

# Appendix Two - Recommended Books

Copy this list for your school Librarian or your District Resource Centre manager.

## **Backyard Biodiversity and Beyond - A Handbook for Students and Teachers**

by Deanna Binder, Stewart Guy and Briony Penn. Produced by the Province of British Columbia and the Department of Canadian Heritage, Parks Canada, 1994. Includes five modules plus introduction and appendices.

*An excellent compendium of ideas and activities for teaching concepts relating to biodiversity and the ecosystems of British Columbia.*

Copies available from: Environmental Education Coordinator, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks, Public Affairs and Communications Branch, 810, Blanshard Street, Victoria BC V8V 1X4

## **Green Giants: Rainforests of the Pacific Northwest**

by Tom Parkin, produced by Douglas and McIntyre Vancouver, 1992. 48 pages.

*Clear intermediate-level explanations of ecology and issues relating to old rainforest trees. Lots of very appropriate colour photos.*

## **Field Guide to Western Birds**

by Roger Tory Peterson, Peterson Field Guide Series, third edition. Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston, 1990.

*A standard bird identification guide, one of the best.*

## **Mammals of the Canadian Wild**

by Adrian Forsyth. Published by Camden House, Camden East, Ontario. 1985.

*Mammal identification, distribution etc. and offers Canadian natural history insights.*

## **Plants of Southern Interior British Columbia**

by Pojar, et al. Published by Lone Pine, Edmonton, 1995.

*Excellent for plant identification, plus ethnobotany and natural history notes, lots of colour pictures. Includes trees shrubs, herbs, ferns, mosses and lichens.*

## **A Tree in the Forest**

by Carol Reed-Jones, published by Dawn Publications, Nevada City, California (1995).

*Excellent illustrations; a kid's book patterned on "The House That Jack Built" to show how creatures are interrelated in ecosystems.*

**Trees, Shrubs and Flowers to Know in British Columbia and Washington**

by C.P. Lyons and Bill Merilees. Published by Lone Pine, Edmonton, 1995.  
*A reliable standby, newly revised. Excellent B&W sketches complemented by centre pages of colour photos. If you can afford only one plant book, this is it!*

**Wildlife Trees in British Columbia: Discovering Animal Inns**

Compiled by Kerrie Post, edited by Andrew Gardner. Developed by Project Wild for Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and the Canadian Agreement on Forest Research Development, 1994. *Great activities for teaching about snags and their importance in a forest ecosystem. Weaves in concepts of nutrient cycling, ecosystems, protection of wildlife trees.*