Did you know?

Read these interesting facts about minibeasts with a parent, carer or teacher.



Minibeast is the word we use to describe lots of different types of small animals that live outside.



Minibeasts shelter under logs, between rocks, on plants and in minibeast hotels.



Insects are minibeasts. Ladybirds, butterflies and bumblebees are all insects. Insects have six legs, wings, antennae and three body parts.



Caterpillars hatch from eggs laid by butterflies. A fully grown caterpillar becomes a chrysalis. A butterfly hatches from the chrysalis. This is called a butterfly life cycle.





Spiders are minibeasts. They have eight legs and some spin webs from silk.

Snails are minibeasts. They have a hard, spiral-shaped shell.



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Key vocabulary

Explore these words together. Talk with an adult about what each word means, and use the words in a sentence or as you play.



antennae



bumblebee



butterfly



caterpillar



chrysalis



egg



insect



ladybird



leg



life cycle



log



snail



minibeast hotel



spider



plant



rock



shell



web



wing



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