

Not all Scientists Wear White Coats - profiles for careers

The pupil sheet outlines the background of three people involved in the Osprey Flyways Project.

Like many people involved in conservation based projects, they represent a huge diversity of experience and qualifications yet they end up working together for a common purpose.

Discussion points are...

- Age and background
- Academic training
- Other qualities (working with others, generating ideas, interest and enthusiasm, dedication)
- Their responsibilities and jobs as part of the team

Other aspects of conservation and environmental work in the UK

Conservation is the protection of habitats, wild animals and plants. It is very important in a modern world and involves many areas such as recording data, research, managing habitats, and protecting habitats or species that are in danger from the activities of man. Here are just a few areas which have conservation specialists...

- Companies which may have environmental impact (eg oil, mining or mineral extraction agriculture and fish farming)
- Ecotourism- holidays to places to see and enjoy wild animals or plants.
- Conservation Organisations - such as the RSPB or County Wildlife Trusts who manage nature reserves.
- Government bodies and departments- who have an important role in conservation and habitat protection e.g. Natural England and the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra)

Where you live...

Do you have any local conservation or environmental issues which people are concerned about?

Who is involved in these? Local, regional or even at national levels?