

Theme 4

What role do we play in the future of forests?

The concepts within this theme help students identify ways to use their knowledge about forests to be active citizens and connect with Tasmania's forests. With a consideration of the interplay between people and forests, students can make their own decisions and be active stewards for the future of our forest landscapes and resources.



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Our Connection to Tasmania's Forests

Acknowledging their personal connections to forests, encourages students to appreciate the importance of forests and consider the ways that people are dependent on forest landscapes.

There are many ways we connect with forests in Tasmania, from the resources we use and consume every day to recreation, tourism and our sense of place. By exploring our connection to forests we can become informed and active voters, make wise consumer choices and act for our forest landscapes and resources.



Action for the Future of Tasmania's Forests

Learning to take action and advocate for Tasmania's forests gives students opportunities for involvement, now and in the future.

Everyone has a responsibility to treat forests with respect and to become stewards of Tasmania's forests and forest resources.

Our individual choices can impact the health and resilience of Tasmania's forests. For example, the products we buy, how we treat tracks and campgrounds, and our use of fire can either harm or help forest landscapes.

The choices we make regarding the use of forest resources affects our ability to sustain forest ecosystems into the future.

A variety of professionals and skilled workers are needed to manage our forests sustainably, including foresters, biologists, soil scientists, engineers, lawyers, information technology professionals, land managers, investors, environmental educators, communications specialists, harvesting and transport operators, mechanics and wood products manufacturers.

As individuals or as members of a group, we can influence decision making, laws and policies that affect Tasmania's forests.

