

Topic: Camping – *Cooperation is helpful to set up a campsite and gives us practice for working together and responding to when things don't go exactly as planned..*

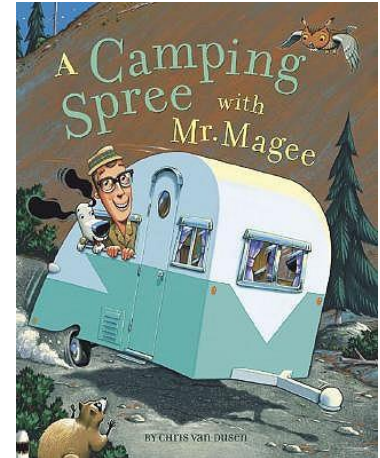
UU PRINCIPLE # 6: Build a Fair and Peaceful World.

Renew your spirit, by being mindful of nature around you which can be your own back yard or an indoor plant! *Feed your spirit on the wonder and beauty of nature.*

UU SOURCES: Direct experience with the wonder and mystery.

STORY VIDEO: (4:23 minutes): Camping Spree With Mr. Magee

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OCMFyohPubs>



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (from the video):

- **What happens when things don't go as expected? What's a good way to respond to the unexpected?**
- **Have you ever gone camping with your family or friends? Set up a tent? Or helped build a campfire by collecting sticks? Was it good to be working together?**
- **Can you share something about what you have seen, heard, or felt when you're outside in nature? Did you feel wonder and gratitude?**

FAMILY FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY OPTIONS:

• **BOOK OPTIONS:**

Bailey Goes Camping by Kevin Henkes

It's SummerTime by Elaine W. Good

- **SET UP A TENT TOGETHER** Sleep outdoors, or use blankets, chairs & ropes inside & pretend to go camping.
 - **Basic Knot exploration for Pre-K children** – *Only give rope while supervising and staying with the children.*
<https://www.teachpreschool.org/2012/03/19/all-tied-up-in-knots/>
 - **You Tube Video for older children** [How to tie a rope & bed sheet into a child's hammock](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ImCsBNYK6T4)



• **SING CAMP SONGS:**

An earth centered song + you can act out:

- My Roots Go Down -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nZJfRunmd8c>

These are silly (and silly builds fun memories).

- The Banana Song - funny movement

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DFXitbTQ0-E>

- Energizer – Mosquito

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AY-KjQ0ebAo>

- Boom Chicka Boom

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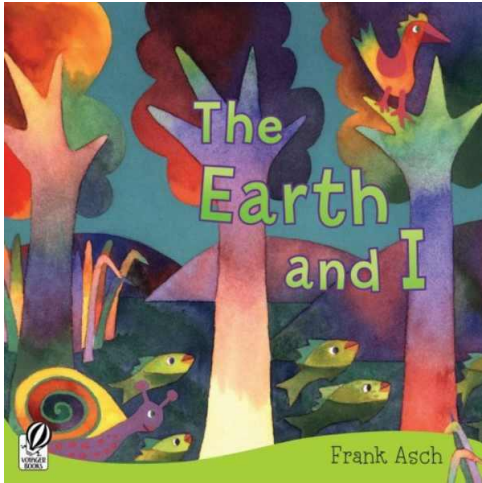
- Princess Pat

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For PRE-K & Wiggly children

Topic: Conservation – How do we act out our Faith and UU Principle # 7?

UU PRINCIPLE # 7 Care for the planet we share with all beings.



STORY VIDEO: The Earth & I Are Friends Frank Asch (2 mins)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wQ3Tc2MJToc>

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

How do you listen to the earth?

What did the child do after the earth was sad? (*cleaned up & recycled, planted something*) Why is that helpful?

Do you stop and think before throwing something away? Do you Ask: "Is there a way to re-use this? Should it go in a recycling bin?"

SUNDAY ACTIVITY: Re-purpose items and create something new to you.

FAMILY FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY OPTIONS:

- **Video (2:54 mins) : How Do I Help the Earth?:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zACy6KsVm8k>
Read to non-readers, or have your child read it to you. This is a good family discussion starter about how UU faith calls us to action every day in gratitude for all the earth means to us and all beings on the planet.
- **Song: Saving Earth Promise** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EoQpdCagBPw>
Will you and your family make the promise and help each other to keep it?
How can your family use less: plastic? Water? Oil & gas?

Count how many good action habits you have? Do you use re-usable water bottles or glass cups, no straws, use re-usable grocery bags, buy items in less packaging, cook more from "scratch" vs. buying pre-made or at restaurant take out...?



- **Book: A Cool Drink of Water by Barbara Kerley** - Whether people around the world squeeze water out of a burlap bag, haul it home from a communal tap, or get it out of their kitchen faucet, people are unified by their common need for water. http://www.goodreads.com/book/show/1293644.A_Cool_Drink_of_Water