

LEARNING RESOURCES

A ONE-STOP TEACHERS' SHOPPING LIST

This section contains a selection of resource materials and classroom support activities of interest to teachers in British Columbia. Companies, government agencies and other associations are welcome to submit items for inclusion in this section.

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▲ **BRIDGING THE DISTANCE: CHILDREN TAKING ACTION FOR THE ENVIRONMENT.** This hands-on interdisciplinary resource kit provides activities focusing on protecting the environment in schools, communities and developing countries. Students will be able to see their local environmental issues in a global context, and develop a sense of solidarity with children of other nations. Case studies, game, slides, poster, role play, newspaper, diary and more activity ideas are included. Grades 6-8. Cost: \$29.95.



BC Teachers' Federation Lesson Aids Service

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▲ **SQUIRTS AND SNAILS AND SKINNY GREEN TAILS- SEASHORE NATURE ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS.** Diane Swanson. 64 p. © 1993. This illustrated resource and activity book includes simple step-by-step activities, which children can follow independently. Applicable to any seashore, this book instills in children a respect for nature. Numerous illustrations and sidebars containing fascinating facts accompany the activities. Grades 1-6. Cost: \$9.95.

▲ DEVELOPING WITH PHOTOWORKS.

Carla Evans. 200 p. © 1997. This book was written to encourage students to use photography to see their world around them. The activities in this book can assist students in learning about themselves, others, the environment, their goals, career orientation and decision-making. Included are lesson plans, activities, guidesheets, practical tips and more. The activities can be used in Career and Personal Planning, Language



Arts, Social Studies and Art. Grades 4-12. Cost: \$20.00.

STÓ:LŌ Heritage Trust

Chilliwack, BC
Phone: (604) 858-3366 or
Toll-Free: 1-800-565-6004
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▲ **I AM STÓ:LŌ!** Keith Thor Carlson. Join Katherine, a young Stó:lō girl, as she explores her aboriginal heritage through the teachings of her Elders and family. Discover with her the meaning of cultural traditions, and share Katherine's pride as she learns about the importance of her people's past. This book meets with current IRPs. A Teacher's Guide can also be purchased that will assist with lesson planning. Grade 4. Text Book: \$23.00. Teacher's Guide: \$20.00.

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▲ **ENERGY, THE PULSE OF LIFE.** This is a three-part, award-winning classroom video series, which explores the gamut of energy-related topics within the curriculum for Grades 7 through 12. The videos feature animation, original footage, songs by Canadian pop group *Moxy Fruvous*, and interviews from across North America. Comprehensive teachers' guidebooks are also included. Titles: Part 1: The Science of Energy; Part 2: Energy Choices: A Changing Environment; Part 3: Energy Choices: Some Brighter Ideas. Cost: Individual \$99.00 Complete Series is \$199.00 plus postage and tax.

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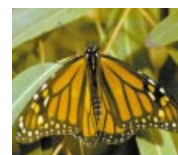
▲ **TRFIC! A TEMPERATE RAINFOREST TEACHER'S GUIDE AND POSTER KIT FOR INTERMEDIATE GRADES.** Susan Gage. 64 p. *TRFic!* is a kit designed for intermediate grades containing four full-colour posters depicting various aspects of the coastal temperate rainforest. The resource also includes a student/teacher guidebook containing information



and activities to educate students about Canadian rainforests, plants and animals and the connections between forests and people. Cost: \$19.50 plus \$4.75 shipping and handling.

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▲ **MONARCHS IN THE CLASSROOM.** 225+ p. This program explores the monarch butterfly's biology, life cycle and migration challenges, combining extensive content on the life science of monarch butterflies with curriculum materials that integrate concepts and skills across many subject areas. Classroom support materials include curriculum guides, scripted slide sets, board game, video and larval field guide. Grades K-8. Cost \$15 each.

Gage Educational Publishing Co.

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▲ **A FIELD TRIP TO THE SEA DELUXE.** This interactive CD-ROM introduces students to the diversity of life found in marine environments such as rocky shores, coral reefs, the ocean abyss, tide pools and the open sea. Through video, photography, sound and illustrations, students hone their observation skills, conduct scientific research and present their findings. Grades 4-8. Cost: Lab Pack of 10: \$129.95



The Agricultural Workforce Policy Board

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▲ **FOOD FOR THOUGHT.** This CD-ROM is based on the experiences of Canadian youth exploring employment options and career potential in agriculture. The CD includes video segments and interactive games, questionnaires to

illustrate career choices, goals and training, as well as discussions regarding salary expectations, lifestyle choices, careers and post-secondary education. Grades 9-12.

BC Dairy Foundation

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▲ **PASSPORT TO HEALTHY LIVING.** This is an integrated program that combines physical activity with nutritional and environmental awareness. The class plans and participates in some form of activity, while considering the consequences of their choice on the environment. Grades 4-7. Cost: \$10.00.

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- Website for teachers and students: www.foredbc.org
- Teacher training workshops for a variety of grade levels with a focus on resources such as trees, wildlife, water, minerals, soil, as well as related careers and aboriginal forest practices.
- Information and activity packages in response to teacher topic requests.
- Idea exchange sessions for teachers and natural resource sector professionals.
- Training workshops for education volunteers from industry and government.
- Advice and services for classroom presenters.
- Review of curriculum packages related to environmental education topics.
- Participation in and provision of speakers for Provincial Specialty Association conferences.

TREEVIA QUESTIONS

See answers on page 16.

1. Which of the following woods is the most decay-resistant?
 - a) Birches
 - b) Maples
 - c) Cedars
2. Name two products usually made of cedar.
3. What is the popular name for exterior siding made from western red cedar?

- Courtesy of Canadian Council of Forest Ministers

HOME PAGES

• SCI-CENTRAL

<http://www.scicentral.com/K-12>

This science-based site includes a list of links on topics ranging from science biography to gems and minerals to the history of science. Science news and articles on women and minorities in science are also featured.

• GOALS: GLOBAL ON-LINE ADVENTURE LEARNING

<http://www.goals.com>

Explorers of all ages are invited to embark on on-line educational adventures. Learn about the sciences, technology and the laws of nature.

• OH CANADA! CANADIAN HISTORY ON THE INTERNET

<http://www.macabees.ab.ca/canada/canhist.html>

This URL has an abundance of information on all aspects of Canadian history, with links to other Canadian historical and archival sites.



• CHILDREN'S LITERATURE WEB GUIDE

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/~dkbrown>

This website, organized by David Brown from the University of Calgary, offers information on books for children and young adults.

• EPA EXPLORER'S CLUB

<http://www.epa.gov/kids>

The *EPA Explorer's Club* website contains environmental activities which challenge students to consider ecology in their lives. There are many interactive games and other activities throughout the site.

• GEOGRAPHIA

<http://www.geographia.com>

Virtual destinations around the globe to help your students further experience the physical geography of the world around them.

