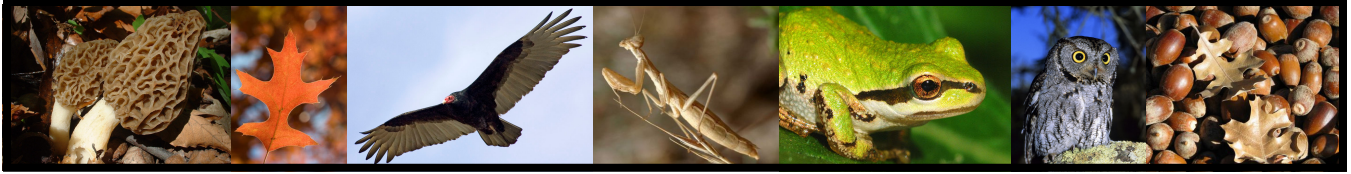


"For eons, human beings spent most of their formative years in nature. But within the space of a few decades, the way children understand and experience nature has changed radically." Richard Louv, *Last Child in the Woods*



Falling Leaves, Turning Pages: Take Your Book Outside to Read!

October-November-December



Just because it's Autumn doesn't mean you have to play inside. Take a book about nature outside and sit and read it. See some of the books below for ideas of books to read outside and do some of the activities they suggest. Or just take your favorite book and sit in your backyard, on your porch or even near an open window and enjoy the fresh air and sunshine while you read.

Help shape a community that once again believes it's normal & expected for children to be outside & playing in natural areas!

- Great Acorn Mystery
Ellen Stoll Walsh
- A Ladybug's Life
John Himmelman
- Andrew Henry's Meadow
Doris Burn
- Why Should I Protect Nature?
Jen Green
- Nature Hide & Seek Jungles
John Norris Wood
- How Nature Works
David Burnie

The *Amador Children in Nature* is part of a growing movement across the country focusing on helping young and old create healthier lives and more vibrant communities by restoring their relationship with nature and each other. <http://www.first5amador.com/acin.html>

Write your Own Nature Story!



- Go for a walk & pay close attention to what you see.
- Make your own book by folding some paper in half.
- Write a story about something that you saw or something that happened on your walk.
- Illustrate your book with drawings or pictures from a magazine.
- Read your book to a younger child.



I read _____ when I was _____ .
(name of book) (where you read it)

My zip code: _____ My age: 0-5: ___ 6-12: ___ 13-18: ___
No. of Adults in my house: _____ No. of kids in my house: _____

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