal Helpers

In this session we make a story about our Animal Helpers and cooperation.

•7: Children's Sunday in Animal Helpers

This worship and presentation can easily be part of a larger worship service.

•23: My World Has Animals in Celebrating Me and My World

•24: My World Has Fish in Celebrating Me and My World

•25: My World Has Birds in Celebrating Me and My World

FAUNA - RESOURCES

• A Guide to Bird Behavior I & II

• A Guide to Observing Insect Lives

• A Guide to Animal Tracking and Behavior

• TOPS Learning Systems: Animal Survival

FAUNA - STORY BOOKS

• Every Living Thing

- · Hawk, I'm Your Brother
- Prince William
- The Legend of the Whale

• The Lady and the Spider

• Tano and Binti, Two Chimpanzees Return to the Wild

FLORA

FLORA - CURRICULA

• Keepers of Life Primary, Elementary

FLORA - LESSONS

•Session #16: The Coming of Corn in Keepers of the Earth

Farming, the nutrient cycle, farmers and the soil. See Borchelt's Companion #8.

•Session #18: Kokopilau, the Hump-Backed Flute Player in Keepers of the Earth

A story with discussion and activities concerning insects, flowers, and pollination.

- •Grasses: Slender Stalks with Seeds that Nourish the World in *Hands-On Nature* RE Supplement for this lesson is available from Seventh Principle Project.
- •Thorns and Threats: Plants' and Animals' Strategic Defenses in *Hands-On Nature* RE Supplement for this lesson is available from Seventh Principle Project.
- •Seed Dispersal: Ingenious Ways to Get Around in Hands-On Nature
- •Inside a Flower: Making a New Generation in Hands-On Nature
- Dandelions: Survivors in a Challenging World in Hands-On Nature
- Variations on a Leaf: The Great Producers in Hands-On Nature
- •9: Experiences with bulbs and seeds in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •26 Experiences related to miracles in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •33 Experiences with wild flowers in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •35 Experiences with gardening in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •42 Experiences with grass and grains in Experiences With the Web of Life
- •The Sky Tree; How Kishelmukong Made the People and the Seasons in Keepers of Life
- •The Thanks to the Trees in Keepers of Life
- •The Circle of Life and the Clambake in Keepers of Life
- Fallen Star's Ears in Keepers of Life
- •Koluskap and Malsom in Keepers of Life
- Why Some Trees Are Always Green in Keepers of Life
- •The Bitterroot; Indian Summer in Keepers of Life
- •The First Basket in Keepers of Life
- •Blue Dawn in Keepers of Life
- •The Woman Who Lives in the Earth; Waw Giwulk The Center of the Basket in Keepers of Life
- How Fox Brought the Forests From the Sky; the People of Maize in Keepers of Life
- ·Waynabozho and the Wild Rice in Keepers of Life
- •The Buffalo Bull and the Wild Rice in Keepers of Life
- •You're Saved by Something Green in *The Kids' Book of Awesome Stuff* You're part of Earth's systems. You and plants breathe together.
- •Session 8: Plants in Supplement to Keepers of the Earth

The role plants play in the cycles of the earth. Uses Keepers of the Earth session #16.

•32: My World Has Flowers in Celebrating Me and My World

FLORA - RESOURCES

• A Guide to Enjoying Wildflowers - Stokes' Nature Guides.

FLORA - SONGS

•I Love the Flowers in *Rise Up Singing*That great old campfire round - flowers, daffodils, mountains, and firelight!

FLORA - STORY BOOKS

- Miss Rumphius
- · Noah's Wife: The Story of Naamah