

River Wildlife

Project Kingfisher



EYFS – Habitats

What living things can be found at the river?

There are a lot of creatures that like to live in and around rivers. In a city, there isn't always space for wildlife but a river can provide that space. This session offers a chance to explore the river environment to discover living things can be found here. What can be found in and around the river that can't be found at home or at school? This is the chance for children to get to know this unique habitat.

Before the session: Please split the class into 6 groups to facilitate activities.

Session Objectives:

- To get to know the river habitat and learn about the animals that live there
- To value the river environment



Curriculum Links

ELG 14 The world: children know about similarities and differences in relation to places and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur, and talk about changes.



Session Summary	
Introduction	Health and Safety briefing and introduction to the river
Wildlife walk	Children will explore the riverside habitat and hunt for living creatures
River dipping	Children will discover what tiny creatures live in the river
Creature feature	Children will take a closer look at the creatures found in the water
Create a habitat	Children will use natural materials to make a home for riverside animals
Summing up	A review of what was learned in the session