

Activity 2

WHAT IS MIMICRY?



Thank you so much for helping me with my minibeast challenge.

I love minibeasts, but I also like many other things that can be found in nature. Did you know that lots of things in the natural world use something called mimicry? Can you help me find out what it is?

DID YOU KNOW?

Many groups of animals use mimicry!

Stick insects, peacock butterflies, longhorn beetles and ant-mimicking spiders all use mimicry, even some plants and flowers use it too!



YOUR CHALLENGE

DON'T FORGET TO TAKE PICTURES!

1 RESEARCH

Find out what mimicry is and find some amazing examples of it being used in nature! Check out the Did You Know for a good starting place.



2 BUILD

Create a costume that helps you hide like a bug by mimicking something (it could be something in your house or something you find in your favourite outside places).



3 TEST

Ask your friends and family to guess what you are mimicking!



RAVINDA'S TOP TIPS

Camouflage is a type of mimicry. You can research this as well.