



TREEHOUSE ACTIVITIES

Week Five

This week, we will be learning about Minibeasts.

To find out more about Minibeasts, listen to the videos of me reading Mad About Minibeasts and Superworm!

This week's activities:

Minibeast detectives

Minibeast colouring 1

Minibeast colouring 2

Minibeast colouring 3

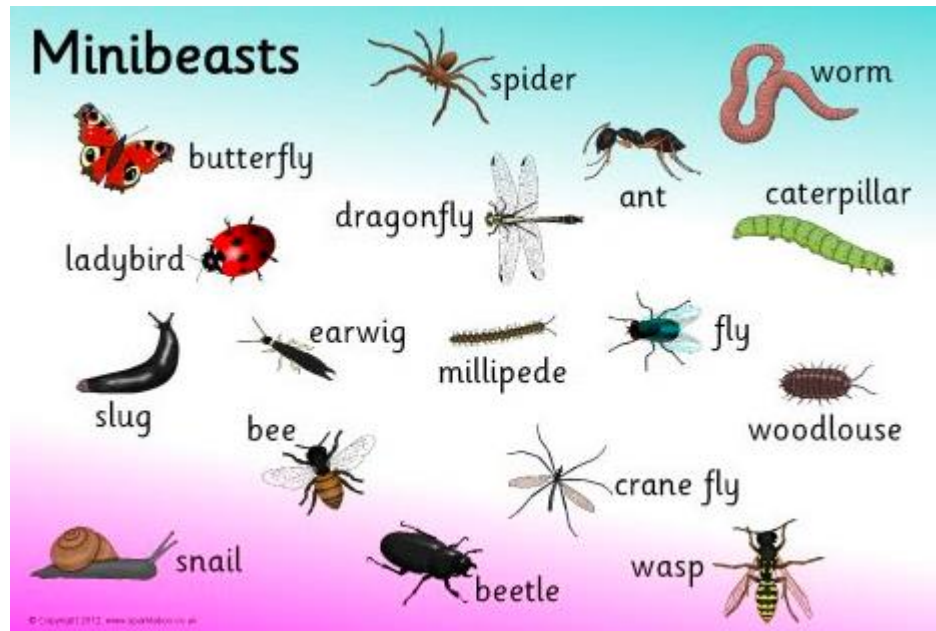
Minibeast colouring 4

Minibeast garden

Minibeast matching

Spider spider

Minibeast movement



Minibeast detectives!





















If you have a garden or are able to go on a walk, count how many Minibeasts you can see. Record them on [this checklist](#). If you don't have access to outside space, you could watch [this clip](#) and tick any of the Minibeasts that you can see!

Talk about what they look like, what colour they are and what you think they might feel like.

Minibeast Hunt

Tick the minibeasts that you have found!

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	slug	<input type="checkbox"/>		butterfly	<input type="checkbox"/>
	beetle	<input type="checkbox"/>		wasp	<input type="checkbox"/>
	crane fly (daddy-long-legs)	<input type="checkbox"/>		ladybird	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Colour in the different Minibeasts. Which is your favourite?

