

Science

What habitats are around our school?

Year 2

Key Vocabulary

Key Knowledge and facts

WORD	DEFINITION
consumer	An animal that gets its food from another organism (plant or animal).
food chain	A food chain shows how each living thing gets its food.
habitat	Habitats are places where animals and plants live.
invertebrate	An animal with no backbone
Life cycle	The changes living things go through to become an adult.
micro-habitat	A very small part of a habitat.
minibeast	A small invertebrate animal like a spider or an insect.
organism	An organism is another name for a living thing.
producer	Plants that make their own food.

- ❖ There are many habitats – forests, deserts, grasslands, mountains and oceans.
- ❖ A habitat must provide everything that an organism needs to survive – food, water and shelter.
- ❖ Many mini beasts - small creatures like insects, worms or spiders - live in many microhabitats.
- ❖ Microhabitats could be tree holes, logs, under rocks and leaf litter.
- ❖ In a food chain the plant is always the producer.
- ❖ Some animals eat plants – they are herbivores
- ❖ Some animals eat other animals – they are carnivores
- ❖ Some animals eat both plants and animals – they are omnivores.

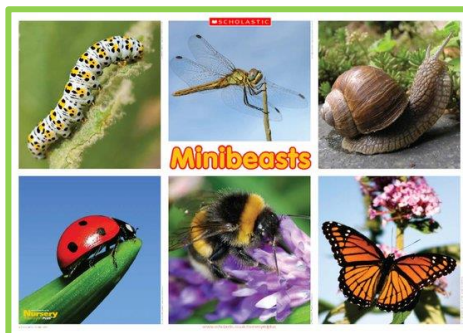
Habitats



Micro-habitat

Living and Non-Living

What is a food chain?



Dead or Alive		
living		All <b>living things</b> breathe, eat, grow, move, reproduce and have senses.
dead		Something that was once a living thing.
non-living		Something that has never been alive.

The term food chain describes the order in which the organisms or living things depend on each other for food,

