

**2009 Summer Reading “Hot Pics”
“Be Green and Be Healthy!”
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Internet Resources

The National Environmental Education Foundation www.neefusa.org

The National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF) provides knowledge to solve everyday environmental problems. NEEF provides additional educational resources and opportunities, such as [education programs](#) during Environmental Education Week, and environmental grants for teachers and high school students.

Go Green with Your Kids! <http://www.ivillage.com/green/family>

This website is phenomenal! It provides lots of tips for helping your children go green and be environmentally responsible, and the ideas include the entire family. Plus, the tips are targeted to specific age groups (e.g., preschool, grades 1-3, grades 4-6, grades 7-8, and high school) in order to maximize children’s participation and the fun of green living.

Healthy Kids Go Green <http://www.healthy-kids-go-green.com>

This website provides information for kids and parents who are interested in going green and getting healthy! The website is friendly and easy-to-use, and it even has great videos, like Disney kids talking about what they do to be green, and a cool video about planet Earth, that are easy to access. Kids will find lots of [activities and fun projects](#) to do while discovering how to go green and help our planet. And parents will find [eco-friendly ideas and important information](#) to keep your family safe and healthy at [home](#) and in [school](#)!

Arthur’s Go Green Challenge!! <http://pbskids.org/arthur/thetreehouse/gogreen>

Arthur, a popular character for children ages 4-8, is going green! When kids come to the webpage, they can pick a challenge (e.g., water, food, clothes, getting around). Then, they can open the challenge and print out the worksheet that helps them to keep track of all the times that they go green. For example, on the water challenge, the worksheet includes activities such as “I turn off the faucets and make sure they are not leaking” and “I put tap water in a reusable container rather than drinking bottled water.” Kids can check these activities off to show that they are “living green.”

US Government's Website: Environment, Energy, and Agriculture

http://www.usa.gov/Citizen/Topics/Environment_Agriculture.shtml

Most of us may not think of the government's website as a resource for children, but it does have really good information about the environment, energy, and agriculture. President Obama has advocated for environmentally-conscious policies and practices, and there are quotes and excerpts from his speeches directly on the website. There is also great information about ways that families can live greener lives (e.g., hybrid cars, energy-efficient appliances, green homes and communities). And, the website discusses national initiatives that are eco-friendly, such as President Obama's program to develop the renewable energy projects on the waters of our Outer Continental Shelf that produce electricity from wind, wave, and ocean currents.

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