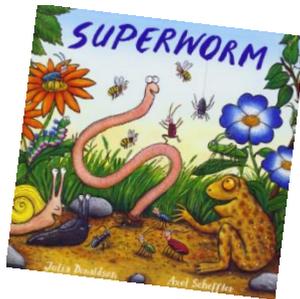


Book of the Week

Superworm

Here is a story film version:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Jnk3XApKBg>

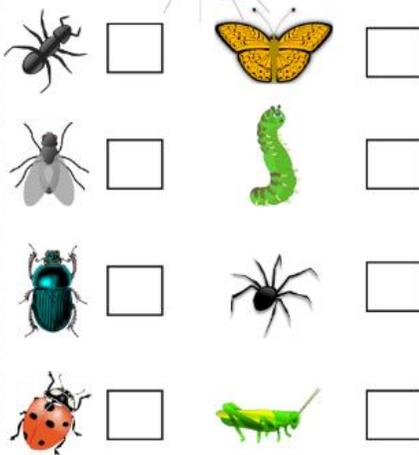


Rainbows and Stars
Home Learning Activities
Summer Term – Week 7
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Weekly Literacy Activities

My mini beast scavenger hunt

I can find...



- Slide like a snail. Flutter like a butterfly. Wriggle like a caterpillar. Slither like a worm. March like an ant! Can you follow the different, mini-beast action instructions and make some more of your own?
- See if you can follow the instructions attached to make your own worm hotel and observe how the worms move and what they get up to! How many words can you think of to describe what the worms are doing and how they are moving?
- Write your own story about a different animal who becomes a superhero.
- Use the story to create a collection of rhyming words and phrases. Can you think of any other words which rhyme?
- Think of some questions you might like to ask Superworm. How do you think he'd respond?
- Find all of the different ways Superworm was used to help in the story. Can you make a new page where Superworm helps another animal? How can he use his long body to help?
- Design a superhero costume for Superworm to wear!
- Draw Superworm and write as many describing words (adjectives) around him as possible! Can you turn these words into a sentence and write it down with a full stop? "Superworm is..."

Weekly Maths Activities

- We have thought a lot about mini-beasts over the last few weeks! Have a look at the patterns on the next page. Can you continue each pattern and then make your own?
- Superworm is super long! But how long is he? Have a look at the worms on the next page. Can you count the sections, starting from the different numbers? Now try to complete the worms counting backwards!
- Superworm turns into a skipping rope in the story. How many skips can you do in a minute? How else can you move your body like Superworm? Can you hula hoop for one minute? Can you swing your arms like the swing? Can you count 20 of each move?
- Worms come to the surface when they hear the rain on the ground. Sometimes noises convince them that it is raining and to come up. Can you make your own rain dance to make the worms appear? Have a look at the example on the next page.
- Grown-ups can cook some spaghetti until almost cooked and then rinse them under cold water. (You can add food colouring too to make it more exciting!) You now have some worms! Can you cut them with scissors? Can you order them by length? Maybe you could use a tape measure or ruler! Can you compare the lengths to other objects in your house? What is the longest worm as long as? What is your shortest worm as long as?
- Play the worm race game with another person in your house! You will need 2 (or more!) people and some wool, thread or string. Cut the wool into worm sized pieces and hide them around the house. 3, 2, 1, GO! Set off hunting for bits of worm and then come back to your base, tying your pieces together as you go (use sticky tape if this is a bit tricky). The winner is the person with the longest worm.
- Can you sort the creatures from the story into different groups? How will you sort them? Can you explain why you have put some animals together and some apart? Talk about their similarities and differences.



Worm Rain Dance

10 stamps - one foot
10 stamps - other foot

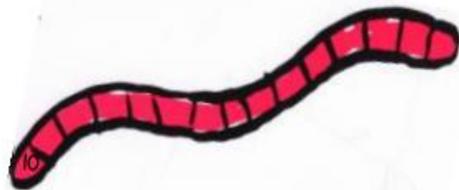
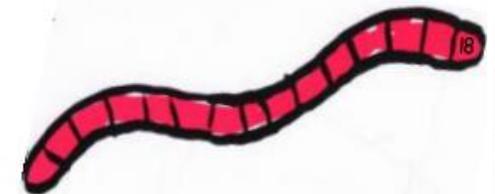
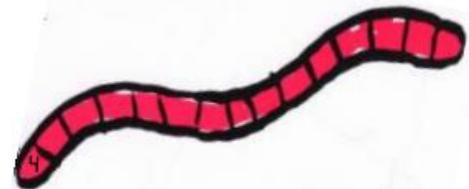
6 claps

5 bunny hops

2 spins

4 times

shout "RAIN"



Make Your Own Worm Hotel

Science Experiment



Method

1. You are going to create a layer effect in the jar, using sand and soil.
2. Start by pouring about 1" of sand into the bottom of the jar.
3. Then, alternate between 1" layers of sand and soil until the layers reach the top of the jar.
4. Pour some water on top of the layers and then put the earthworms on top.
5. The worms should start to burrow downwards straight away.
6. To keep the inside of the jar dark, stick your dark paper around the outside of the jar.
7. Leave the top off the jar so the worms get some air.
8. Leave the jar for 3-4 days then pull the paper off.
9. Have the worms moved through the jar?
10. Can you still see layers of soil and sand?
11. As the worms have travelled, they have mixed all the layers together!
12. Return the worms to their natural habitat after being in the jar for about a week.



You will need:

- Large glass jar
- Sand
- Potting soil
- Dark coloured construction paper
- Sticky tape
- 3-4 big, healthy earthworms
- Water

