

HELLO, FAMILY!

Over the next three weeks, our class will build their knowledge about protecting the planet, with a focus on the persuasive text genre. We will read texts and view videos about what people can do to take care of our planet. Children will also write a speech for an imaginary school council meeting.

BRING IT HOME! Learning fun for the whole family!

Discuss the Topic

Set aside time daily for your child to share what he or she is learning. Use these ideas to discuss the topic:

- Talk about the ideas your child has added to the Knowledge Map each week.
- Ask about the texts your child is reading and what he or she has learned.



Explore the Genre

The genre focus in this module is persuasive text. Discuss with your child how to analyze the reasons given in a persuasive text to decide if they are convincing.

Ask your child to read to you each day and make time to read together.

Look for texts that:

- spark your child's curiosity
- tie to the module topic
- use descriptive language
- have engaging photographs or illustrations

Build Vocabulary

Use these ideas to help your child build a rich vocabulary.

The Big Idea Reinforce the topic words *ecology*, *recycle*, *conservation*, and *sanctuary* in everyday conversations with your child. Use prompts like these: What items can we **recycle**? How could we help the **conservation** movement?

What Does It Mean? Have your child keep a growing list of the Critical Vocabulary words. Quiz each other on their meanings.

Word Hunt Look for words with the suffixes *-able*, *-ible*, *-ful*, *-ous*, *-less*, *-en*, *-ic* in books, magazines, and online texts.