

**The Very   
Busy   
Spider**

**Expressive Arts and Design**

Song time -Incy Wincy Spider <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YAJynCIsNUg>

Make some Incy Wincy Spider props (see attached instructions)

Create some spider thumbprints (see attached photo)

Create a bottle top spider, or make a spider family (see attached instructions)

Weave a paper plate spider wed (see attached instructions)

Create a sparkly web using glitter and glue <http://www.paper-and-glue.com/2014/10/sparkly-spiderwebs.html>

**Communication and Language**

The Very Busy Spider is written by the same author as the Tiny Seed and the Very Hungry Caterpillar, Eric Carle. Do you notice anything similar about the books?

Which words can you think of to describe spiders?

Facetime your family or friends and tell them something you have learnt about spiders.

Look at the different types of spiders. They are found all over the world. Research with a grown up where you would find one of them.

**Understanding the World**

Watch <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zg7w2hv>  
Talk about how spiders catch their prey.

Look at the attached power point and talk about the life cycle of a spider and compare it to that of a butterfly and ladybird.

Look at the attached power point and learn some spider facts.

Challenge - can you build a web for a spider? See attached STEM activity.

How many legs does a spider have? Is it an insect? Why not? What family does it belong to? Complete the legs sorting activity.

Enjoy these ICT activities <http://resources.hwb.wales.gov.uk/VTC/incy_wincy/eng/Introduction/default.htm>  
Look for spiders or their exoskeletons in the garden – if you are brave enough!

**Maths**

Have a look at the White Rose maths pack <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/early-years/> (click on Summer Term Week 4 – there’s a set of activities for each day)

Look at some pictures of spiders. What do you notice about their legs? Is there a pattern?

Look at the attached pages  
Try the attached addition activity.

Read Spinderella or watch it here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qjgp3YiaKJw>  
and practice your numbers to 20 and your number bonds to 10.

**Phonics**

Use phonics pack to recap all previously learnt sounds.  
Look at the digraph ‘er’ (as in the word her, jumper a tricky one as it sounds different in each)  
Practice writing the er sound – try with your finger in chocolate spread, or making the letters outside with pebbles.   
Watch Mr Thorne <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WaxZN4BZjgc>

Complete the attached phonics work on the er sound.  
Play the ure/er board game  
Write the er words to match the pcitures.  
  
Play <https://new.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/3/picnic-on-pluto> and select Phase 3 and the er sound.

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**Literacy**

Read “The Very Busy Spider” or watch it here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TfL0g-XRxnA>  
Why was the spider so busy? Have you ever seen a spider? What was it like? How did it make you feel?

Look at the attached literacy pages  
  
Eric Carle uses lots of descriptive language for the animals in his story. Can you think of some words to describe a spider and use them to write tour own acrostic poem? Eg S-scary, P – prickly etc  
Read the minibeast description clues and match them to the pictures.   
Can you think of another minibeast and write your own clue?

**Physical Development**

Try Joe Wicks PE everyday on Youtube at 9am or Jumpstart Jonny <https://www.jumpstartjonny.co.uk/>.

Create a giant spider web maze with string or crepe paper. Can you get your way through it? (See photo)

Ply spiders and flies. Someone is the spider and has to catch the flies. Once everyone is caught, swap over and start again.

Try some of Spiderman’s poses in Cosmic Kids Yoga <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lx08FrWBp0g>

**Personal, Emotional & Social Development**

The spider in this story was very busy. Have you ever been busy before? What did you do? Make a list of all the things you do in one day.

Read Aaaarrgghh Spider or watch it here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5df388jmToo> Why did the family not like the spiders? How do you feel about spiders? How do spiders feel about humans?

Facetime your family and friends and find out how they feel about spiders.