

Teacher Note

Encourage students to share their Clean Earth Challenge activities and experiences with their families by sending home the <u>Clean Earth Challenge Family Packet</u>. It includes literacy connections and social-emotional guiding questions, Clean Earth Challenge family participation instructions, and a child activity page.

Class Action

• As a class, schedule time to pick up litter on the school grounds or nature nearby (don't forget to recycle what can be recycled). Remember to use the <u>Clean Earth Challenge data collection form</u> to track what's collected. Print the form and take it to your cleanup. Once complete either take a legible photo or scan as a PDF and email it to cleanearthchallenge@nwf.org. Find other details here: https://cleanearthchallenge.com/.



Literature Connections--Check your local library for these books that celebrate the different ways we experience nature. Then use the guiding questions to talk as a family.

- 1.I Am A Bird, Hope Lim
- 2. The Hike. Alison Farrell
- 3. Where Wonder Grows, Xelena González
- 4. Señorita Mariposa, Ben Gundersheimer
 - Guiding Questions for Families
 - How does the story make you feel?
 - Is there something you like in the story that you want to find in nature?
 - What do you like most about being in nature?
 - Parents/Guardians: When you were a kid, what did you do in nature with your family?

Family Page Activities

- Go to www.cleanearthchallenge.com and follow three easy steps to participate and help us reach our goal of keeping one million pieces of trash and debris from harming wildlife and communities.
 - Register and watch the video.
 - Together, choose a day and location to pick up trash.
 - Measure your impact using the Litterati app or provided data collection worksheet.
- Complete the family activity page together or as an additional learning opportunity for your child(ren).

Answer Key: 1) true 2) true 3) false 4) 156 5) 500

Learning Together

1.	Trash is harmful to wildlife.	true	false
2.	Clean water is important to humans and wildlife.	true	false
3.	Picking up trash is a waste of time.	true	false
4.	In the United States, we use a lot of plastic water bottles. On average, how many plastic water bottles does a single person use in one year?		
	156	232	403
5.	In the United States, we als you think we use everyday?		s. How many straws do
	1 million	50 million	500 million
6. List some of the items you found when picking up trash. Circle th of trash you all found the most e.g. plastic, paper, metal, etc.			•
	The	family, ple	dges to pick up trash
	and recycle it or throw it away, to protect wildlife, habitat, and our		
	community.		