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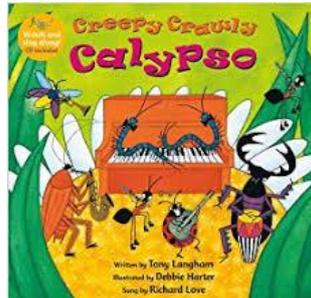
Sensory



Learners

We have put together a selection of ideas for our more sensory learners related to our topic 'It's a Bug's Life'

Please use these either as additional activities to our weekly plan if you are looking for other play-based ideas or feel free to swap activities from the plan for these if they are better suited to your child's learning style.



This week we are looking at the book *Creepy Crawly Calypso* by Tony Langham. It has a really jolly song feel to it and can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f-EsQHR2TQ8>

Activity 1:

Minibeast habitats

Explore different textures in the garden or while out walking. Look at where different minibeasts might live. Use lots of repetitive language to reinforce learning – mud, stones, grass etc...



Activity 2:

Spring bottles: Collecting and sorting different textures into bottles (any used clear plastic bottle will do). You might like to put grass, leaves, stones or mud inside and explore the sounds they make when you shake them or watch the way they move around. Some will be heavier than others, I wonder if they move differently when you roll them.

**Activity 3:**

Cutting grass: developing strength and control in hands. Reinforce the language long grass, short grass, longer, shorter etc...



Activity 4:

Printing minibeasts or patterns: You could use vegetables, sponges, sticks or leaves for printing to make your pictures of different minibeasts. Lots of minibeasts have patterns on them so you might like to print some spots or stripes too. Milk lids or cotton buds are great for making different size spots.

**Activity 5:**

Paper plate spiders web: Make a handprint spider on your plate. Make holes around the edge and thread some wool or string through the holes in any direction to make the web.



Activity 6:

Search for minibeasts: look for minibeasts in your garden or when out walking. Talk about what you found. Can you remember which one you saw first?



Activity 7:

Mud Tray

Create a 'mud' tray and put boiled spaghetti in for worms.

'Mud' Recipe:

1 Can chocolate icing

1 and ¼ Cup flour (any kind)



Activity 8:

Worms!

Worm (or boiled spaghetti!) painting.



Activity 9:

Jelly slime: make up some jelly and add in some toys – if you have minibeasts great but if not any will do. Have fun and enjoy getting messy. The good thing about jelly mess is if you do it outdoors it will wash away easily with some hot water.

