

JUNE 2021:

Camping and Great Outdoor Month



Ag in the Classroom Book of the Month

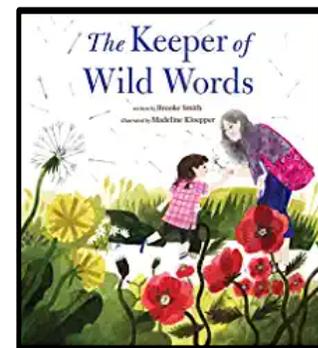
THE KEEPER OF WILD WORDS

by *Brooke Smith*

A touching tale of a grandmother and her granddaughter exploring and cherishing the natural world.

Words, the woods, and the world illuminate this quest to save the most important pieces of our language—by saving the very things they stand for.

When Mimi finds out her favorite words—simple words, like apricot, blackberry, buttercup—are disappearing from the English language, she elects her granddaughter Brook as their Keeper. And did you know? The only way to save words is to know them.



(Click the book to listen to it on YouTube)

Fun Facts:

- Georgia has 24.6 million forested acres- which is 67% of Georgia!
- Forest-related industry supports over 147,000 jobs and provides an average of \$834 million in state tax revenue each year.
- Georgia's State Park System and Georgia Public Library Service have partnered to create the [Library Loan Program](#). The partnership allows library patrons to check out free ParkPasses and historic sites passes, similar to checking out a book. There are over 600 miles of the diverse and scenic hiking trails in the Georgia State Parks. To find a trail near you click [here](#).

Videos:

- [Ranger Nick: Signs Of Healthy Creeks and Streams](#)
- [Ranger Nick: Improving Wildlife Habitats](#)
- [Ranger Nick Takes a Trip to the Mountains](#)
- [Ranger Nick: Discovering the Insects That Live in Stream](#)
- [Ranger Nick: The Joys Of Spending Time Outdoors](#)

Activities:

- [Project Learning Tree is an award-winning environmental education program designed for teachers and other educators, parents, and community leaders working with youth from preschool through grade 12.](#)
- [Make a trail mix snack to enjoy on your outdoor adventure](#)
- [Nature Scavenger Hunt Bingo](#)
- [Nature walk recording Sheet \(Uses the 5 senses\)](#)
- [Build a Nest STEM Challenge](#)

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