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INSECTS/BUGS

A pathfinder designed for preschool through grade 2 children to help you find materials on insects in the West Springfield Public Library Youth Department.

> Parent/Teacher Materials <

THE MAILBOX,
PERIODICAL

"The Mailbox: Preschool." Going Buggy. June/July, 2000.
p. 4-11.

Ideas for cross curriculum activities on the theme of insects.

PARENT J372.21/TEA

Kostelnik, Marjorie J., et. al., editors. Teaching Young Children Using Themes. Parsippany, New Jersey: Good Year Books, 1991. p. 218-241.

Suggestions for teaching an holistic and integrated unit on insects.

PARENT J372.6/CLA

Clarke, Jacqueline. Creepy Crawlies: Butterflies, Bees, Ladybugs and More!. New York: Scholastic Professional Books, 2001.

Ready-to-go activities, games, literature links, and hands-on reproducibles for an early childhood unit on insects.

> Non-Fiction <

J595.7/DUS

Dussling, Jennifer. Bugs! Bugs! Bugs! New York: DK Publishing, 1998.

A beginning reader which can also be used as a read aloud. Great close-up photographs of insects throughout.

J595.7/MUR

Murawski, Darlyne A. Bug Faces. Washington, DC: National Geographic Society, 2000.

Presents close-up photographs of insect faces and describes some of their unique facial features, including compound eyes and pincher jaws.

J595.7/OPP

Oppenheim, Joanne. Have You Seen Bugs? New York: Scholastic Press, 1997

Describes in verse a variety of bugs and how they look, behave, and improve our lives.

> Poetry <

J811.54/LEW

Lewis, J. Patrick. The Little Buggers. New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 1998.

An assortment of poems featuring insects and spiders.

> Fiction <

EJ/GRE

Greenberg, David T. Bugs!. Boston, MA: Little, Brown & Co., 1997.

Celebrates the disgusting and horrible things you can do with a bunch of bugs.

EJ/LIL

Lillegard, Dee. The Big Bug Ball. New York: Putnam's Sons, 1999.

Enthusiastic insect participants in the Big Bug Ball draw the reluctant sowbug into their celebration.

EJ/MUR

Murphy, Stuart J. The Best Bug Parade. New York: HarperCollins Publishers, 1996.

A variety of different bugs compare their relative sizes while going on parade.

R/EJ/HOR

Horowitz, Ruth. Breakout at the Bug Lab. New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 2001.

When a giant cockroach named Max escapes from their mother's bug laboratory, Leo and his brother receive help from a mysterious stranger who advises them to think like a bug in order to recapture the runaway roach.

> Video <

JVIDEO

595.7/BUG

Bugs Don't Bug Us. Produced by Gina Lamb. Eureka, MT: Bo Peep Productions, 1991.

Explore the tiny world of insects, spiders and other invertebrates with children who will help you enjoy them. See close up how they move and eat. 35 min.

JVIDEO/DRA

Dragonfly's Tale. Produced by J. Williams White. St. Petersburg, FL: Spoken Arts, 1994.

After a poor harvest two children regain the Corn Maidens' blessings for their people with the aid of a cornstalk toy, the dragonfly. 15 min.

> Websites <

The Yuckiest Site on the Internet: Teaching with Bugs. Copyright 2000. Discovery Communications, Inc. Viewed March, 2005.

<http://yucky.kids.discovery.com/teachercenter/pg000065.htm>

Activities and lesson ideas for teaching an early childhood unit on bugs.

Insects, Arachnids and Annelids. A National Biological Information Infrastructure site maintained by the Center for Biological Informatics of the US Geological Survey. Viewed March, 2005. <http://www.nbio.gov/education/insects.html>

Links to various educational sites specific to insects.

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