



Ladybugs and Insects Theme for Preschool

This is a 24 page unit that includes enough activities for 2 week's worth of lessons. If you plan to use the unit for one week only, you will have many activities left for a "new" unit the following year. This theme includes over 30 math, science, and literacy activities. It also includes numerous songs, poems, art activities, gross motor ideas, cooking activities, dramatic play and book suggestions. In addition, it comes with detailed instructions for all games, projects and activities, 30 PDF files to download and print, internet resources/music links, and pictures to help prepare the activities.

Below is a preview of the activities and ideas that are included with this theme.

For the entire theme, visit us at: [The Preschool Toolbox Blog](#).

INTRODUCTIONS

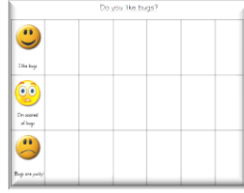
Large group discussion questions and ideas

Insects All Around song

Color match, search and find activity

What kinds of insects are there?

Do you like Bugs? graphing activity (PDF)



BOOK SUGGESTIONS

Over 50 of our favorite titles related to Bugs and Insects

SONGS/POEMS/FINGERPLAYS

Five Little Ladybugs (PowerPoint)

Five Little Ladybugs in a tree (PowerPoint)

Little Red Bug (PowerPoint)



I'm a Little Ladybug


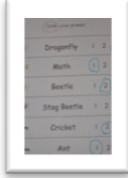




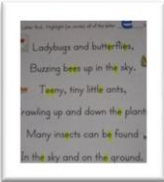
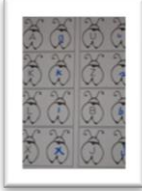

Here is the beehive

Two big beehives

Insects all Around

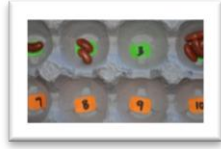
LITERACY ACTIVITIES

<p>Ladybug Letter Match Ladybug Letter Match Ladybugs.pdf</p>	<p>Color Ladybugs & Color Word Match Colored Ladybugs and Color Word Match.pdf</p>
	
<p>Insect Syllables Word Cards Insect Syllable Cards.pdf</p>	<p>How many syllables? Circle or Write Syllables.pdf</p>

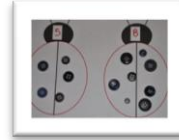
	
<p align="center">INSECT letter sorting Letters in the word Insect.pdf</p>	<p align="center">Insect Picture Bingo Insect Picture Bingo.pdf</p>
	
<p align="center">Bugs in the Grass (Letter Version) Bugs in the Grass.pdf</p>	<p align="center">My Insect (Following Directions) Drawing Insects.pdf</p>
	
<p align="center">Highlight the Letter Highlight the letters.pdf</p>	<p align="center">Lower Case Letter Writing Lower case letter writing bugs.pdf</p>
	
<p align="center">A Rainbow of Bugs A rainbow of bugs.pptx</p>	
	

MATH ACTIVITIES

<p align="center">Dried Bean Ladybugs</p>	<p align="center">Ladybug Button Spots Ladybug Button Spots.pdf</p>
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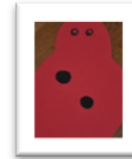
Ladybug Counting Books
[Ladybug Counting Book.pdf](#)



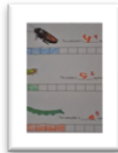
Lucy the Ladybug's Spots
[Lady Bug Math Mats.pdf](#)



Measuring Insects
[Measuring Insects.pdf](#)



Ants on Parade



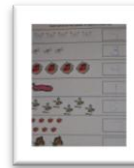
Different Size Insects
[Large and Small.pdf](#)



How many insects?
[How many insects.pdf](#)



Going Buggy
[Going Buggy.pdf](#)



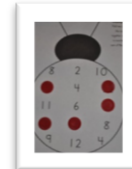
Ladybugs with MORE spots
[Ladybug with MORE spots.pdf](#)



Bugs in the Grass (Number Version)
[Bugs in the Grass.pdf](#)





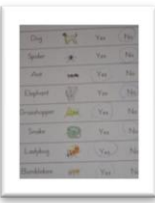





Ladybug Roll and Cover
[Ladybug Roll and Cover.pdf](#)



Counting Numbers Ladybugs



SCIENCE ACTIVITIES

<p align="center">Sorting Daytime/Nighttime Insects Day or Night Insects.pdf</p>	<p align="center">Am I an Insect? Activity #1 Is it an insect.pdf</p>
	
<p align="center">Am I an Insect? Activity #2 Am I an Insect.pdf</p>	<p align="center">Parts of an Insect Body</p>
	
<p align="center">Sensory Table Idea</p>	<p align="center">What lives here?</p>
	
<p align="center">"Catching" bugs</p>	<p align="center">Ant Farm</p>
	

ART ACTIVITIES

Lady Bug Paper Plates	Bug Prints
	
Ladybugs in the grass	Egg carton insects
	
Real Walking STICKS	Painted Fireflies
	
The Very Clumsy Click Beetle	Pretty Dragonflies
	
Shape Bees	Light-up Lightning Bugs Light-up Lightning Bugs.pdf
	
Ladybug Paperweights	Grouchy Ladybugs Grouchy Ladybug.pdf
	

DRAMATIC PLAY

Set up a Bug Science Lab

Insect Puppets [\(PDF\)](#)

Ant Picnic

LARGE MOTOR

Counting to six

Bugs in a rug

OTHER RESOURCES AND IDEAS

This section includes activities that do not necessarily fit into one of the categories above, but we find useful for the theme.