

Mini Beast Hunt

- **Activity:** Go on a mini beast hunt in the garden, park, or on a walk.
- **What to do:** Take a checklist or draw pictures of bugs you hope to find (e.g., ladybird, worm, snail).
- **Learning Focus:** Observation, counting, speaking and listening.
- **Extension:** Can you describe where you found each one? (Under a rock, in the grass, etc.)

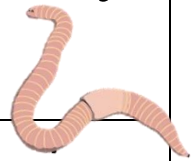
Create a Bug Hotel

- **Activity:** Build a bug hotel using natural materials like sticks, leaves, and stones.
- **Learning Focus:** Understanding the world, teamwork, construction skills.
- **Discussion Prompt:** Why do mini beasts need homes?



Story Time: Bug Style!

- **Activity:** Read a story about mini beasts (e.g., *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, *Superworm*).
- **Follow-Up:** Retell the story using toys or drawings.
- **Learning Focus:** Literacy, sequencing, comprehension.



Mini Beast Art

- **Activity:** Create your own mini beast using craft supplies—paper plates, pipe cleaners, playdough, etc.
- **Learning Focus:** Creative expression, fine motor skills.
- **Challenge:** Can you make a symmetrical butterfly?



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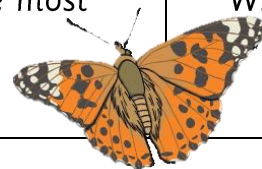
'Mini-beasts'



- **Activity:** Move like a mini beast! Crawl like a caterpillar, wriggle like a worm, buzz like a bee.
- **Learning Focus:** Physical development, imagination, gross motor skills.
- **Game Idea:** Guess the bug from the movement!

Bug Counting and Sorting

- **Activity:** Use toy bugs (or printed pictures) to count and sort by colour, legs, wings, etc.
- **Learning Focus:** Maths – counting, sorting, comparing.
- **Challenge:** Which bug has the most legs?



Design Your Own Mini Beast

- **Activity:** Draw and name your own made-up mini beast.
- **Learning Focus:** Creative thinking, drawing, vocabulary.
- **Question Prompt:** What does it eat? Where does it live?

Bug Facts Booklet

- **Activity:** Make a simple “My Bug Facts” book with one page for each mini beast.
- **What to include:** Picture, name, how many legs, where it lives.
- **Learning Focus:** Early writing, research, recall.