



COMBINE MATERIALS & RESOURCES

TO CREATE AN IMMERSIVE PLAY SPACE!



PLAY SPACE CARDS

THE VERY BUSY SPIDER

To create this play space, we used Eric Carle's book, *The Very Busy Spider* as our provocation inspiration. To create our very own farm scene we placed some artificial grass as our base and used a variety of CollectA farm animals and fencing and a Papoose Driftwood Shelter.

Our lovely spider web was created using a Giant Wooden Weaving Frame and some wool, this is a fantastic part to get children involved in, exploring patterns in nature! We topped it all off with our pipe cleaner fly and beautifully bright spider!

LEARNING THEMES AND CONNECTIONS

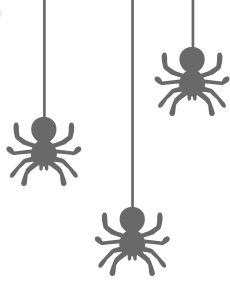
- Entomology
- Maths in Nature
- Insects vs Arachnids
- Nature Exploration
- Farm Life
- Literacy Extension

PROMPTS & QUESTIONS

- * What kind of patterns do we see in nature?
- * How does a spider make a web?
- * How do spiders catch their food?
- * How can we make our own spider web?

EARLY YEARS LEARNING FRAMEWORK CONNECTIONS

- Learning Outcome 4.2: Children develop a range of learning and thinking skills and processes such as problem solving, inquiry, experimentation, hypothesising, researching and investigating
- Learning Outcome 5.2: Children engage with a range of texts and gain meaning from these texts
- Learning Outcome 5.4: Children begin to understand how symbols and pattern systems work



EXTENSION IDEAS

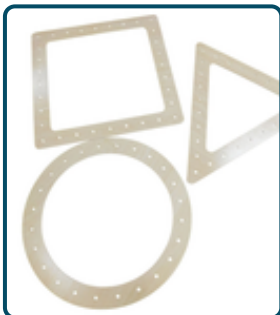
- * Extend your inquiry using additional literacy resources, use non-fiction texts to practice the skill of researching.
- * Use technology to build children's understanding, source educational videos such as:

[Spider](#) * [Animals for Kids](#) * [Episode 10](#)
[\(Smile and Learn on YouTube\)](#)
- * Use pretend play as a tool for children to process the information they're learning and apply it to play.
- * Support children's science inquiry into insects and head out into nature to find some real insects!



RESOURCES

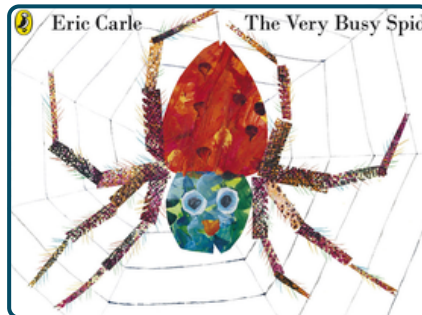
Here you'll find some of the resources we used to create our The Very Busy Spider play space.



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