



How to Help a Hedgehog and Protect a Polar Bear

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This is a fascinating guide to different habitats in the world and the richness of the wildlife which can be found there. Each double page spread is clearly laid out with excellent art work and clear information including a selection of fact files. Young readers are encouraged to visit different local environments and learn about the species living there.

The writer points out that these habitats are under threat and explains the reasons, for example from the actions of developers, farming methods, pollution and global warming. She doesn't stop at awareness raising however, this is also a call to action outlining how each individual can make a difference in direct and practical ways for example by staying on paths and keeping dogs on leads in heathland or woodland areas and putting rubbish in the bin. Some ideas will involve children talking to their parents using their 'pester power' for example about the disposal of batteries, by creating holes in fences to allow hedgehogs to find food, or in building an insect hotel, like the rather splendid one illustrated. The back of the book includes a useful glossary and additional information about endangered animals and migration.

The writer's knowledge of the natural world and passion for conservation shines through this fascinating book. A collaboration between the publisher Nosy Crow and The National Trust this would be a brilliant present for young environmentalists and a great addition to library and classroom collections.

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