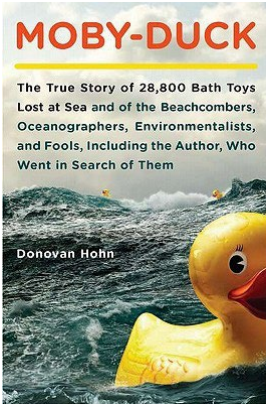


Week 8: Waters of Life

Books for Adults



DB 88563 [*Moby-duck: the true story of 28,800 bath toys lost at sea and the beachcombers, oceanographers, environmentalists, and fools, including the author, who went in search of them*](#) by **Donovan Hohn**

Annotation: A journalist tracks the journey of over 28,000 bath toys--including rubber ducks. These toys were released into the sea when a ship lost a number of containers during a storm in 1992. Details the author's findings about ocean currents, maritime regulations, weather, climate, the novel Moby Dick, and fatherhood. Strong language. Commercial audiobook. 2011.

DB 86331 [*Drowned worlds: tales from the Anthropocene and beyond*](#) by **Jonathan Strahan**

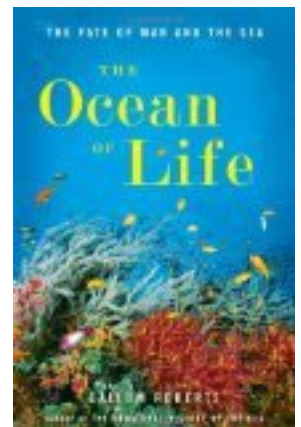
Annotation: An anthology of short fiction focused on the subject of climate change. Each story features a future wracked by the deluge. Includes stories from, among others, Kim Stanley Robinson, Ken Liu, Lavie Tidhar, and Jeffrey Ford. Some violence. 2016.

DB 68409 [*Watermind*](#) by **M. M. Buckner**

Annotation: From computers and technological waste a dangerous intelligence dubbed the Watermind forms in the Louisiana swamps. MIT dropout CJ Reilly and her boyfriend Max discover the life-form while cleaning up a chemical spill in Devil's Pond. They are intrigued--until the Watermind kills. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Commercial audiobook. 2008.

DB 76162 [*The ocean of life: the fate of man and the sea*](#) by **Callum Roberts**

Annotation: Marine scientist and author of The Unnatural History of the Sea (DB 67600) considers the future of the earth's oceans and the impact that overfishing, pollution, climate change, and other problems are having on human



life. Examines industrial farming and aquaculture initiatives, recreation and conservation efforts, and more. 2012.

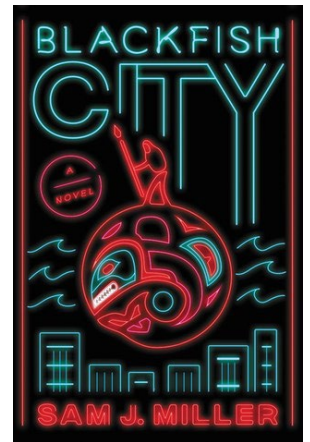
DB 65051 [Tracking trash: flotsam, jetsam, and the science of ocean motion \(scientists in the field series\)](#) by Loree Griffin Burns



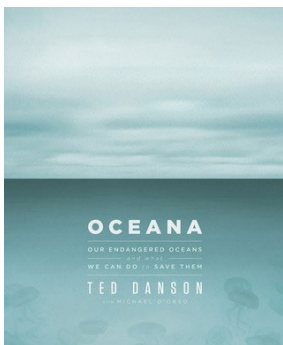
Annotation: Relates how hundreds of sneakers washing up on Pacific coast beaches inspired oceanographer Curt Ebbesmeyer to conduct new experiments on ocean currents. Explains the relevant scientific terms--latitude, longitude, tides, waves, and gyres--and the environmental destruction caused by ocean debris such as tangled fishing nets. For grades 5-8. 2007.

DB 93246 [Blackfish City](#) by Sam J. Miller

Annotation: A sustainable floating city, located in the Arctic Circle, begins to experience heightened levels of disease, crime, and corruption. A woman riding an orca arrives and unites the city's factions. If they band together, they may be able to save the city from crumbling. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2018.



