

Title: The bug hunt

Objectives:

- stimulating students' imagination;
- enhancing students' knowledge of the nature and animals;
- encouraging children to learn new things through play.

Materials, equipment: for two students – a plastic box, sand or potting soil in bags, worms/bugs, for each student – rubber gloves, magnifying glass, tweezers, a small plastic box, a pen and worksheet.

Stage 1: It's better to play the game outdoors, however depending on the weather conditions it can also be played inside the school.

Stage 2: A teacher prepares the working spot for the young researchers at the playground. There are tables for each group of students, on the tables there are all materials and the equipment. Next to each table there is a wooden/ plastic box filled with sand or soil, the teacher places the worms/bugs inside.

Stage 3: Children work in pairs (or groups), their task is to find the bugs, then to put the bugs into the small, plastic box. Children investigate the behaviour and the structural features of the animals. Students write their observations and exchange them with other groups.

Have fun!