Earthworms as Context for Progression in STEM

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Suggestions for	or Progression in	Learning and	Teaching
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CfE	Organiser	Level	Activity	Resources
IDL	n/a	Early/First	Misc	Superworm STEM Trail based on the book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Schaefler See pdf resource from Emma Brown, North Ayrshire Council. Activity cards can be used to create an outdoor trail of STEM investigations (see equipment box and shared pdf)
IDL	n/a	Early/First/Second	Activities to develop biodiverse spaces in garden/school grounds.	Suggestions for making spaces wildlife friendly and spaces to help prevent decline of common garden species – including earthworms. https://www.wildaboutgardens.org.uk/
Sciences -	Skills: Develop the skills of scientific inquiry and investigation using practical techniques	Early/First/Second	Worm charming – investigate one method of worm charming, create questions, collaborate with others to create questions, make suggestions for other methods	Learning Through Landscapes Scotland resource download https://www.ltl.org.uk/resources/worm-charming/ RHS Hunt for Worms Information Sheet https://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/resources/info-sheet/hunt-for-worms Great British Science Share — question maker resources https://www.greatscienceshare.org/
Sciences	Biodiversity and Interdependence Information Handling	First/Second +	Earthworm Survey – repeat seasonally/annua lly	OPAL Earthworm Survey https://www.imperial.ac.uk/opal/surveys/soilsurvey/ This was a Citizen Science initiative. Now closed to new data but resources available and possible to use in your own surveys. Scientific methods demonstrated.
Technology Sciences	Craft, Design, Engineering: Application of Engineering Biodiversity and Interdependence	Second +	Make a compost wormery	Make a compost wormery in a raised bed EAC LOST/TCV Green Gym wormery-in-a-raised-bed/ Make a mini wormery RHS Earth Matters Topic https://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/Resources/Activity/Mini-wormery Free worms from the Urban Worm — Spring 2022 The Urban Worm would like to give you Free worms! Build your own worm farm and The Urban Worm will send you the worms https://www.facebook.com/theurbanwormUK/posts/2533192123480991





