

Visual Arts Planning: Insects and Minibeasts

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Insects are great subjects for both observational and experimental drawing. With long, slim limbs, fat bodies, iridescent colours, and delicate wings, they provide plenty of opportunities to experiment with line, colour, and form in expressive ways.

Tell us what you are planning to cover or explore this term in your school or institution and we'll recommend resources or learning approaches which we think might feed your teaching.

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Explore Insect and Minibeast Resources...

iridescent insects



Draw and emboss, inspired by 'Hojalata
continuous line minibeasts



Create drawings of flies, spiders, ants
and beetles

minibeast artwork



Create a collaborative collage

insect cubes



Create drawings focusing on scale and materials

Drawing exotic insects



Draw insects from a 'handling collection'

Drawing insects in black pen



Experiment with using a black pen to draw insects

Drawing insects big



Make gestural, large-scale drawings of insects

'Drawing' wire insects



Use modelling wire to 'draw' an insect

Making insect sculptures



Use insects as a theme for wire sculptures

the wildflower meadow



A simple drawing, collaging and painting activity

Insect Hotels



[In this two-part resource, explore making and drawing](#)

Drawing with Tape on walls



[Create a tree of life with gaffe and electrical tape](#)

Making insects & birds for a school tree



[Create birds and insects for a school tree](#)

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