

Microhabitats and adaptation

living-things

What you need: hand magnifiers · minibeast ID sheets (woodlouse, earthworm, garden spider, snail, ant, centipede, ground beetle, slug) · clipboards · small clear collection pots with lids · soft artists' paintbrushes for gentle handling · Investigation Journal page · photos or a clear view of a log microhabitat and a wall microhabitat for the hook · three labelled indoor microhabitat trays (log/litter, grass/soil, wall/hard surface) for wet-day route · laminated minibeast photo evidence packs (log, grass and wall finds)

Words to use

Microhabitat · Adaptation · Suited to a habitat

Our question

Which living things are found in each school-ground microhabitat, and which adaptations suit those places?

I predict...because...

What we found out

Why does it suit its home?

Choose one living thing you found and finish: It has _____, which suits it to _____ because _____.

Which microhabitat held the most kinds of living thing in our class data?

Name two adaptations and the microhabitat each suits, using something you actually found or did not find.

