

Giant bubbles

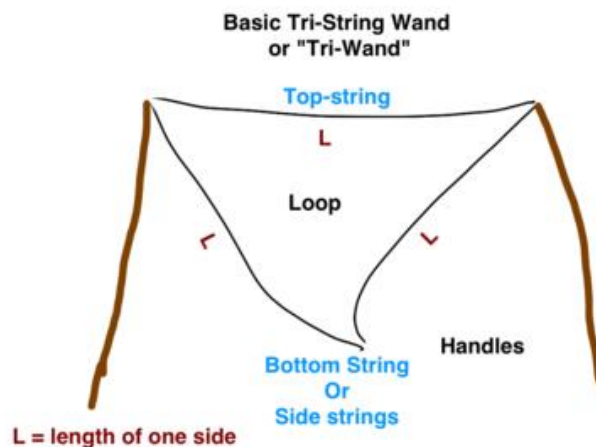
Materials:

- Fairy liquid/ washing liquid
- Two medium length sticks/ Coat hanger
- 3 Pieces medium length string/ shoe lace/ thread
- Bowl of warm water
- Weighted ring/ blue tack – Pretty much anything that will help maintain the triangular shape of the wand string when soaked in water
- AN ADULT!!!

Instructions:

(BEST RESULTS OUTDOORS! – LESS MESS!)

- Making the wand – As shown below; connect sticks using string – attach strings to form triangular shape
- Mix some Fairy Liquid and warm water in bowl – Dip string in water let soak for a few seconds
- Hold wand up, shoulders width apart and begin to walk backwards/ into the wind



Leaf Crown

Materials:

- 10-20 leaves of your choice (DO NOT PICK FROM LIVE TREES)
- 15-25 leaf stems
- AN ADULT!

Instructions:

Leaves may be brittle and fragile, so it is really important to be gentle and patient.

Take some of the leaves and fold the bottoms up and place them inside each other.

Use one of the stems to sew the two leaves together where the folded part of the leaves meet.

Keep repeat the process till you have a long line of leaves attached – This should vary depending on your head size!

When you think you have a long enough line to fit your head, go ahead and attach the last leaf to the first using one of the stems.

You could even make a crown for your cuddly toys! Just adjust the length of the leaves you have in your line.



Bark Rubbing

Materials:

- Any tree (Bark will differ!)
- Any colour paper/Newspaper/Leaves
- Crayons/Colouring pencils/Chalk
- AN ADULT

Instructions:

Every tree has different bark – Just like a fingerprint!

Hold your paper/newspaper/leaf against the bark of the tree (really important to be as gentle as possible so we don't damage the bark) and begin to rub your colouring pencils/crayons or chalk against the tree trunk.

DO NOT COLOUR DIRECTLY ONTO TREES!!!

Can you spot the difference between trees?

Make a tree identifier sheet using your 'barkprints' – You can use this link to help you identify trees! <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/trees-woods-and-wildlife/british-trees/tree-id-app/>

You can also use the sheet provided!









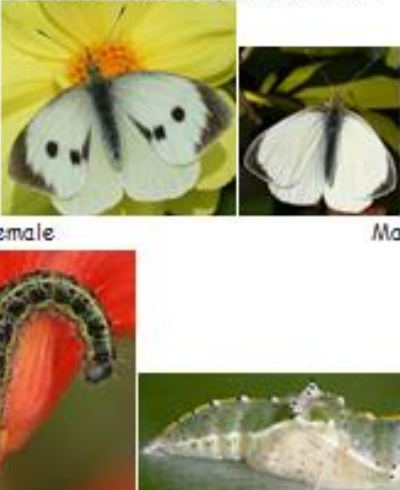

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Bug Hunting

It is really important that we are as gentle as possible when/if handling min-beasts! We must always put them back where we found them!

Mini Beast/Invertebrate Identification Chart

<p>Stag beetle (insect) - Britain's largest insect</p> 	<p>7-Spot Ladybird (insect)</p> 
<p>Common Woodlouse (a crustacean)</p> 	<p>Pseudoscorpion (arachnid)</p> 
<p>Cinnabar Moth (insect)</p> 	<p>Butterfly (insect) - Gatekeeper (<i>Pyronia tithonus</i>)</p> 
<p>Butterfly (insect) - Large White</p>  <p>Female Male</p>	<p>Butterfly (insect) - Meadow Brown</p> 

Honey bee (insect)



Banded white-tailed bumblebee (insect)



Early bumblebee (insect) (U.K.s smallest bumblebee)



Field grasshopper



Spider (Arachnid) - *Nigma Walckenaeri* (rare)



Male

female

Spider (Arachnid) - wolf spiders



Spider (Arachnid) - money spiders
(there are 250 species)



Orb Spider - Wasp Spider (Arachnid) -
Argiope Bruennichi



Earthworm - e.g. Grey worm *Aporrectodea caliginosa* (very common in UK)



Earthworm - e.g. Green worm (green or pale/pink form) *Allolobophora chlorotica* (most common in UK apart from in very acidic soils)



Teddy den making

Materials:

Sticks

Twigs

Leaves

A cuddly toy

AN ADULT

Instructions:

Be careful not to use sticks or twigs that are too big and heavy!

You should find something sturdy like a tree to lean your sticks against to make your den as safe as possible for your toy!

Once you are happy that you have enough sticks to make a solid wall, you can begin to place leaves on top of the sticks and twigs! Try and attach your leaves to the sticks this will help keep your toy safe and dry. Make your toy as comfortable as possible by making miniature carpets from leaves. How will they make food?!

You could take a picture and email it to school!



Bird Hunt

You won't need any equipment for your bird hunt but you may want some paper and pencils so that you can record or draw what you have seen!

You could look for birds from your window if you cannot go outside!

How many different kinds can you spot?



Habitat Hunt

Can you spot any of these animal homes within your local area?
Take a snap or draw any of the habitats that you find!



Rabbit warren
Small, rabbit-sized tunnels dug into banks and under trees



Squirrel drey
A football-sized nest, often built with twigs and leaves and nestled next to a tree trunk



Bat roost
Look out for the tell-tale black streak beneath holes in tree trunks. This is poo!



Tree hollow
Tucked into tree trunks, they're often home to towey owls and little owls



Bird nest
Made with twigs, grass, moss and leaves. Peep among bushes and through tree branches



Spider web
There are different types of web - look out for orb, funnel and sheet web!



Mouse tunnels
Tiny, mouse-sized tunnels. Their entrances are about the size of a 50p coin



Oak galls
Home to gall wasp larvae. As they grow, they feed on the gall.



Mole hills
Piles of soil pushed up out of the ground



Badger sett
Large, badger-sized tunnels, often dug into slopes. Their entrances look like capital Ds on their side



Woodpecker hole
Made by woodpeckers drilling with their beaks



Deadwood
Home to woodlice, stag beetles and millipedes. What else can you find?