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"TOUCAN INVESTIGATES DEFORESTATION"
by ARIKA

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THE WINNERS!

KINDERGARTEN

- 1st Place: "Ballet" by Claire**
Brookfield Elementary School
- 2nd Place: "Bolt's Adventure" by Drew**
Our Lady of the Snows
- 3rd Place: "Harriet Tubman" by Emery**
Poulakidas Elementary School

FIRST GRADE

- 1st Place: "Ruby Bridge" by Mackinley**
Spanish Springs Elementary School
- 2nd Place: "Are You Ready to go Investigate Italy?" by Sophia**
Minden Elementary School
- 3rd Place: "Ocean Animals are Very Cool" by Elliot**
Smithridge STEM Academy

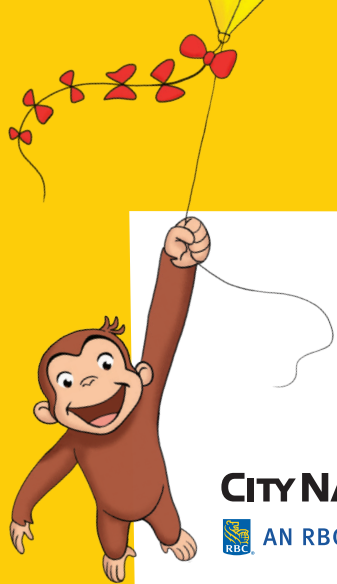
SECOND GRADE

- 1st Place: "Lunar Living" by Claire**
Doral Academy
- 2nd Place: "Harriet Tubman" by Olivia**
Bohach Elementary School
- 3rd Place: "A Flying Cloud" by Faith**
Coral Academy of Science

THIRD GRADE

- 1st Place: "Toucan Investigates Deforestation" by Arika**
- 2nd Place: "Silver State Endangered Species" by Molly**
Westergard Elementary School
- 3rd Place: "Machu Picchu" by Addilynn**
Spanish Springs Elementary School





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PBS member station, PBS Reno, serving northern Nevada and northeastern California, is proud to take present the PBS Reno Curiosity Classroom Writers Contest.

Few things can capture a child's imagination like a good book. PBS Reno Curiosity Classroom Writers Contest invites children, kindergarten through third grade, in communities across our area to use their boundless imaginations to create original stories and illustrations and then submit them to their local PBS station. This year, thousands of children from across northern Nevada and northeastern California participated in the PBS Reno Curiosity Classroom Writers Contest, building their creative voices, and developing critical reading and writing skills.

Visit our website at pbsreno.org/writerscontest to find out more about the contest, read the winning stories and watch the winners announce their stories.



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THIRD GRADE: 1st Place

**“Toucan Investigates
Deforestation”
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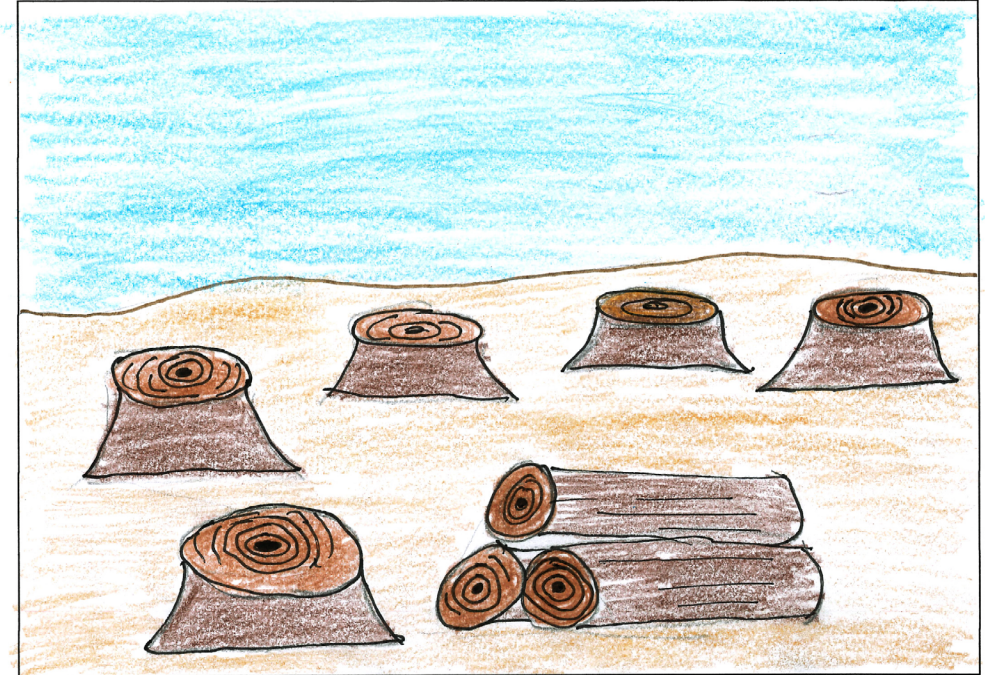


