

Activity: What Insect am I? / insect charades

Kit needed:

- Plain card A4 or smaller
- Pens/pencils
- Insect Fact sheets

Group/ family size: 2+

Age Group: 4+

Location: garden or local green space

Learning about: How insects behave and move, teamwork, building confidence, exploring the outdoors

Instructions:

Firstly you need some card, you should try and make it no bigger than a5 or half of an a4 piece. Then using that card and pens/pencils you can draw your own insect on the card and label what it is. Or you can cut insect pictures out of magazines or print them off and stick them on the card. Each person should try and make at least 2 cards and keep them a secret from other players (although you may need an adults help with cutting).

Once each player has created 2 or more cards then you are ready to play, the rules are basically the same as charades; the cards all get put in a pile and mixed up and the person who choses the card must act out the actions/ behaviours of that insect until the other players have guessed.

This game is best played outside where you can use natural materials as props for younger children, will you buzz like a bee? Or march like an ant? Fly like a lady bird or wriggle like a worm?.

Additional comments:

When you are playing or looking for materials please avoid private property/ land unless you have the landowner's permission.



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Watch out for stinging insects, brambles and nettles, be careful not to disturb wildlife or destroy habitats.