

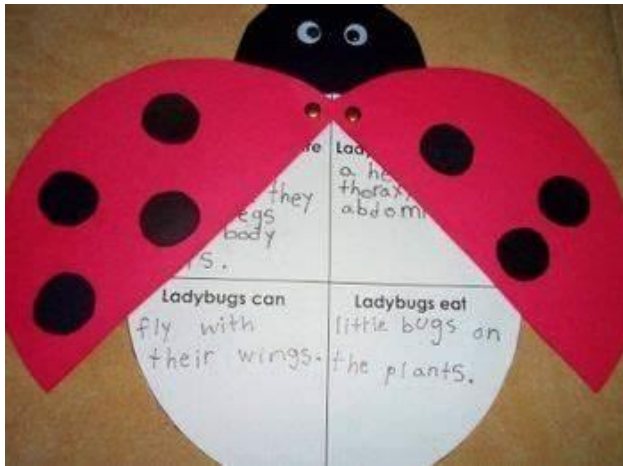


Year 1 English home learning

Week 10



Parents, this week's home learning will be continuing from our minibeast activity set last week. If you made the fortune teller last week, you may have already learned some facts all about minibeasts. This week we would like you to research about a minibeast or minibeasts of your choice and present this information any way you like. This may be a fact file leaflet or book, an information poster, a mini beast board game, snap cards, bingo or a power point presentation. To get you started perhaps you could go on a minibeast bug hunt in your garden or on a walk and make a list of all the insects you find. You can then choose your favourite minibeast or minibeasts to research about.



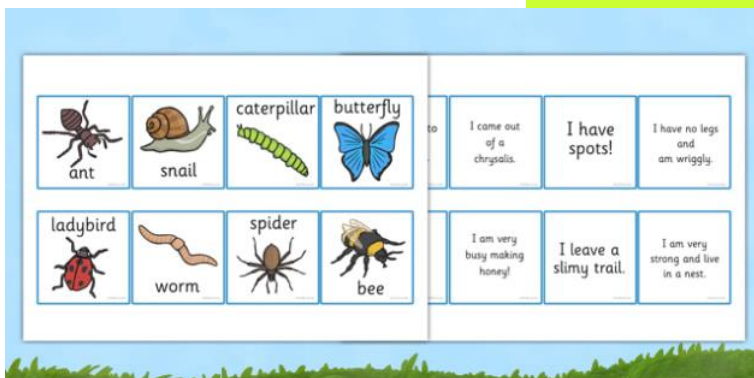
Facts about bees



- Bees are flying insects closely related to wasps and ants. They may be solitary or may live in various types of communities.



- Bees produce honey.
- Bees play an important role in pollinating flowering plants, and are the major type of pollinator in ecosystems that contain flowering plants.



Here are a few links to some information about different minibeasts to help you.

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2019/05/minibeast-facts/>

<https://ypste.org.uk/factsheets/minibeasts/what-is-a-minibeast>

<https://www.minibeastwildlife.com.au/resources/>

The bbc link below is a little introductory lesson to minibeasts and ideas on how to present your information as a fact file or a clue finding game. We would like you to remember the success criteria you need to include to make your writing amazing. These include:

- Capital letters at the start of a sentence and for the name of your minibeast.
- Full stops at the end of a sentence.
- Finger spaces
- Connectives to extend your sentences – and, so, if, but, because, however.
- Adjectives to describe your mini beast.
- Neat handwriting with correct letter formation.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrvfy9q>

Things to include in your minibeast fact file / research:

Where do they live?

What do they eat?

What do they look like?

How do they move?

How long do they live for?

Any other interesting facts you would like to add. You can use the facts on these facts cards if you like

Name: dragonfly

Size: 1in to 4in (length)

Species: more than 5 000

Food: flying insects like midges and mosquitoes

Fact: Dragonflies have been around for around 300 million years.



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Name: ladybird

Size: 0.3in to 0.4in

Species: 46

Food: plants, greenfly, other insects

Fact: Ladybirds bleed from their knees when they feel threatened.



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Name: grasshopper

Size: 2in to 5in

Species: 11 000

Food: corn, wheat, barley, leaves, other plants

Fact: Grasshoppers' ears are on their bellies.

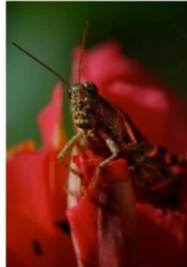


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Name: wasp

Size: 0.0055in to 2in (length)

Species: 75 000

Food: other insects, fruit, nectar, dead insects

Fact: Wasps live everywhere around the world, except for Antarctica.



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Name: spider

Size: 0.015in to 3.5in

Species: 40 000

Food: insects, small animals like millipedes, wood lice, frogs

Fact: Some male spiders give dead flies as a present to females.



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Name: ant

Size: 0.23in to 2in

Species: 12 000

Food: seeds, nectar, worms, spiders, small lizards, fruit

Fact: Ants are really strong! They can carry between 10 and 50 times their body weight.



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Name: butterfly

Size: 0.5in to 12in (from wingtip to wingtip)

Species: 18 000

Food: drink nectar

Fact: Butterflies taste with their feet.



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Name: bee

Size: 0.08in to 1.5in

Species: approximately 20 000

Food: honey

Fact: Bees are the only insects that make food that humans can eat.



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