I am a rainbow-billed toucan
I am only a bird.
But I need your assistance
So may I have a word?
In my beautiful rainforest world
There is a big problem,
Soon I will have no existence
That is very solemn.



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The problem is very grave
For it destroys my habitat,
Not only will it affect me
But other animals like wildcat.
We are losing 80,000 acres a day
It is called deforestation.
Not many people know about it .
But it is a severe situation.



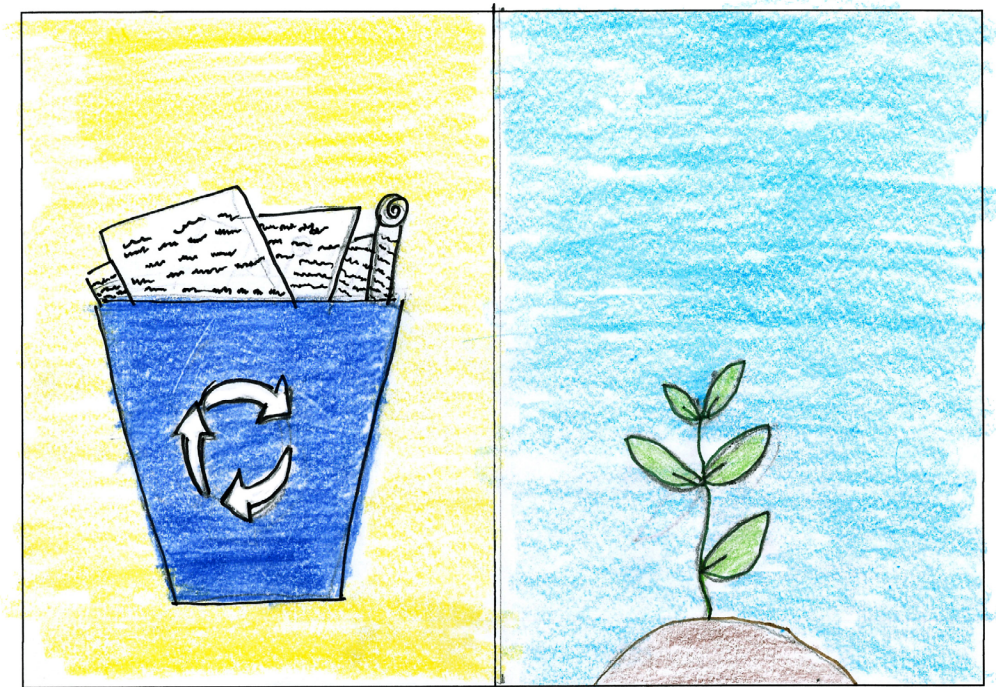
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Saving the beautiful rainforest
Will help me and my forest mates,
I want to stop the problem
Will you help me investigate?
What can you do
To stop cutting trees down?
I have some ideas
So please stick around.



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Paper is made from trees
That surely is one of the reasons,
Use less paper and recycle them
All year round and all
of the seasons
They cut down the trees
But do not plant more,
You can let them know
They need to restore.



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Wood is also the reason
They cut down the trees,
Avoid wooden products
Or use sustainable please.
There is also palm oil and soy
Which are grown in
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Avoid eating those products
As experts suggest.



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If you do these changes
It will help us a lot,
Deforestation is
a growing problem
That only you can try to stop.

The End.



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