About this Guide...

How to Use this Guide
This guide provides exercises, discussion points and references for introducing sustainability into the curriculum. It is a point from which to get started and is by no means exhaustive! If you have suggestions, additions, and questions or are simply looking for more information, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Sustainability Task Force member for more information.

The Guide is split in several sections as follows:

About this Guide: This section provides a general definition of sustainability and a few methods to integrate it into the classroom.

Curriculum Integration Exercises: The selected exercises highlight different aspects of sustainability and can be applied to almost any area of study. In general, they include a short introduction, a list of resources, discussion items and/or student assignments and often a classroom activity. General categories include: Understanding Sustainability, Sustainability in the Community, Environmental Impacts, Energy, Consumption, Advertising, Green Design and Sustainability in Business.

Think a Minutes: These are very short discussion items that can be used to get the class started – or to use up the last 5 minutes of class. They are meant to be open ended topics for exploration and often have no right or wrong answer.

Curriculum Specific Recommendations: These pages provide quick references for faculty to discover which exercises might be most applicable to their area of study.

Resources: The lists of resources include recommended links to local news and community resources, online articles, websites, short and full length videos, etc...

We hope you enjoy using this guide and we look forward to hearing from you!
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“No institutions in modern society are better equipped to catalyze the necessary transition to a sustainable world than colleges and universities. They have access to the leaders of today and the leaders of tomorrow.”

David Orr, Oberlin College, Higher Education in a Warming World: The Business Case for Climate Leadership on Campus National Wildlife Federation