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Review: *Earth Keepers: A Sourcebook For Environmental Issues And Action.*

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Baer-Brown, Leslie, and Bob Rhein. *Earth Keepers: a sourcebook for environmental issues and action*. San Francisco, CA: Mercury House, Inc. 1995. 304 pp. US \$14.95 trade paper ISBN: 1-56279-070-6.

As hosts of the nationally syndicated environmental radio program "Earth Watch," the editors of this book have inspired conservationists and activists alike. Included in this book are the refreshing topics of Native American values, endangered species, environmental self-education, environmental ethics, green politics, and the future quest for environmental issues.

In each of the six categories, an introduction is followed by two essays written by environmentally active writers and educators who address critical issues on the topic. A final section in each category called "Thought and Action" is presented to show how people can become involved in the solutions for each specific topic. Critical issues are also identified and options are given for involvement, such as conducting oral history programs and environmental workshops. A listing of organizations is given with addresses (email addresses where available), phone numbers, and a brief description of each organization.

Readers who are concerned about environmental issues are encouraged to express their concerns to corporate executives, national politicians, and foreign heads of state. *Earth Keepers: a sourcebook for environmental issues and action* contains addresses for these individuals as well as sample letters that can be addressed to them. The appendix: "Earth Keepers Online," serves as an introduction to some basic Internet sources on environmental issues, although most are directed toward the novice online environmentalist.

Earth Keepers: a sourcebook for environmental issues and action is a useful sourcebook for the general public and the specialist, but not an essential item for reference collections.

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