



Classifying, Chains and Connections: Years 6-7

Supporting Links and Resources

Resource / Hyperlink	Description
CSIRO Backyard Bug Biodiversity	Backyard Bug Diversity will assist students to identify insects in their backyard or neighbourhood
Bugwise Invertebrate Guide	This site has been designed to assist people who need to identify land invertebrates. It provides illustrations with notes on behaviour and common misidentifications for each invertebrate group.
Bugs – Museum Victoria	This site brings you up close to the beautiful, the bizarre and the scary. It has information of everything from bug bodies to the homes bugs build.
Discover Life – insect orders identification	Discover Life provide free on-line tools to identify species. Keys are used to help identify insects to order. Each order has detailed information, photos and links.
Brisbane Insects and Spiders	A collection of insect information and photos from the Brisbane area.
Queensland Museum Insect Information	Information about identifying, collecting, preserving and keeping live insects; includes information about insect lifecycles. The insect identifier has pictures and easy to read descriptions of common insects.
CSIRO – Insect facts	The main aim of this site is to provide an understanding of the different types of invertebrates, their classification and anatomy. The site includes an overview of the biology, ecology and life cycle of all 26 orders of true insects found in Australia.
Life Unseen	This website has over 5000 images by photographer Nick Monaghan which covers approx. 2000 species of insects, spiders and other invertebrates. General information regarding lifecycle, reproduction and feeding also accompanies the photographs.
Western Australian Museum Insect Collection	The site contains fact sheets, A behind-the-scenes look at the Museums insect collection as well as photo galleries. A 52 min video by the Curator of Insects Dr Terry Houston on 'Tales of Horny Beetles, Truffles and Gigantic Eggs'
Museum Victoria – Insect and spider activities for Yr 7 - 10	Suggested activities to help prepare students for field work or a museum visit on insects and spiders. The activities provide students with an understanding of some of the themes developed in the Bugs Alive! Exhibition.
Insect Dichotomous Key	A dichotomous key with common orders. Certain uncommon orders are not included. There are 6 keys in all and can be printed out in a full sheet format, placed in plastic sheet protectors and carried into the field.
Insect identification for the casual observer	Dichotomous keys and insect taxonomic orders and insect anatomy basics although examples and fact sheets are based upon North American specimens.
Museum Victoria Bug Catcher Game	A variety of online activities designed for primary school aged children to help them identify different types of invertebrates.
Bugs Ed – Fact Sheets and Activities	Insect Crosswords, colour-ins and find-a-words, how to make your own bug box and more.