

**Habitats in Britain**

**Monday**

Hello children. We hope you had a lovely weekend and you're ready for a new week of learning. Let's hope it doesn't rain every day! This week, we shall be exploring the habitats that can be found where we live in Great Britain.

Last week, you found out what a habitat is and why different animals are suited to these environments. Today we are going to learn about the **Woodland** habitat.

A Woodland is an area where you will find lots of trees close to one another. Watch these videos to find out more:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx882hv/articles/zc42xnb>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OLBSOKqVNcU>

A woodland habitat provides shelter and food for a range of creatures. Perhaps you could google to find out some more information.

**Task:**

Over the course of this week, we would like you to produce a piece of non fiction writing called: '**Habitats in Britain**' (This is your title) Under the title, write this subheading: '**Woodland Habitat**' and write a brief explanation of what a Woodland habitat is and the different creatures you would find there. You may wish to draw a picture and label it to accompany your writing. You can be creative with how you present your work!

**Bonus Task:**

Perhaps you could go on a woodland walk this week and go on a scavenger hunt! How many items can you find from this list?

# WOODLAND SCAVENGER HUNT

Explore the magic and mystery of the woods by hunting for tiny items, high and low. Collect as many items on the list as you can and put them in your bag or bucket, making sure not to disturb any wildlife as you go.




**COLLECT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

- An acorn
- A feather
- A bit of wood that looks like an animal
- Something smooth
- A colourful leaf
- A winged seed
- Something that you can tie

- A broken bird egg
- Something yellow
- Fur or hair from a wild animal
- A snail shell
- Something that can float
- A pine cone
- Something spikey








**COOL WILD**

## Tuesday

If you have managed to go on your woodland walk yet, you will have noticed a range of minibeasts enjoying the leaves, twigs, moss and flowers on the woodland floor. These microhabitats are the perfect home for a range of creepy crawlies!

**Task:** Today, we would love it if you could create your own habitat for a minibeast! There are two ways you may wish to do this. If you are lucky enough to have a garden, you could find a spot to build up your minibeast home. There are so many ways to do this and there is no right or wrong way! As long as you have some shelter and food for your creatures to live happily, you can be very creative with it. Here are some ideas:

<https://www.edenproject.com/learn/for-everyone/how-to-build-an-insect-home>





OR if you don't have a garden (or want to bring the outside inside) you could create a bug home in an old ice cream tub or similar! As long as you have some air holes so your creature can breathe, this could be a cosy home for you to be able to study your bugs closely! Collect some twigs, leaves, and soil on your daily walk and place inside. Then find a creature like a woodlouse to enjoy it! Remember to let it go after a couple of days.

Now write your next subheading: **'My minibeast home'** And write an explanation as to how you went about making it! Remember to use some time words like: First, Next and Finally to sequence your writing. Or you could draw a picture and label it.

### **Wednesday**



In Portsmouth, we are very lucky to be surrounded by water and the beach is another lively habitat we have in our country!

Open up the powerpoint to find out more or visit this website to read about coastal habitats.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx882hv/articles/zy38wmn>

Have you ever been to visit some rock pools when the tide is out or gone crabbing? What creatures have you seen when you've had a day trip to the beach and a paddle in the sea?

**Task:** Write the subheading **'Coastal habitat'** and write a brief description. Your non fiction report is building up nicely now! So far you should have 3 sections.

**'Woodland habitat' 'My minibeast home' and 'Coastal habitat'**

## Thursday



Plastic Pollution is one of the biggest problems facing our natural world at the moment. Sadly, many plastics wash up on our beaches endangering the creatures that call our oceans and beaches home. People are being encouraged to stop using 'single use plastic' and to recycle as much as they can to avoid mountains of plastic washing up on our shores. Explore this website to find out more.

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/coastline>

**Task:** Under the heading '**Save our coastline**' Write about how single use plastic is damaging our coastline and suggest ways people can help to reduce their plastic use. You may want to present it in a poster format? To encourage people to think carefully about how to protect our beaches.

### **Bonus task:**

Have you ever taken part in a beach clean? Many people visit our beaches armed with bin bags to collect the rubbish that has been left behind or washed up on the shore. Perhaps this is something you'd like to do yourself? Remember to keep safe, wear gloves and work closely with an adult.



## **Friday**

What a wonderful week of home learning, looking at two different habitats you can find in Great Britain. Next week, we shall be exploring some habitats around the world!

**Task:** To complete your non fiction report, research another habitat found in the UK. It can be any one you like! Then write down what you have found out under your last subheading. PLEASE send us photos of your completed project! Including your minibeast homes! We would love to see them.

Take care everyone and have a lovely weekend.  
Love from the Year 2 teachers x