

Summer safari



This summer why not go on a minibeast Safari!

A Safari is when you travel on an adventure to see animals in their natural surroundings. First of all—look at the weather and decide how you need to dress. Do you need a sun hat? Or an umbrella? You could make a telescope from an old kitchen roll tube or a rolled up piece of paper. Grab a notebook and some pencils ready to record what you see.



Ok! Are you are ready to start your safari? Remember that explorers always travel quietly and carefully so they can see as many creatures as possible.



Now for some good places to look for minibeasts; these could be in a garden or your local park:

Peep underneath rocks, logs and flowerpots to see: slow slugs and brave beetles; speedy centipedes and wiggly worms



Stand still by a flower bed and see who visits the flowers for nectar: busy bumblebees and beautiful butterflies

Lie in the grass and feel it tickle your face while you look out for : ambitious ants and chirpy crickets



Look in the compost bin if you have one - you may see wobbly woodlice and shiny snails.

As a safari adventurer you need to watch these creatures carefully and see what they are doing — are they eating, hiding, collecting, climbing, flying, jumping, chasing?

