



Every Day is Earth Day! (Part 2- Arbor Day)

Essential Question: How can we help to “Restore our Earth”?

What’s low-tech, sustainable and possibly the most effective thing we can do to fight climate change? Planting trees. A trillion of them. In this lesson students will take a journey through the Amazon Rain Forest to learn about “The Great Kapok Tree”. Students will reflect on the need to “Restore our Earth”, recognize and evaluate significant choices and consequences that have impacted our lives and futures, and generate and compare multiple solutions that lie within their abilities or constraints.

The classroom teacher will receive one tree sapling from the Arbor Day Foundation (Provided by Greenbush) to plant with the students at their school or in their community in celebration of Arbor Day 2021.

- 3-5-ETS1-1. Define a simple design problem reflecting a need or a want that includes specified criteria for success and constraints on materials, time, or cost.
- 3-5-ETS1-2. Generate and compare multiple possible solutions to a problem based on how well each is likely to meet the criteria and constraints of the problem.
- HGSS Benchmark 1.1 The students will recognize and evaluate significant choices and consequences that have impacted our lives and futures.