

Saskatchewan Parks Classroom Resources

Activity Summary:

Activity Name: _____

Curriculum
Outcomes: _____



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Information for Teachers

A Note from SaskParks, to You:

These resources were created by SaskParks' Visitor Experience team to bring joy of nature exploration to your classroom. We hope that your class is able to enjoy the outdoor experience that our parks have to offer by utilizing these activities designed to inspire learning!

How to Print This Activity:

1. Open this file in Adobe Acrobat
2. Select "Print"
3. Select the number of copies you want to print
4. Under "Pages to Print" select "Pages" and in the space to the right, type in your preferred activity pages.
5. Select "Print" in the bottom right hand corner

Additionally, if you wish to print this as a smaller booklet, follow steps 1 - 4 above, and then:

1. Under "Page Sizing & Handling," select "Booklet"
2. Select "Print" in the bottom right hand corner
3. Once printed, fold the booklet down the middle of the page. No staples required!

It is recommended you print one copy to start to ensure it prints correctly.

Bug Detectives



You have been chosen for a
very important task!
Scientists in your area want
to know more about bugs.

Become a bug detective!



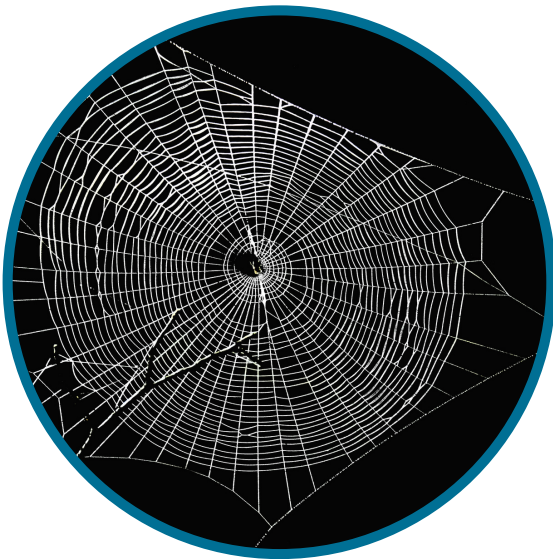
Download the iNaturalist app, and become a citizen
scientist for the day! Observe, record, and identify as many
species as you can to show the world just how bio-diverse
your area really is!



Welcome to iNaturalist!
This app lets you record observations from
nature and share them with the iNaturalist
community. This tutorial will give you a
quick introduction to the app.

Where does our investigation begin?

Keep an eye out! Since bugs are quite small, they can be found in many places. In order to have a successful investigation, we must begin by searching for clues!



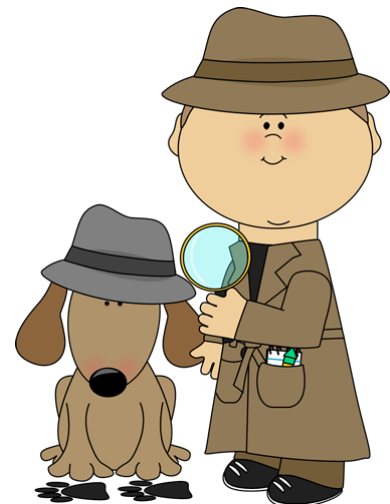
Warning: Do Not Touch

Bug Finding Rules and Tools

1. Make sure you bring everything you need (refer to tools list).
2. Stay on designated paths and trails to ensure you do not step on the bugs.
3. Do not destroy the bugs home.
4. Do not harm or kill the bugs; everything on Earth has an importance and we must respect them.
5. Do not touch the bugs; our hands may have harmful substances (hand sanitizer) on them and can potentially harm the bugs.
6. Do not leave anything behind; proper clean up is essential to be a good detective.
7. Be considerate to other detectives.

Tools that may be helpful to a Bug Detective:

- Good footwear
- Outdoor clothing
- Magnifying glass
- Bug containers and viewers
- Gloves
- Pencil and paper
- Bug nets
- Backpack





Bug Research Sheet



Date:

☐ Does it Have Wings?

☐ Does it Have Antennae?

☐ Is It's Body Hard?

How Many Legs Does it Have? _____

What Kind of Bug do You Think it is?

Does it Do Anything To Protect Itself from Predators?

What is Interesting About Your Insect?

Draw A Picture of Your Bug!

What Type of Habitat Did you Find it in?

Test Your Detective Skills!

What was the most common bug you found? _____

How many different bugs did you find? _____

Did anything surprise you about the bugs? _____

Compare your bug to a friend's. What was different? _____

Where was the best habitat to find bugs? _____

What was your favourite bug? _____

Congratulations! You are now a graduated Bug Detective! Cut out your badge and keep it in a safe place in case we need your help again!

