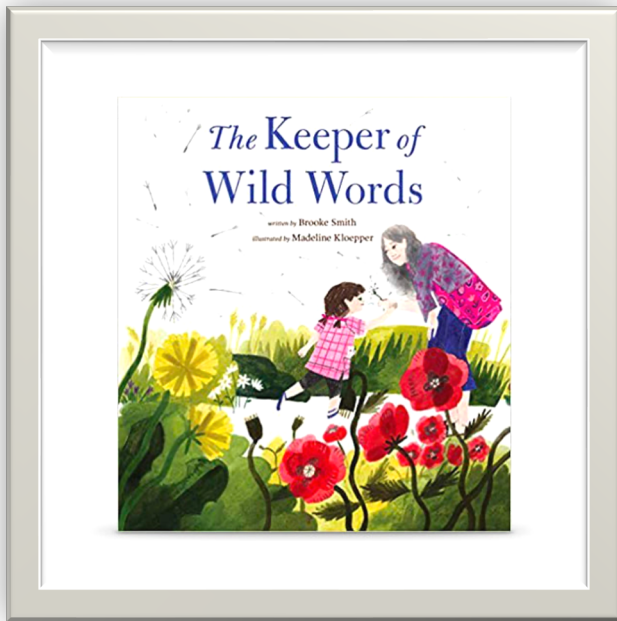


Testimonies: Sustainability – Integrity

AGES: 5 – 8



Title: The Keeper of Wild Words

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Synopsis: The story of a touching relationship between a little girl and her grandmother. The grandmother cherishes the natural world and is sad we are losing so many natural things. They walk together in woods looking for natural things and naming them.

Suggested Activities:

- **Walk:** Take the children for a short walk to a natural environment and look for wild things like lichen, fungi, caterpillars, seeds, etc.
- **Memory Game:** Place a leaf, seeds, flower, feather in a box and let children see them for 15 seconds. Close the box and see how many of the items they can remember.
- **Writing Wild Words:** Children write words for all the wild things they can think of and then put the words and pictures in an envelope for safe keeping.

Supplies:

- Box and items from nature, and a place to write what the children remember.
- Envelops, markers and pens