Minibeast Dictionary



Colouring sheet



ant



bee



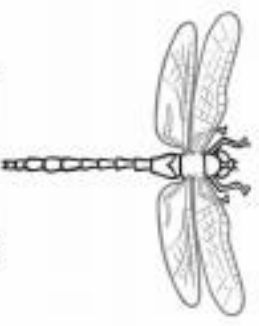
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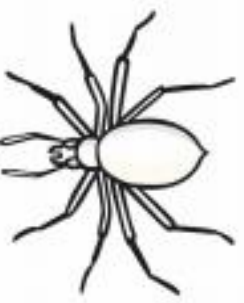
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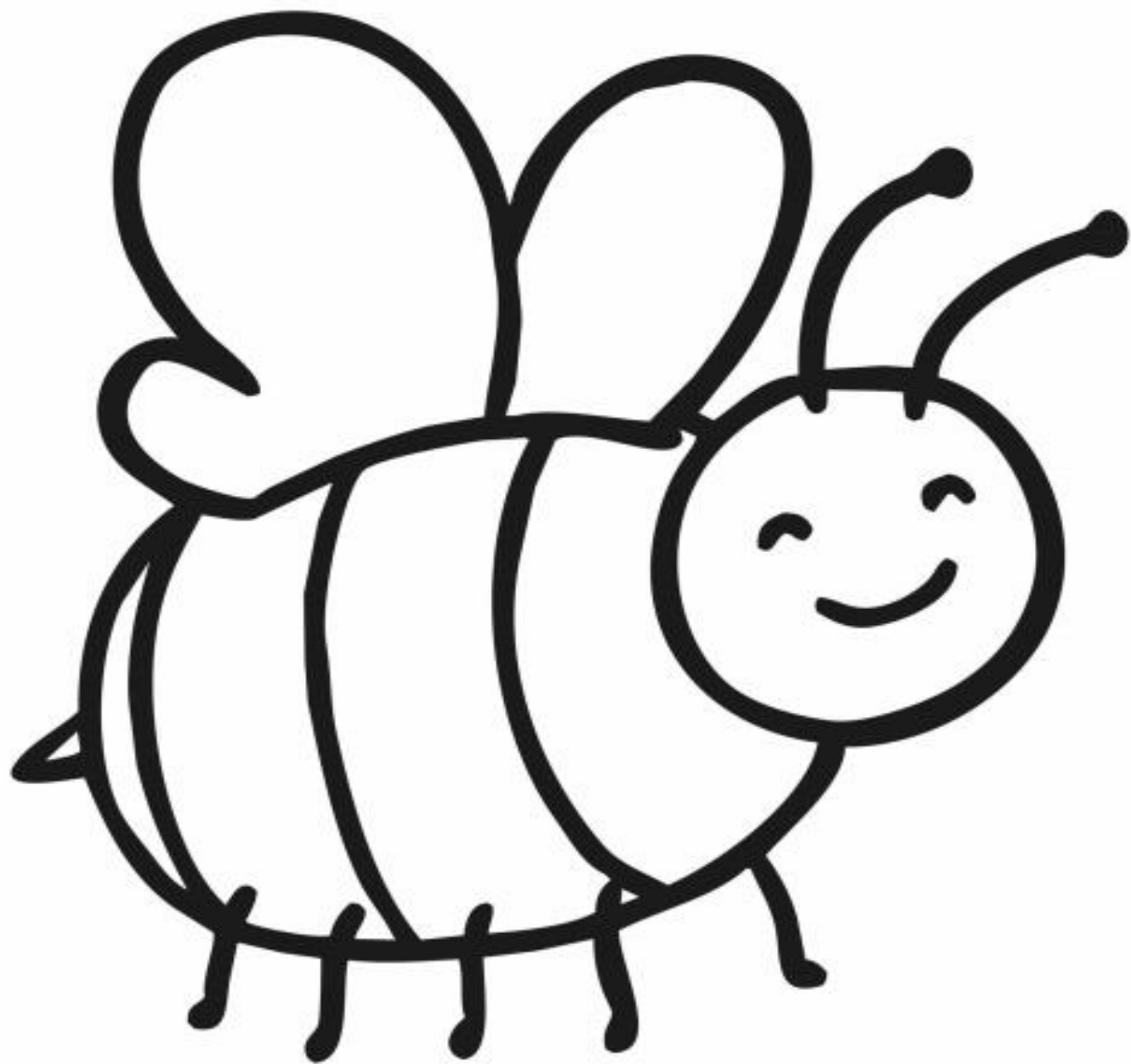
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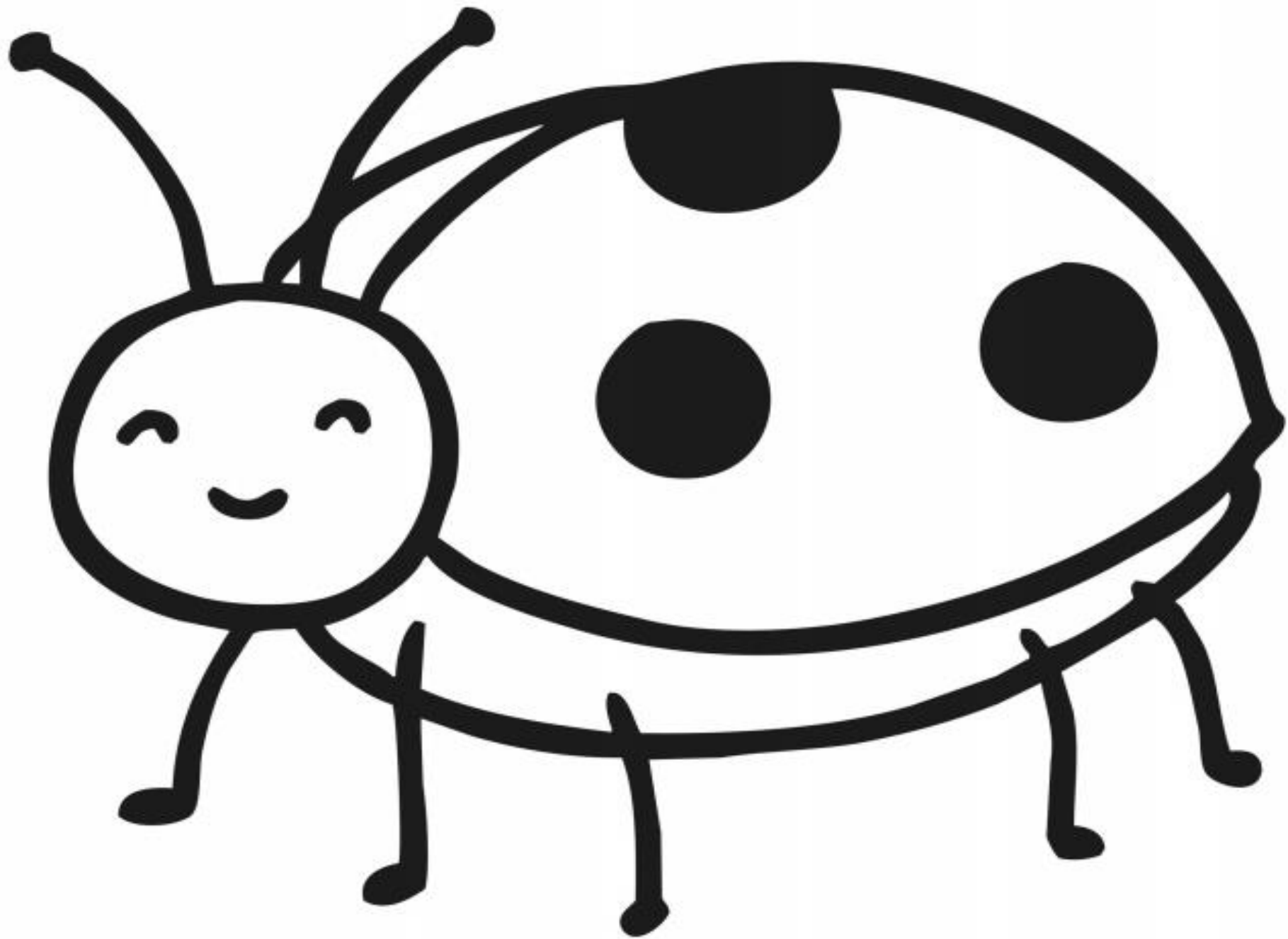


