

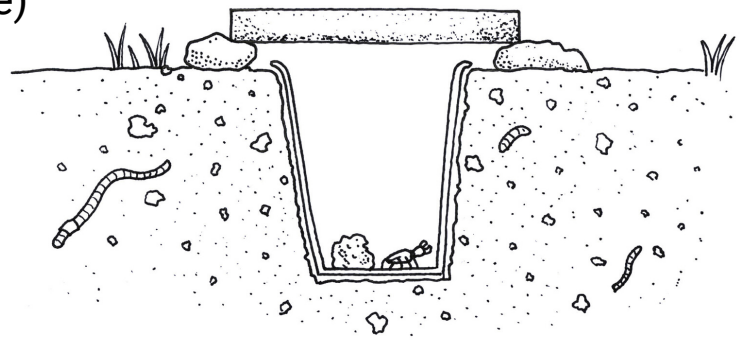
# Pitfall Trap

**Pitfall traps help you to take a look and meet the sort of Minibeasts living in your garden!**

## How to Make a Pitfall Trap

### You will need:

- A plastic cup or glass jar (you could also cut the top off a plastic water bottle)
- A couple of flat rocks
- Something to dig with (i.e. trowel, spoon)
- Some dirt and leaves
- Something to cover the trap
- Magnifying glass



### Instructions:

1. Dig a small hole in your garden.
2. Place the cup in the hole, with a couple of leaves or some dirt inside for the bugs.
3. Place the rocks around the cup, and put your cover over the top - this will keep the trap dry and also make it nice and dark, which a lot of minibeasts like.
4. Wait for at least 24 - 48 hours
5. Have a look and see if you've found anything from your garden in your pitfall trap!
6. Use the magnifying glass to study what you have found, try and identify what kind of minibeasts you have found!
7. Release them back into the garden, and repeat to see what else is out there!