

# BUG INVESTIGATOR



GET  
ADVENTUROUS



30 MINUTES



IN THE  
CUPBOARD



## GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

Measure out a small square of soil in your garden and investigate what is hidden beneath the surface. How many worms, ants and other creatures will you find?

For this activity you'll need a small (roughly 30cm) square of soil to dig in. This might be the corner of a flower bed in the garden. If you can't do this, then you could explore without digging, just by looking under logs, leaves and other objects on the floor and this could be done whilst you are out at a local park or open space.

Before you start digging in your square, make some predictions. What bugs do you think you might find? How many of each bug will be in the soil? Write down your predictions and then carefully start digging. As you dig, remember to count each bug and record in on your paper.

After you've finished digging take a look at your predictions and see how close you were. Did you find any bugs you weren't expecting? Were your predictions close or did you find lots more / far less?



## WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Trowel / Spade
- Pen & Paper



## NOTES FOR PARENTS & CARERS

All activity should be supervised by an adult. We do not advise digging up holes in parks or other open space, but just moving items to see what is beneath the surface. Share a picture of your bug investigation with your BB group or post on social media using #BBatHOME.