



GRADE 4 LITERACY: JOHN MUIR STUDENT WORK SAMPLES

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A Tree's Voice

Long ago there was a tree who could not speak...well not actually, it was John Muir who spoke on it's behalf. John Muir was born in Scotland, April 21, 1838. Soon after, his family immigrated to America and bought a farm where John Muir spent many years admiring nature.

In the passage: "John Muir: The Conservationist on the Quarter" by Liana Mahoney, we learn that even as a young man John loved nature. John Muir spent most of his life working to protect to conserve nature. His work also helped make changes to how was use our land.

John Musir loved nature. Even as a child he loved to watch nature. One thing that bothered him to the the bottom of his soul was that trees were being cut in order to make farmlands for cattle and sheep to graze. He knew trees were important to forests, and the animals and even people. John Muir wrote essays, newspaper articles, magazine articles, and letters to convince people to protect nature. John Muir dedicated his life to his work.

John Muir's work changed the way we see nature. The first step in John's plan was to convince the president Theador Roosevelt to see what he saw. John took Theador on a 3-day camping trip to show the president the beauty of nature. Afterwards The president set aside 148 million acres of land for nation forests and national parks. Then the U.S. Congress passed a law that no one can build homes or businesses there. So parks like Yosemite and Sequoia and national park must stay unchanged.

John Muir made us understand the beauty of the outside world. Since he saved Yosemite Sequoia, and National Park we can now enjoy the beauty of these parks. John Muir

died in California 1914. But even if he died, the presidents' law still lives on so we can see what John Muir loved.

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“John Muir”

Can you believe what one man could do? I read the article “John Muir the Conservationist on the Quarter” by Liana Mahoney. In the article I learned about a man named John Muir. John Muir was born on April 21, 1838. He was a man who loved nature the way it was. He walked more than a thousand miles across the country, through fields and woods admiring nature. John Muir devoted his life to conservation and also to preserving of beauty of nature.

John Muir wrote about the problems too. He wrote that people were cutting down the trees for more farmland. He also wrote places he visited describing their beauty. Soon people started to listen. For example Theodore Roosevelt the president of the United States of America, was convinced that was a need to protect our land.

John Muir's hard work paid off. After the visit from the president, President Roosevelt set aside 148 million acres of land for national forest and established five national parks. A law was also passed that says that people cannot build homes or businesses. Thanks to him we can enjoy the parks and all its natural beauty.

John Muir worked long and hard every day to keep things in nature just the way they are. Today people continued his work.

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The Important Conservationist

“John Muir the conservationist on the quarter” by Liana Mahoney was one of the wellknown conservationist around the world. He fought to keep nature beautiful and safe. He loved nature and showed it in many ways.

John Muir dedicated his life to conserving nature. One way John Muir conserved is by stoping people from cutting down trees that are needed. One example is how trees are needed for farmland animals to have enough space. Another way John Muir conserved was by protecting our world from getting changed. The last way John Muir conserved was by persuading people to conserve forest by writing letters, newspapers, books, essays, articles and magazines. John Muir’s determination to preserve the beauty of nature changed the way people thought about nature. by preserving John Muir wanted to keep our national parks clean and safe, he also persuded people to conserve nature. Lastly, John Muir affected our world by convincing president Theodore Rosavelt, The congress and the sierra club to mak a law promising to never change and destry natural parks like the yosemetie park and the sequoia park.

As a conservationist John Muir never gave up and fought for our world to stay the same way it was. In honor of him there were many places named after him such as Mountain Muir, and Muir beach. John Muir was an important Man.

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Have you ever picke up a quarter and looked carefully at the back? There's a guy on the back. Do you know what his name is? His name is John Muir. Im going to tell you about him. John Muir loved nature he even loved it as a kid. He likes to explore nature. He was so interested in nature that he even wrote an article. John Muir devoted his life to conservation efforts and the effect that his work had on preserving the beauty of nature. John Muir devoted his life to conservation efforts. Im going to tell you about him first he spent much of life exploring nature. He even persuaded the president and now you know who is John Muir.