

Snug as a Bug

Activity: Create Your Own Bug!

After thinking about what you have seen in your log or leaf litter, think about what adaptations you saw. Adaptations are something an animal has or a behavior that it does that helps it survive. You may have seen how many legs an insect has that lets them crawl through a tunnel in the log, or maybe you noticed a bug with mouth parts made to be able to chew through wood. These are amazing adaptations!

After thinking about what you observed, how fun would it be to create your own bug with its own adaptations?

Create your own bug to survive the winter in a log, or in leaves, or even underground in the soil. What adaptations do they need to survive? Your creation can be as crazy as you want it to be, so be creative. Take some time to draw it in your journal or on a piece of paper. Label the picture with your new creation's special adaptations. Tell someone about your creation and why it looks the way it does and how it survives the cold and snow in Nebraska winters.



If you want to create a bug using craft materials as well as just drawing one, these websites have some good ideas on how to create an insect with paper, glue, pipe cleaners, and other art supplies.

<https://alittlepinchofperfect.com/creative-bug-crafts-with-kids/>

<http://www.paper-and-glue.com/2015/08/invitation-to-create-build-bug.html>