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## Web Sites We Like

**[Bookmaking Projects](#)** - A hot dog booklet, wish scroll, accordion book, and more. Step-by-step instructions for engaging youngsters in the whole nine yards.

**[Making Paper: Experience the Fiber of Learning](#)** - How to engage students in making it, exploring its history, and more. (A past issue of *Classroom Projects News*.)

**[Lesson Plans for Making Artistic Books](#)** - More creative bookmaking projects from the San Diego Museum of Art.

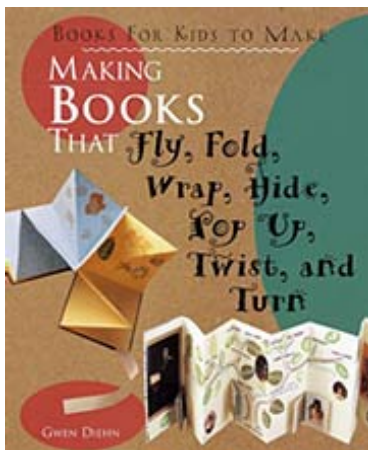
**[An Animated History of Books](#)** - Choose the high-tech or low-tech tour on this site sponsored by the BBC. An engaging look at the book, from cave paintings to interactive electronic versions.

**[Page by Page: Creating a Children's Book](#)** - This excellent Canadian site for kids offers an inside look at how children's books are made.

**[Analyzing Children's Science Journals](#)** - What can you learn about students' thinking and understanding by analyzing their journal drawings and writing? See what these researchers discovered.



## Books We Like (links to Amazon.com)



**[Literacy Through the Book Arts](#)** and **[A Book of One's Own](#)** by Paul Johnson

**[Cover to Cover: Creative Techniques for Making Beautiful Books, Journals, and Albums](#)** by Shereen LaPlantz

**[Making Books that Fly, Fold, Pop-Up, Twist and Turn](#)** by Gwen Diehn

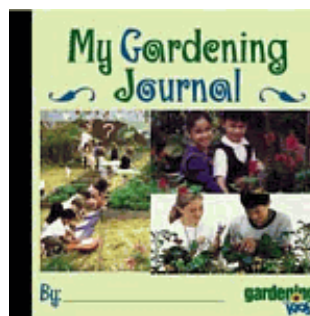
**[The Alphabet of the Trees: A Guide to Nature Writing](#)** by Christian McEwen and Mark Statman

**[Nature Journaling: Learning to Observe and Connect with the World Around You](#)** by Clare Walker Leslie and Charles E. Roth

## Journaling Items from the Gardening with Kids Store

**[My Garden Journal](#)** - Created by NGA at the request of teachers, our rugged Gardening Journal is just the right size for children's horticultural observations. Kids can chart plant growth, record weather, draw pictures, and more on 24 pages of unlined paper. Includes thought-provoking "did-you-know?" gardening facts and suggestions for getting started.

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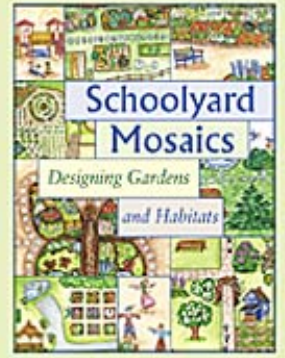
**Pollinator Field Journal** - Challenge students to explore the world of busy bees and hovering hummingbirds just outside the classroom door. The field guide leads students through investigations into flower structure, pollinator preference, and pollination. [Members](#) get a 10% discount!

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