

Fiction & Non-Fiction books



Fiction books

- ★ Tell a story
- ★ Characters
- ★ Illustrations



Non-Fiction books

- ★ Tell you information
- ★ Contents page
- ★ Glossary
- ★ Index
- ★ Diagrams and labels
- ★ Full of interesting facts



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Glossary

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abdomen The back part of a creepy-crawly's body. Inside the abdomen is the heart, and the various parts that break down food and help a creature produce its young.



antenna (*plural antennae*) One of a pair of feelers that pick up scents and tastes on the air, and help an animal feel its way around.

bug A group of insects with a long, sharp feeding tube, which they use to pierce animals or plants and suck out their juices.

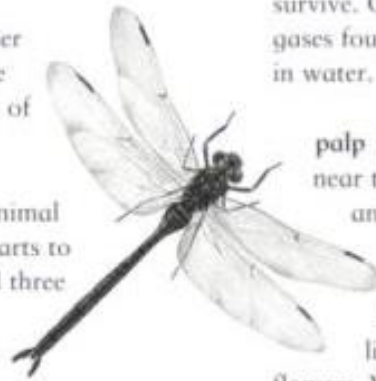
camouflage The colours and markings on an animal, which

fang The claw-like part of a spider's jaws that it uses to stick into an animal and inject poison.

gill The part of an animal's body that allows it to breathe under water. The gills soak up oxygen that has dissolved in water. The nymphs of water insects, such as damselflies and dragonflies, have gills. So do tadpoles and crabs.

grub Another name for the legless larva of an insect.

insect An animal with three parts to its body and three pairs of jointed legs.



nymph The young stage of an insect, such as a grasshopper or a dragonfly, which changes gradually into an adult without passing through a pupa stage.



oxygen A gas that all animals need to breathe in order to survive. Oxygen is one of the gases found in the air, and in water.

palp One of a pair of feelers near the jaws of a spider or an insect, which feel and taste its food.

pollen The yellow dust-like powder made by flowers. When insects or the wind

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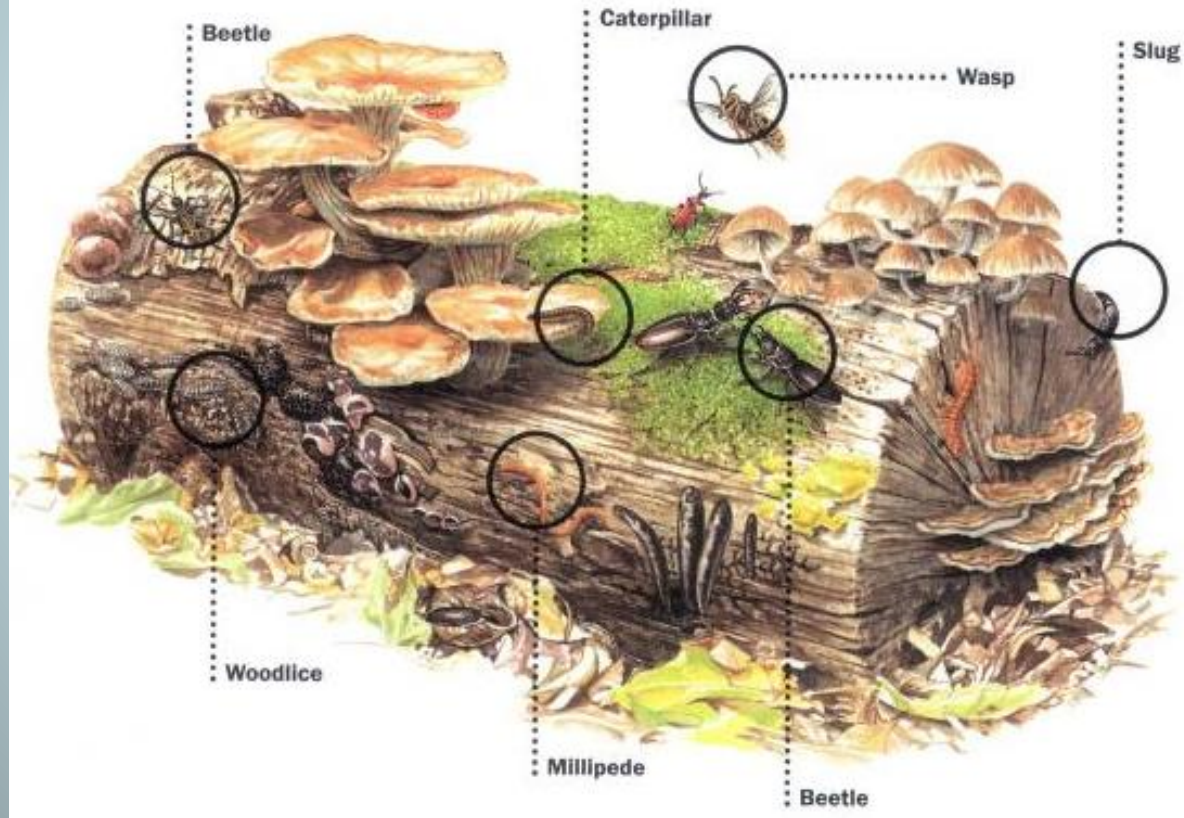
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Diagrams

