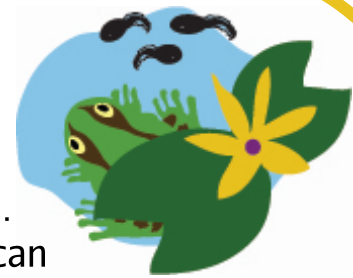


# POND DIPPING



You can use nets to catch small creatures in a pond. When you empty your net into a tray of water, you can find all sorts of bugs.

## Materials:

- Pond dipping nets
- Trays with a small amount of pond water in
- Bug pots
- Spoons for handling any creatures you find



## What to do:

### Step 1: Sweep in the water

Gently move your net in the water in a figure of eight.

**Be careful!** Watch out for the handle of your net, make sure you don't hit anyone else with it whilst you're dipping.



### Step 2: Empty your net

Turn your net inside out over the tray with water in. You may need to wash it in the water a little bit to get all the creatures you've caught into the tray, swimming around.

### Step 3: Check who you've caught!

What have you found in the pond? There could be all sorts of bugs, tadpoles or baby newts. Draw them and use a guide to identify them.



### Step 4: Send the bugs back home.

Gently empty the tray of water back into the pond.



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