



Imaginative Learning Journey

Beast Creator



TOPIC OVERVIEW

A bug, a creepy-crawly, a beast! He'll tickle your skin, then go in for the sting!

Arachnids, invertebrates, molluscs and myriapods, hiding in nooks and beneath darkened rocks... Come search for these minbeasts and let's sort them out! How many legs? How many wings? Who does it eat and who eats it? Can you classify it? Can you draw or make it?

Build a bug hotel or a wonderful wormery – then watch them wriggle and burrow, mixing earth as they go!

Discover where in the world you'll find the deadliest beasts – scorpions, ants and venomous spiders... perhaps the *Vespa mandarinia japonica* is the one that you fear?

- Why not become a 'Beast Creator'? Selectively breed a killer predator that saves the world from the super-strong aphid... You'll be a hero!

SUBJECT OVERVIEWS

- **ENGLISH:** Non-chronological reports, explanation texts, Kennings.
- **MATHS:** Decimals, percentages and fractions, geometry, shape and space, four rules of number, timetable challenge, daily WINS and weekly Basic Skills assessment.
- **SCIENCE:** Lifecycles of amphibians; insects and arachnids; classification of insects and arachnids, food chains, working scientifically
- **ART and DESIGN:** Technical and line drawings of insects and arachnids, Darwin's drawings of animals.
- **COMPUTING:** Using the web; game design
- **DESIGN and TECHNOLOGY:** Model making
- **GEOGRAPHY:** Local fieldwork, contrasting locations
- **PHYSICAL EDUCATION:** Creativity and static balance
- **PSHE:** SRE, debating ethical issues
- **R.E:** Life as a journey: rites of passage
- **MUSIC:** Classroom Jazz
- **FRENCH:** Food and drink

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HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD

- **Reading Books:** Please read with your child at least 3 times a week so that they complete the reading challenge. Please make sure your child's reading book is in their bag every day.
- **Homework:** Maths- based on class work
English - Grammar or comprehension activity.
Spellings - weekly
- **Water bottles/snack:** Your child may bring a healthy playtime snack e.g. fruit and fruit juice/water (no fizzy drinks please). You may send in a water bottle for lesson time.
- **PE:** Please ensure that your child has the correct kit in school (white t-shirt, black shorts, pumps and a spare pair of socks if your child normally wears tights).