## Stuart & Gabriella: Nature Detectives

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n the redwood forests, a cool diversity of plants and animals lives among the giant trees. But like all of Earth's habitats, our forests need help. Pollution, logging, hunting, and other threats destroy our natural resources.

To protect our forests, scientists carefully study the plants, animals, trees, and soil. They look for clues about our changing climate and how it affects wildlife. They discover new species, count the creatures, and watch their behavior. Researchers found that the world's tallest living tree is a coast redwood—at 379.1 feet (115.5 m)! In California, coast redwoods once covered 2 million acres, but only about 5% remains of those original ancient forests.

You can help conserve forest resources every day by recycling and reusing materials. Volunteer to plant trees, clean up parks, or even assist scientists. You can be a *tree*-mendous help to our environment!

