

The Bug Collector will be gifted to every Primary 2 child in Scotland in 2021 in the Read Write Count Primary 2 bag.

This document provides some suggestions for further STEM learning activities to compliment children's learning from this book and to help further develop their understanding of the key messages about biodiversity, food chains and the role insects have to play in pollination and seed dispersal.



Suggested Activity	Links & helpful resources
Take part in a virtual museum tour just like George and his Grandad.	<a href="https://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/virtual-museum.html">https://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/virtual-museum.html</a>
Find out why museums collect insects	<a href="https://www.nms.ac.uk/explore-our-collections/films/why-do-we-collect-insects/">https://www.nms.ac.uk/explore-our-collections/films/why-do-we-collect-insects/</a>
Explorify Activity -Odd One Out "Friends of Flowers" - Put your class' observation skills to the test with these three pollinating animals. This activity is great for promoting observation and discussion skills.	<a href="https://explorify.uk/en/activities/odd-one-out/friends-of-flowers">https://explorify.uk/en/activities/odd-one-out/friends-of-flowers</a> requires free sign-up
Go on a bug hunt - Use the magnifying glasses in your bags to examine what you find - Make a map of where you find the bugs in your playground, what was their surroundings like? - -Design your own wildlife garden, what would you include to attract as much wildlife as possible?	<a href="https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/families/family-wild-challenge/activities/go-on-a-bug-safari/">https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/families/family-wild-challenge/activities/go-on-a-bug-safari/</a>
Make a bug hotel - Encourage insects to visit your school grounds with this activity from SSERC	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aQShgicRF5U">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aQShgicRF5U</a> SSERC powerpoint to support this activity <a href="#">click here</a>
Worm charming - How many worms can you charm out of the ground? No digging allowed!	<a href="https://www.ltl.org.uk/resources/worm-charming/">https://www.ltl.org.uk/resources/worm-charming/</a>
Wildlife Corridor Game - A parachute-style game to teach about habitat fragmentation and wildlife corridors.	<a href="https://www.ltl.org.uk/resources/wildlife-corridor-game/">https://www.ltl.org.uk/resources/wildlife-corridor-game/</a>
At Home in the Soil - Have you ever stopped to wonder what lives in the soil in your outdoor area? Next time you have a mini-beast hunt, try digging a little deeper...	Link to Owl Scotland "The World Beneath Our Feet" resource <a href="#">click here</a>
Camouflage Caterpillars - An active game that develops understanding of adaptation, food chains and encourages number process work through play.	<a href="https://www.ltl.org.uk/resources/camouflage-caterpillars/">https://www.ltl.org.uk/resources/camouflage-caterpillars/</a>
Find out why bees are so important to our world	<a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/22040953">https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/22040953</a>
Investigate forces by making a climbing bug in this SSERC activity	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WZjslrJgZHw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WZjslrJgZHw</a>
Investigate the body of a beetle through this beetle-drive game.	<a href="https://www.science-sparks.com/beetle-game/">https://www.science-sparks.com/beetle-game/</a> (site contains adverts)

Link to Read Write Count web page for The Bug Collector [here](#)

Find the Read Write Count learning map for The Bug Collector [here](#)

Find the link to the Read Write Count Read Aloud video for The Bug Collector [here](#)