DB 73912 [Oceana: our endangered oceans and what we can do to save them](#) by Ted Danson



Annotation: Environmental activist and star of the long-running television series Cheers discusses threats to the world's oceans, including pollution, overfishing, offshore drilling, and acidification. Suggests ways that readers can support conservation and explains the work of Oceana, an international organization dedicated to saving the seas. 2011.

Books for Youths

DB 103823 [We are water protectors](#) by Carole Lindstrom

Annotation: When a black snake threatens to destroy the Earth and poison her people's water, one young



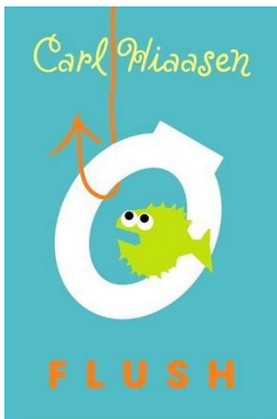
water protector takes a stand to defend Earth's most sacred resource. Commercial audiobook. Caldecott Medal. For grades K-3. 2020.

DB 98550 [Stella Díaz never gives up](#) by Angela Dominguez

Annotation: During summer camp, Stella Díaz reaffirms her dream to become a marine biologist. After learning the oceans and marine life are in danger from pollution, Stella and her friends turn to activism. Sequel to Stella Díaz Has Something To Say (DB 90557). For grades 3-6. 2020.

DB 74355 [Environmental issues, global perspectives: wetlands, forests, mountains, oceans, freshwater](#) by James Fargo Balliett

Annotation: Five-volume series explores the predominantly negative impact of human behavior and population growth on natural areas. Examines modern society's response to these changes through increased education, conservation efforts, and environmental management. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2010.



DB 60792 [Flush](#) by Carl Hiaasen

Annotation: The Florida Keys. With their father jailed for sinking a gambling boat, Noah Underwood and his sister Abbey gather evidence that casino owner Dusty Muleman is illegally emptying sewage tanks into coastal waters. They receive help from a former card dealer, a pirate, and Dusty's ex-girlfriend. For grades 5-8. 2005.

DB 36248 [Environmental awareness-water pollution](#) by Mary Ellen Snodgrass

Annotation: Discusses the importance of water to plants and animals and the need for a clean water supply. Describes salt water desalinization, cloud seeding experiments, and fresh water extraction from glaciers and polar icecaps. The author also examines sources of water pollution and explains what individuals can do to help stop the waste and pollution of water supplies. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1991.

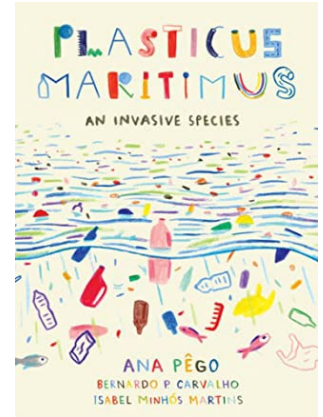
DB 52382 [Lockie Leonard, scumbuster](#) by Tim Winton

Annotation: Thirteen-year-old Australian Lockie loves surfing and misses Vicki, his former girlfriend. He meets Egg, a heavy-metal fan who is as lonely as Lockie is. The unlikely duo work together to stop the dumping of

industrial sludge into the harbor. Some strong language. For grades 5-8. 1993.

DB 103937 [Plasticus maritimus: an invasive species](#)
by Ana Pêgo

Annotation: A marine biologist and an award-winning author explain how plastic is made, offer a field guide to help young people identify the *Plasticus maritimus* species, and take a critical look at our current "solutions" to plastic contamination in the oceans. Translated from the 2018 Portuguese edition. For grades 5-8. 2020.



DB 95958 [What a waste: trash, recycling, and protecting our planet](#)
by Jess French

Annotation: Explains what we're doing to our environment, both the good and the bad. Discusses the different types of pollution and waste streams and the progress we've made in renewable energy and recycling. For grades 2-4. 2019.