

# Nature at home

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Forest School from home!



## Minibeast Hunting

Small animals are all around us; you can go and try to find some. Watch to see how they move and count their legs to try to work out which animal you have found. You can look in your garden or while out on your walk.

### Step One

Minibeasts are small animals that live all around us. Many like damp cool places, but some prefer sunny spots. You can look under logs, rocks, cracks in the pavement or walls, on plants, in the air... everywhere!

### Step Two

When you find a creature, use your paintbrush or spoon to gently help them into your pot with a sweeping motion.

### Step Three

With your animal in your pot it's time to look very closely and try to work out what you have found.

### Step Four

While inside the pot they are your guest and not your prisoner, so be kind to them by just looking closely and not prodding them or trying to feed them, as they could get easily hurt. They don't need food while in your pot.



## Kit List

- Clear plastic pot with lid (e.g. yoghurt pot)
- Paintbrush or spoon
- Pencil and paper
- Optional: magnifying glass.



The best way to identify your creatures is to count their legs...

If your creature has no legs, they could be a worm, snail or slug!

If they have six legs, then you have found an insect.

If they have eight legs, you have found a spider.

If they have 14 legs, then it's a woodlouse and if they have more than 14 legs (look carefully!) then they are a centipede or millipede.



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