

Curriculum area: Science Stage: 4

Learning Goal: Match minibeast sound or movement to minibeast.

General Guidance: Sounds can be pre recorded onto switches for some pupils before sessions.

See the resource page for details of symbols and switches.

Ways to include these activities in the classroom/curriculum:

Drama or music Make a class video or slide show of the movements and then add a voice over to give information about the mini beasts. Explore micro- habitats.	
Activity	Resources
Make the sounds and movements	Real Mini beasts
Minibeasts to make sounds and movements of woodlice beetles	Minibeast habitats to make from http://learning.southdowns.gov.uk/
spiderssnailswormsladybirds	Wooden log pile – leave a pile of logs and dead branches in one corner – preferably under some trees or shrubs where it's shady. Leave the wood to rot.
 slugs centipede 1. Wiggle on the mat like a worm. 2. Flap wings like a bee	Make an insect box – take a bundle of twigs and tie together with a piece of string. Hang under the branch of a tree or to a railing.
3. Buzz like a bee4. Hover like a bee and then try to find nectar	fill an old plant pot with leaf debris, turn upside down and position somewhere damp.
with your tongue. 5. Curl up like a slug or snail 6. Slide along like a slug 7. Move slowly like a snail	Create an informal rockery from a pile of rocks and bricks – especially good for insects in the winter months.
8. Fly like a wasp and then sting9. Have huge wings like a dragonfly. use	Make some holes in the sides of a plastic

- Have huge wings like a dragonfly, use
- fabrics to make them bigger. 10. Scuttle along like a woodlouse and hide
- under something. 11. Use your fingers to be lots of legs like centipede
- 12. All join together under a piece of fabric to be centipede and try moving.
- disturbed, topping up with soil every now and again. This is a great habitat for stag beetles as well as lots of other insects.

bucket and fill with wood chips and soil.

Leave it somewhere quiet where it won't be

- Plant a small fruit tree in a pot and leave the fruit to rot.
- Create a wormery



Match the movements or sounds to the plastic creatures. Pick a creature from a bag and then move like it or make the sound. The others guess who you are.	Plastic mini beasts. Pictures or symbols of mini beasts Bag
Watch or listen to video and sound tracks. Imitate the movements and / or sounds as they occur.	Videos of mini beasts sound effects of mini beasts Lots of videos on YouTube.

How do I assess progress towards this learning goal?

Has the pupil consistently:

- 1. Attempted to be an active participant in the activity?
- 2. Made different sounds or movements a minibeast with support?
- 3. Matched a movement or sound to a mini beast?
- 4. Matched more than one sound or movement to different mini-beasts with support?
- 5. Matched more than one sound or movement to different mini-beasts?

For links to helpful resources see http://send-inspire.co.uk/resources