

Yarm Primary

Nursery

Enquiry Question: What will you find down at the pond?



Subject Specific Vocabulary		Key Vocabulary	Sticky Knowledge about Ponds
Pond	A small body of fresh water, which can occur naturally or be man made.	fresh water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A pond does not have any running water.
Amphibian	An animal that can live on land and in water, such as a frog.	lily pad	
Insect	A small animal, such as an ant, fly or beetle, with six legs and no backbone.	frog	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ponds are not as deep as lakes. Sunlight can often reach the bottom of a pond.
Mammal	Any animal of which a female gives birth to live young and can feed them with their own milk.	tadpole	
Bird	An animal with feathers, two wings, two legs and a beak.	life cycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ponds house so much wildlife – birds, insects, mammals and amphibians all rely on our ponds
		habitat	

Activity 1

Go on a 'Minibeast hunt' in your garden. What 'Minibeasts' can you find?

Look under stones, rocks, logs and in the soil.

Take photographs or draw pictures of what you have found. Ask an adult to help you to find out a little bit about some of the minibeasts. You can either use the internet or use any books you may have.



Activity 2

What creatures do you think live in and around a pond? Draw pictures of as many as you can think of.



Activity 3

Do you know the song '5 little speckled frogs'? This can easily be found on you tube. Sing along and do the actions.

Can you make, paint or draw the 5 speckled frogs? Cut them out and use them while you sing the song.



Activity 4

Do you know what a baby frog is called? Does it look like it's Mummy or Daddy? Ask an adult to help you find out about the life cycle of a frog. Let us know what you have found out!



Activity 5

Do you know the song '5 little ducks'? This can also be found on you tube. Sing along and do the actions.

Do you know what a baby duck is called? A baby duck comes from an egg. Can you find out which other animals lay eggs?

With an adult explore the different ways you can cook eggs – boiled / scrambled / poached etc – Which is your favourite?

Alternatively, can you decorate an egg?