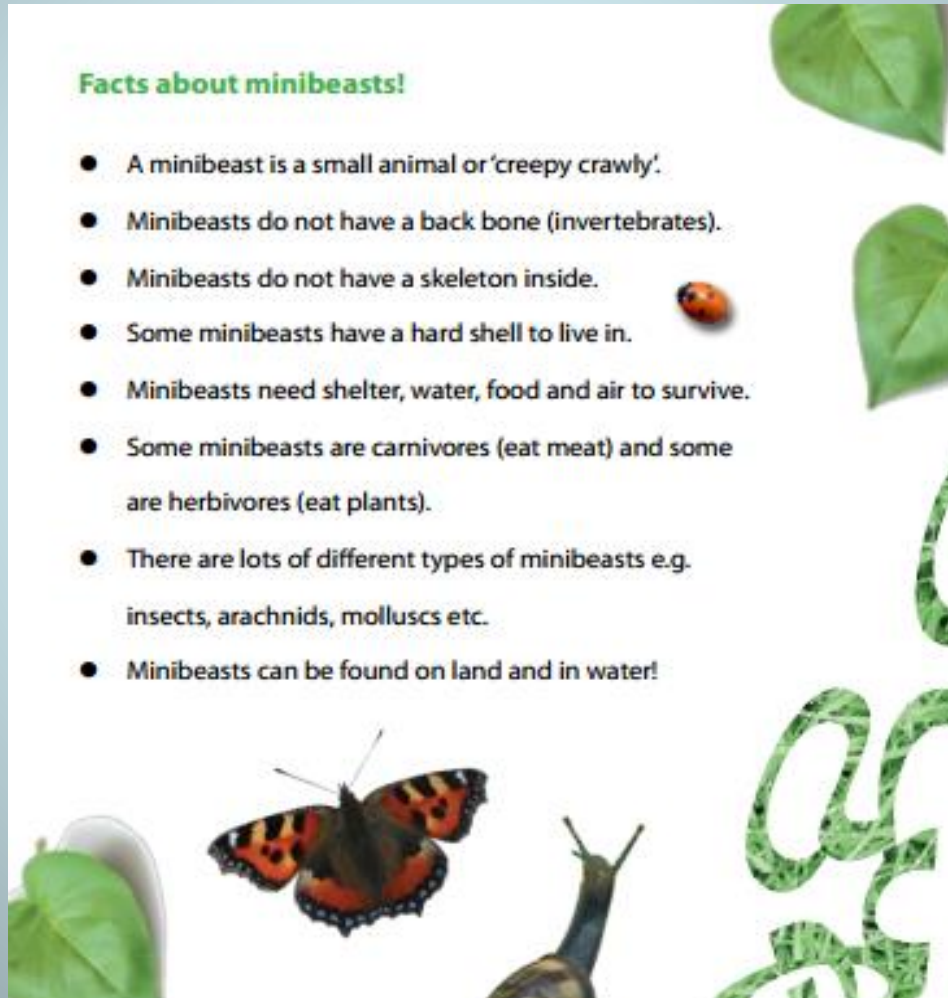
The vast variety of mini-beasts you could find in your garden



Interesting facts

Facts about minibeasts!

- A minibeast is a small animal or 'creepy crawly'.
- Minibeasts do not have a back bone (invertebrates).
- Minibeasts do not have a skeleton inside.
- Some minibeasts have a hard shell to live in.
- Minibeasts need shelter, water, food and air to survive.
- Some minibeasts are carnivores (eat meat) and some are herbivores (eat plants).
- There are lots of different types of minibeasts e.g. insects, arachnids, molluscs etc.
- Minibeasts can be found on land and in water!



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