woodlouse



worm







Craft activity.....

Fingerprint Minibeast Garden

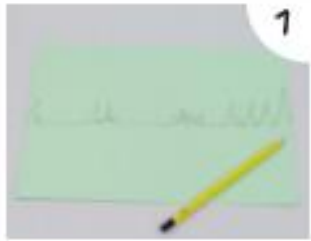
Supplies

- A4 sized blue, green and cream/light brown card
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Selection of paints
- Felt tip pens

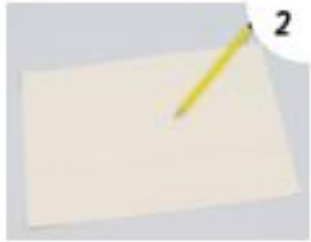


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Instructions



1 Take the green card and place it landscape, then draw a zig zag line going along its width, about half of the way up.



2 Repeat step 1 with the cream/light brown card, this time drawing a wavy line a third of the way up.



3 Cut along the zig zag line. Keep the bottom piece as this will be the grass for the garden. Then repeat with the wavy line, keeping the bottom piece as this will be the soil for the bottom.



4 Have the blue card landscape and use glue to stick the cut out piece of green card along the bottom. Then stick the cream/brown card on top of this. This should leave you with three different coloured layers.



5 Now add minibeasts to the garden! For example, use pink paint on a little finger to print a worm. Leave to dry so that it doesn't get smudged as you add more minibeasts.

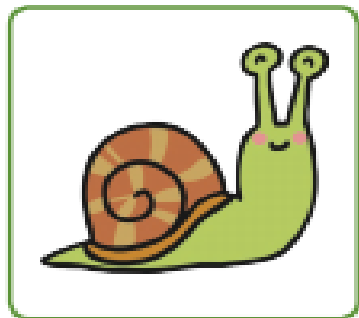
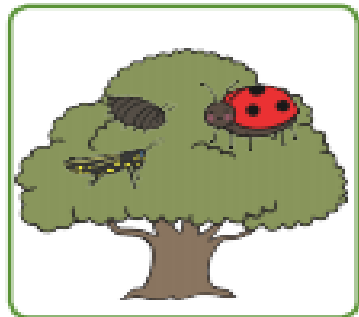
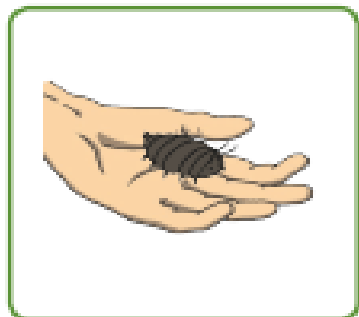


6 Continue to build up minibeasts in the garden using finger prints. Examples include making a spider body using a thumb print, or a caterpillar using finger prints joined up in a line. Leave to dry.



7 Once dry, add details to the minibeasts, such as eyes, and legs, using with felt pens.

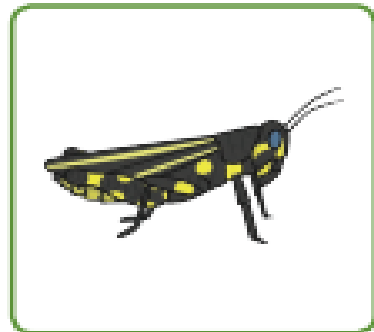
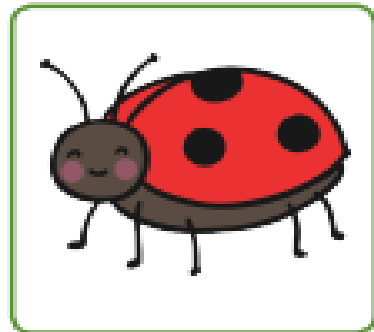
Minibeasts



The insects are on the tree.

The insect has a shell.

The insect is on my hand.



The insect has wings.

They are in the mud.

The insect has spots.

It can jump in the air.

Match the facts with the picture

Craft activity.....

Paper Plate Spider

Supplies

- Paper plate
- Black paint
- Googly eyes
- 8 Black pipe cleaners
- Paint brush
- PVA glue



[Instructions on next page....](#)

Instructions



1 Place the paper plate upside down, then paint it black, before leaving to dry.



2 Use a hole punch to make four holes on either side of the plate, around the rim.



3 Thread a pipe cleaner through one of the holes, then bend it into a zig-zag shape to create a leg. Secure the pipe cleaner by twisting it around itself at the rim of the plate.



4 Repeat step 3 with the remaining seven pipe cleaners.



5 Using PVA glue, stick googly eyes onto the front of the paper plate.

Minibeast movement!

Mrs Fisher challenges you to move like a Minibeast! Watch [this video](#) to see how Minibeasts move. And then have a go yourself!

Minibeast Activity Challenge!

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1

Wiggle along the floor like a worm.
Wiggle! Wiggle!



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3

Keep very still until a fly comes close then... grab it!



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5

Fly around like a buzzing bee!
Buzz! Buzz!



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7

Fly so fast like a speedy dragonfly!



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2

Crawl Crawl Crawl like a ladybird then... fly!



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4

Slither so slowly like a snail...
Slither Slither



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6

Scuttle away like a centipede!
Scuttle! Scuttle!



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8

Fly as quietly as you can... like a butterfly!



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I'd love to see photos or videos of the work you have been doing this week!

Please email them to me at:

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