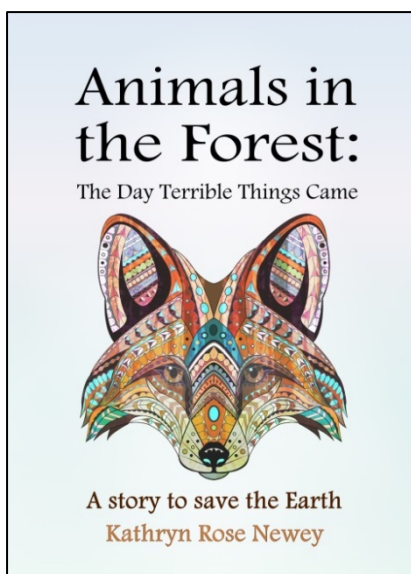


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Animals In The Forest: The Day Terrible Things Came -
by Kathryn Rose Newey

Amazon Kindle £0.99, Paperback £4.40, Audio Download free with Audible Trial.

This is a beautifully illustrated, environmentally themed animal story with free supplementary worksheets from the author's web page www.kathrynrosenewey.com and www.tes.com

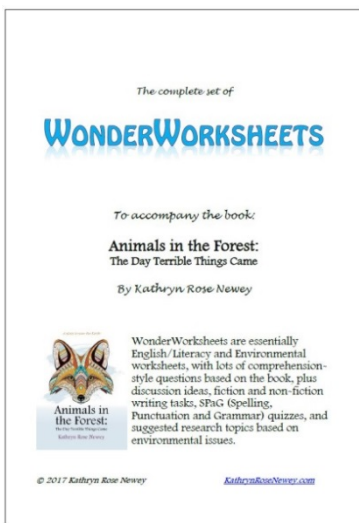
The story is set in a local forest where Dakota the Deer and her animal friends live until they are disturbed by machinery that starts destroying the forest to build new houses. The 9 chapters describe events from the animals' points of view, describing their initial curiosity to the fear and then reality that they would be forced to leave their homes.

This text is an absolute pleasure to read due to the superb descriptive detail and wide ranging vocabulary, but also as it is delightfully written in 'proper English'. The characters' personalities come to life in each chapter as they try to make sense of what is going on, to the point that you desperately hope for a happy ending, which sadly, and realistically, there is not.

At the end of the book there is an Epilogue that provides information on the environmental reasons for each character's name, some other related environmental issues for further thought, and a section entitled 'What you can do to help?' to protect the environment.

The book is a wonderful read on its own, but there is also a pack of 9 [WonderWorksheets](#) for English Literacy with lots of

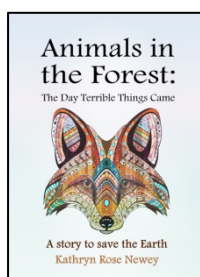
questions, discussion ideas, writing tasks and discussion topics. Aimed for upper primary, these worksheets provide a very interesting and comprehensive set of exercises covering a wide range of activities including researching and designing your own non-fiction booklet about crows, drawing an impression of a worm's-eye view of the animals' discussion, writing stories from a given first line, and many more.



The worksheets are the most interesting and varied I have come across to date and show that the author has put a lot of thought and detail into each one.

[Animals In The Forest](#) is a really lovely thought provoking addition for your child's reading and English curriculum which I am sure all children will enjoy and be inspired by. The author is also available for book readings and talks to home-educating groups (see her [website](#) for details).

Review by Kerri, book reviewer at [EducationOtherwise.org](#)



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