

Activity 1

MINIBEAST HUNT



Hi, I'm Ravinda! I'm a biologist, which means I study nature.

This week I'm looking at minibeasts, small creatures with no bones.

There are some amazing things hidden in the tiny world of minibeasts and I need your help to go on a minibeast hunt! Make sure you get a grown up to help you and always remember to be gentle with bugs.

DID YOU KNOW?

There are over 20,000 species of minibeasts in the UK and over one million in the world!

This makes identifying the exact type very hard. You've done a good job if you can find the group of animals your bug belongs to.

YOUR CHALLENGE

1 OBSERVE

Hunt for minibeasts in books or on the internet or head outside and find some real ones under rocks, beneath logs or on windowsills.



2 IDENTIFY

Use buglife.org.uk to find out what type of bug you've found.



3 PRESENT

Draw, craft or describe your minibeasts – tell us what the coolest parts are!



**DON'T FORGET
TO TAKE PICTURES!**



RAVINDA'S TOP TIPS

If you want to take a closer look at your minibeasts, use a small clear box and a paintbrush to carefully scoop them up.

Make sure you are gentle and that you put them back where you found them.

