

Bugs are an important part of the world we live in! Some may not be as cute as birds and mammals, but we need them just as much! Insects play a role in our ecosystem by pollinating our crops. One out of every three bites of food we eat exists because of pollinators! Insects help organic matter to decompose and are food for many, many, animals. Go outside and try to find a bug to study. Carefully capture it and put it into the **collection container**. Use the **magnifying glass** to examine every part thoroughly. Can you identify its parts? Release it back where you found it. Search for other insects in your yard to observe and create a **journal** page. What are they doing? Are they the same species or different? Do you think you will find different insects at different times of day?

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