

THE HABITAT IS WHERE IT'S AT!

PRODUCTION NOTES and SCRIPT

Setting the Stage:

Prop Suggestions: Trees on both sides of the puppet stage (Real or artificial depending on area)

Plant materials on both sides of stage platform...grasses and cattails Rocks can be made from crumpled paper bags. Logs can be made out of paper mache if the weight of real logs would not work on the platform. The size of the props depends on the size of the puppets.

You will need to make or collect percussion instruments: Shakers, drums and sticks make up the foundation and can easily be created out of recyclables

All puppets are made from recycled and repurposed materials.

You will need to assign parts according to the number of performers. The script can be expanded to accommodate any number of kids...parts can be shared and lines can be divided. so each student will know what puppet/puppets to make.

You can have 1 or 2 narrators to do the opening. It is divided below for 2

OPENING

NARRATOR: **The Habitat is Where It's At!**

The percussion band starts out with **DRUMS** and everyone chants : **The Habitat Is Where It's At! (audience echoes) Drums stop**

STICKS play the rhythm and everyone chants : **The Habitat Is Where It's At! (audience echoes) Sticks stop**

SHAKERS play the rhythm everyone chants : **The Habitat Is Where It's At! (audience echoes) Shakers stop**

DRUMS. STICKS AND SHAKERS play the rhythm chants : **The Habitat Is Where It's At! (audience echoes)**

EVERYONE: **The Habitat (pause) Is Where It's At!**

NARRATOR 1 **We need a world that is nice and clean**

NARRATOR 2 **Hills and valleys and rivers and streams**

NARRATOR 1 **Prairies and Forests** **NARRATOR 2:** **Space to roam**

TOGETHER **Everybody needs a home** **The Habitat is where it's at!**

PERCUSSION Echoes **The Habitat is where it's at!** and then plays the rhythm together then shakers drop out Drums and sticks play once and then sticks drop out Drums play softly once and then everyone shouts **The Habitat is where it's at!**

Puppets make an entrance from each side of the stage, coming out around the plants and rocks
Puppets join in the center. Lines can be divided for the number of puppets.

SNAKE 1: **Slithery Slide Slithery Slide**
With all this junk there's no place to hide!

SNAKE 2: **Around and around and around I coil**
Hoping there isn't contamination in the soil!



TURTLE: **Slip and slide....Sloooowly roam**
All this litter will ruin our home

TURTLE 2: **I carry my house along with me**
But I still need clean water in rivers and the sea



Percussion x2



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BIRDS and BUTTERFLIES: Come in from higher on sides, over top of stage or from behind the trees in front of the stage or can be suspended by fish line and attached to a dowel rod and fly down over the top of the stage or from the tops of the trees

BIRD 1: Flying low...Flying high... Flying free
When I look down...lots of litter I see

BIRD 2: Up above the world so high
I want to see a clean world when I fly



BUTTERFLY 1: Whirling...twirling everywhere
We can't dance without clean air

BUTTERFLY 2: Factories and cars...too much of pollution
We all need to work to find a solution



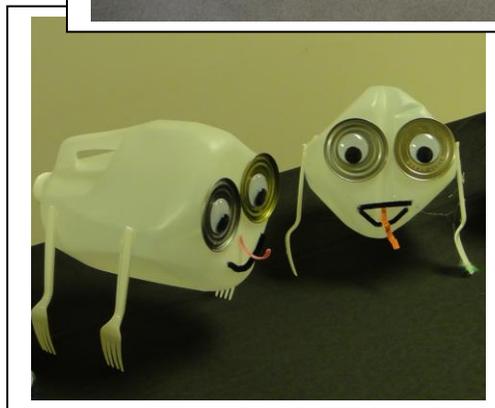
PERCUSSION X2

**The Habitat is where it's
At!**

FROGS: Hop in from each side and stay behind the cattails and grass

FROG 1: I'm an old green frog...sitting on a log
When the water is clean, I like to jump in the bog

FROG 2: Hippity Hippity Hippity Hop
With all this trash, there's no place to stop.



FISH: Can swim from fish line suspended with dowel rods
below the platform of the stage

FISH 1: I love to float....I love to swim
If the lake is clean...you can all come in!

FISH 2: Sparkling water in river and stream
That is everybody's dream



PERCUSSION X2

**The Habitat is Where It's
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ANIMALS: Chose animals from your local areas where the habitat has been changed:
Divide the lines for number of puppets

BEAR DEER FOX COYOTE WOLFE

**BEAR
WOLFE**

**We used to have a beautiful home
Trees and caves and placers to roam**

**DEER
COYOTE**

**But people with machines arrived day after say
And destroyed our habit and pushed us away!**

**FOX
ALL TOGETHER:**

**So where do we go ? And what do we do?
Preserving the wilderness depends on you!**

PERSON 1: Choose as many people and animal puppets to include all puppeteers

**Too much construction...
We need to understand
How to protect and preserve the land.**



PERSON #2:

**Too many cars on every road
We need more public transportation
To lighten the load**



PERSON 3:

**Wetlands and woodlands are all going away
We all need to pledge to find a new way!!**

Everyone together: We all need to pledge to find a new way!!

PERCUSSION X2 The Habitat is where it's at!

NARRATOR 1 We need a world that is nice and clean

NARRATOR 2 Hills and valleys and rivers and streams

NARRATOR 1 Prairies and Forests

NARRATOR 2 Space to roam

**TOGETHER with Puppets: Everybody needs a home
The Habitat is where it's at!**

**Add
PERCUSSION**

All Puppets echo: The Habitat is where it's at!

ENDING everyone together SHOUT....slowly...

The Habitat (pause) Is Where It's At!