#### National Geographic Kids Primary Resources

# Make a bug hotel primary resource

This primary resource gives children an opportunity to make a bug hotel for their garden -- a great way to encourage pupils to get creative and explore the world around them.

Pupils will be challenged to follow instructions to make an insect home from an empty plastic bottle, foam sheets, old tights, grass, leaves and sticks in our National Geographic Kids’ primary resource sheet. They will also learn about three species in the UK and Ireland whose numbers are in decline: the stag beetle, dormouse and hedgehog.

The teaching resource can be used as a printed handout for instruction in class time, or for display on the interactive whiteboard.

**Activity:**

Ask pupils to bring in an empty plastic bottle to class and make their own bug hotel for their garden. Get them to check it each day, and identify and record the different insects they see for class discussion. Alternatively, divide the class into four or five groups and have each group make a bug hotel. The children could then place their insect homes at different places in the school grounds, and compare the different bugs they find inside each day.