

The Outdoors: Minibeasts

Reception - Summer 2



Think deeply about...

- What is a minibeast?
- Can you name some minibeasts?
- Where can you find minibeasts? What do they look like?

Learn...

- Looking carefully at minibeast habitats and comparing them.
- Going on bug hunts at Forest School and our outside area.
- Thinking about being careful when handling minibeasts and trying not to scare them.
- Learning the Very Busy Spider as our Talk for Writing story.
- Junk modeling minibeast models.
- Maths Mastery focus on addition and subtraction, doubling and halving and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. Practise numbers beyond 20. Look at different measures including capacity and weight.

Use...

Insect, wings, legs, antennae, invertebrate, body
Minibeasts- butterfly, ladybird, spider, bumblebee,
dragonfly, wasp, ant, worm, millipede, centipede

Maths:

Numbers 0-20 and beyond.

Addition, subtraction, equal to.

Double and half. Two equal parts.

Weight and Capacity: lighter, heavier, full, half
full, empty.



Explore...

- Go on your own Bug Hunts at home or outdoor spaces. Use positional language when you are finding them- are they under the rocks or on top of the leaves?
- Can you take pictures of the minibeasts you find?
- Find out some facts about minibeasts and play some minibeast games:
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/search.aspx?q=minibeast>
- Practise language to do with measuring and comparing capacity and weight:
<https://uk.ixl.com/math/year-1/compare-size-weight-and-capacity>