



How to be an Eco Explorer

Fun Activities for Exploring Nature and Saving the Planet



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Beloved children's TV presenter Yusef Rafik invites you on an eco adventure, exploring 10 key ecosystems learning fascinating nature facts and discovering planet-saving activities.

Explore gardens, forests, cities, inside your own home and more, and discover:

- **ECOSYSTEM FACTS:** learn all about how the ecosystem works, including the challenges it faces.
- **SMALL SOLUTIONS:** discover small things we can do to help solve these challenges.
- **HABITAT HEROES:** meet under-appreciated animal heroes that are crucial to making the ecosystem work, such as pond snails or cellar spiders.
- **PRACTICAL ACTIVITIES:** enjoy 20 step-by-step activities that you can try at home – learn how to make your own rainwater harvester or bathyscope for spying critters underwater!

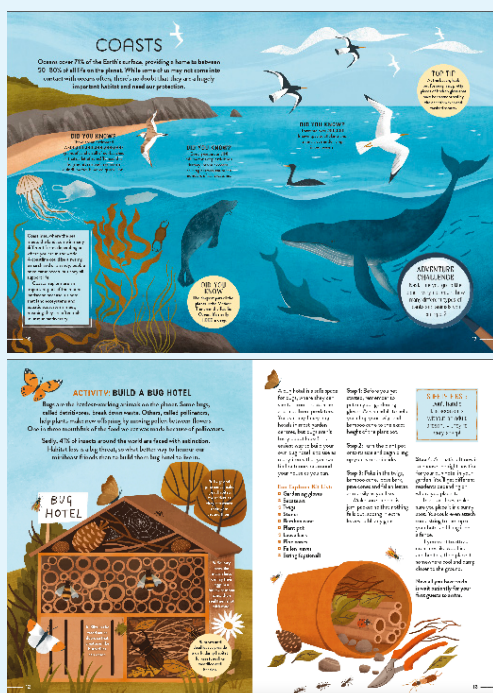
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You don't need any fancy equipment or a big garden to become an eco explorer!

WHY IT MATTERS: The impact of global-warming and other ecological threats can feel scary, so it is comforting and empowering for children to have practical things to do to create positive change.

FOR FANS OF *Exploring Nature Activity Book* by Kim Andrews, *What a Waste* by Jess French, *Grow, Forage and Make* by Alice Fowler, *Out and About Night Explorer* by Robin Swift and *The Incredible Ecosystems of Planet Earth* by Rachel Ignatofsky.

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