

Prior knowledge – our past science knowledge that will support learning during this enquiry.

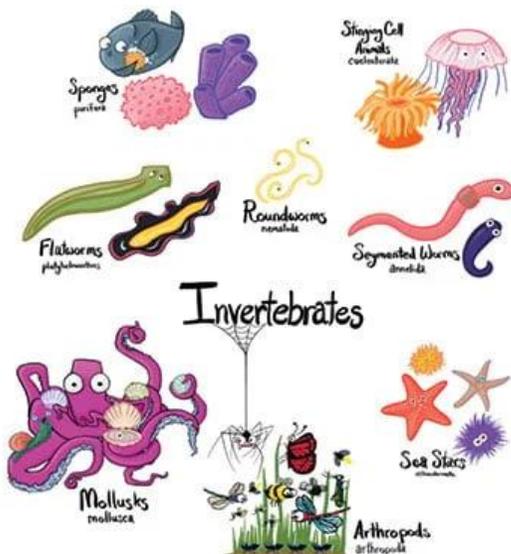
Odd One Out!

Put a cross by the animal you wouldn't usually find in the habitat.

Ocean		Rainforest	
Shark 	Elephant 	Toucan 	Snake 
Whale 	Octopus 	Fox 	Sloth 

Woodland		Desert	
Penguin 	Squirrel 	Camel 	Rattlesnake 
Badger 	Owl 	Lizard 	Whale 

Invertebrates



Vertebrates



Fish



Birds



Reptile



Mammals



Amphibians

British Science Week 2026

Curious Critters



This year's theme for British Science Week 2026 is **Curiosity: What is your question?**

Children across the school will focus on a different area of curiosity.

Unit 3 are focusing on **Curious Critters**.

The theme of curiosity is to encourage children to ask their own scientific questions and explore ideas through enquiry-based activities. Curiosity drives all scientific discovery – we can all think like a scientist.

Our topic title for British Science Week 2026 is **Curious Critters**. We're going to be thinking about the world around us and all the things that live there.



We're going to be **entomologists**. These are scientists who research and different insects and learn about their habitats and how they live.

Curiosity: What is your question?

Enquiry questions could start with...

I wonder what would happen if...?
Why does... happen?
What might change if...?
How does... work?
What makes... do that?
What do you predict will happen when...?



Key Scientists

Maria Merian was one of the first people to carefully study how insects grow and change. She loved watching caterpillars turn into butterflies.



Dr. Jessica Ware is a modern entomologist who studies dragonflies, damselflies, and cockroaches. She works at the American Museum of Natural History.



Key Vocabulary

Curiosity		Asking and exploring scientific questions. This is part of thinking like a scientist.
Habitats		A habitat is the place where an animal or plant lives. It has everything they need to survive, like food, water, and shelter.
Observations		Observations are things you notice by looking, listening, smelling, or touching carefully.
Entomologist		An entomologist is a scientist who studies insects like ants, bees, and butterflies.
Pollinator		A pollinator is an animal that helps plants make new seeds by moving pollen from one flower to another.
Invertebrate		An invertebrate is an animal that has no backbone
Classify		To classify means to sort or group things based on what they have in common.