

# World Environment Day

World Environment Day (WED) takes place every year on June 5th. Here is the World Environment Day anthem:

## Earth Anthem

by Abhay K

Our cosmic oasis, cosmic blue pearl  
the most beautiful planet in the universe  
all the continents and all the oceans  
united we stand as flora and fauna  
united we stand as species of one earth  
different cultures, beliefs and ways  
we are humans, the earth is our home  
all the people and the nations of the world  
all for one and one for all  
united we unfurl the blue marble flag.



born 1980, Abhay K is an Indian poet-diplomat

### Use words from the poem to fill in the blanks:

1. Unroll something, open out something, \_\_\_\_\_ something.
2. The tiger is a \_\_\_\_\_ of big cat.
3. If you are lucky you may find a \_\_\_\_\_ in an oyster.
4. An \_\_\_\_\_ is a large body of water.
5. If you want to find water in a desert look for an \_\_\_\_\_.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ is a hard rock often used in buildings.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ is a scientific word for plants.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ is a scientific word for animals.
9. Something from out of space is \_\_\_\_\_.
10. A large land mass is called a \_\_\_\_\_.



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