

Year 1 and 2 Creative Learning ideas

Week beginning Monday 13th July

These are all optional activities which you might like to try at home this week.

Our theme this week is **A Place to Live**. We will be exploring animals and their habitats.

Make a paper plate fish.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/makes/mister-maker-handprint-fish>

Make a handprint fish



Use an old sock to make a sock puppet.



Make a butterfly using a cardboard roll.



Explore the habitats that different minibeasts live in. Please see the chart at the end of this planning.

Minibeast	In the air	On plants	On bark	In the soil	Under stones
Ant 					

Make a tally chart to show the number of different minibeasts you can find. Please see the sheet at the end of this planning.

Minibeast	Tally
Slug 	
Ladybird 	

Make a mini pond for your garden.
<https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/give-nature-a-home-in-your-garden/garden-activities/createaminipond/>



Make a toad hole to keep in your garden.
<https://www.rspb.org.uk/globalassets/downloads/kids--schools/teaching-resources/make-a-toad-hole.pdf>

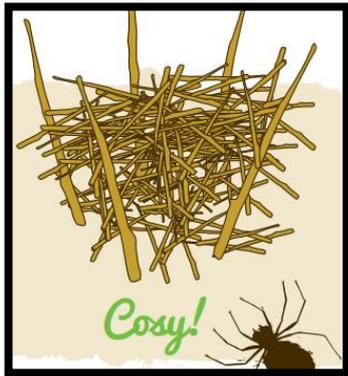


Make a butterfly feeder.
https://treetoolsforschools.org.uk/activities/pdfs/pdf_butterfly_feeder.pdf



Build a mini beast palace.

https://treetoolsforschools.org.uk/activities/pdfs/pdf_minibeast_palace.pdf



Use leaves to make your own animal designs.



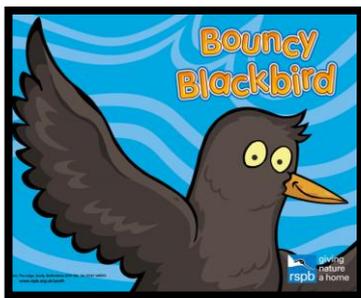
Take a quiz to see how much you know about nature.

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-kids/games-and-activities/online-games-for-kids/>



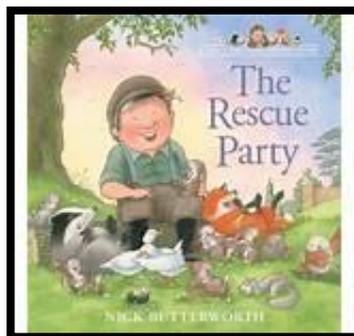
Share this story to find out about the different foods that birds eat.

<https://www.tes.com/teaching-resource/bouncy-blackbird-story-to-teach-young-children-what-different-foods-birds-eat-11366760>



Listen to this Percy the park keeper story.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/eyfs-storytime-the-rescue-party/zkrdrj6>



Music Activity

Listen to The Lark Ascending
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p03btd19>

It is a beautiful piece of music by Benjamin Britten. Listen out for the violin melody which is the lark, swooping and flying.

Collect some bottles, and fill with different levels of water. You could add food colouring. Blow gently over the top listen out for the high and low sounds. Make up different bird calls and use your new bird sounds to accompany the lark piece. Try to 'play' along to the violin melody.



Dance & Music Activity

Saint Saens Composed a beautiful piece of music called The Aquarium. Listen to the music. Listen out carefully for the piano part as it moves lower in a pitch, we call this a scale.

*Imagine you are the pond weed, sweep your arms in front and above you. Try to balance on one leg. Focus on stretched and controlled movements.

* Now you are little fish, listen to the melody as it moves lower and lower, dart in and out of the rocks, as you swim to the bed of the pond.

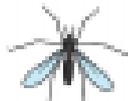
Connect your movements together to make a sequence, listening carefully as the music changes.

Use, turns, balances and stretches to make new moves.



Minibeast Habitat Investigation Sheet

Where did you find your minibeast?

Minibeast	In the air	On plants	On bark	In the soil	Under stones
Ant 					
Bee 					
Beetle 					
Butterfly 					
Caterpillar 					
Crane Fly 					



My Minibeast Tally Chart



Slug



Ladybird



Caterpillar



Spider



Butterfly



Woodlouse



Snail



Bee