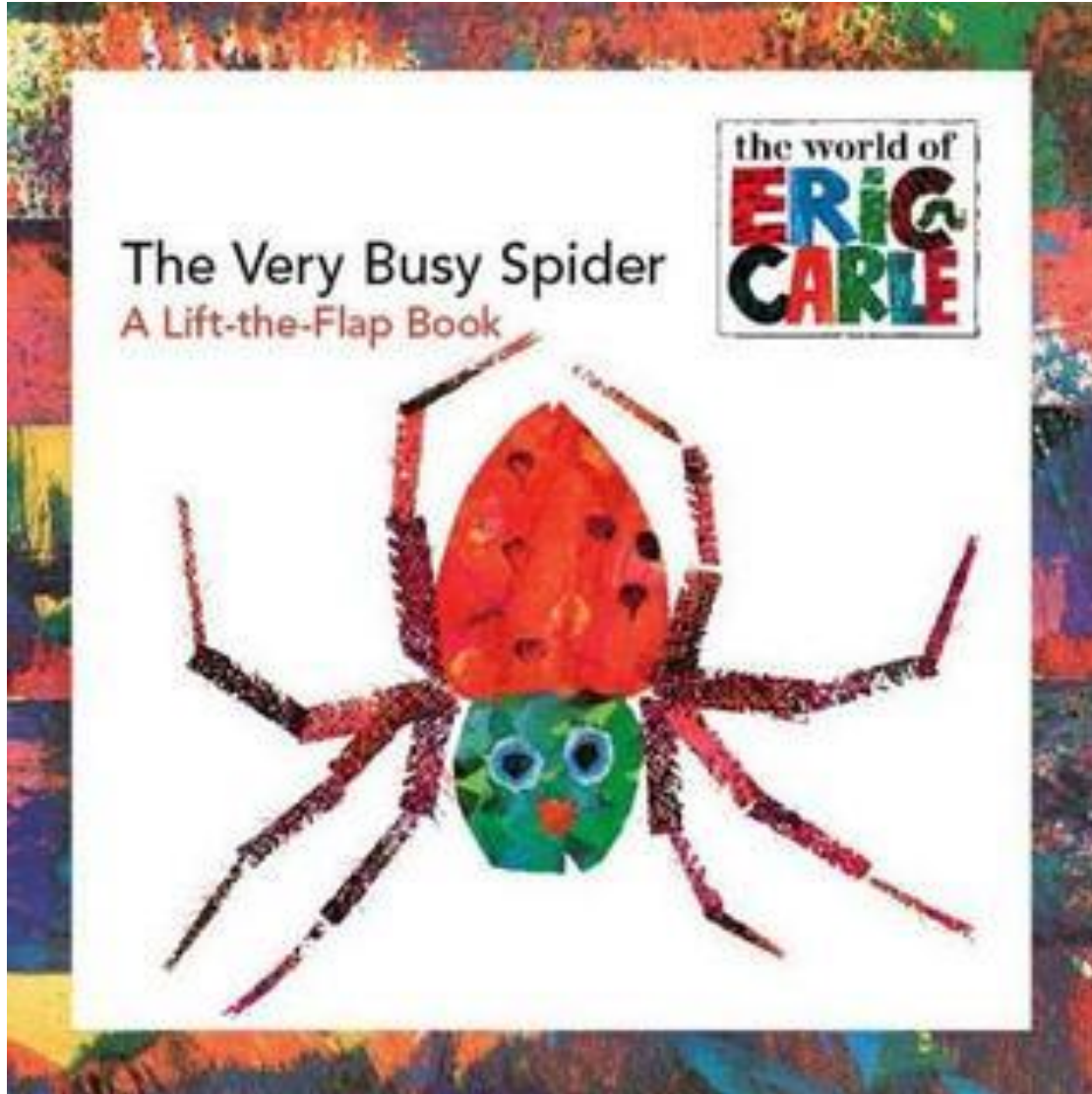


W/C 11/05/20 – The Very Busy Spider – Eric Carle

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TfL0g-XRxnA>



New Challenges!

Here we go with a new set of challenges and ideas for things you can try at home.

This week is all about the very busy spider, which is another brilliant book by Eric Carle.

Supporting Communication and Language

Supporting Expressive Arts and Design

Listen to the story and have a chat about it with your adult.

Who was your favourite character in the story?

Do you think the spider was rude to the animals?

Why didn't he just stop and play with them?

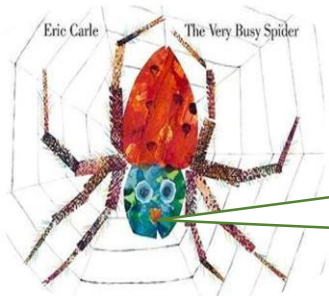
Who is the busiest person in your family?

This is the third Eric Carle book we have looked at. Do you like his stories?

Why do you think Eric Carle likes writing about bugs so much?

If you were going to write a story about a mini-beast which one would you choose and why?

Maybe you could create some puppets and retell this story?



Monday!
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today!

Supporting Literacy

Supporting Expressive Arts and Design

I want you to add a new page to the book. Choose a new animal for the spider to meet and write a new part of the story.

For example, he might meet a squirrel.

Here is my new page:



“Squeak, squeak!” said the squirrel, “Do you want to climb a tree with me?”

The spider didn't answer. She was too busy spinning her web.

I look forward to seeing some of your amazing writing. Perhaps you could illustrate your part of the book too with an amazing drawing of the spider meeting your new animal.

Supporting Understanding of the World

Supporting Literacy

Did you know that a spider is not an insect? Can you find out about spiders and what group of animals they belong to?

Can you write a factsheet all about spiders?

You might want to find out some of the following:

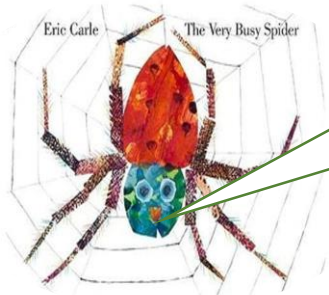
How many legs do they have?

What is their web made out of?

Why do they spin webs?

What do they eat?

Do they lay eggs?

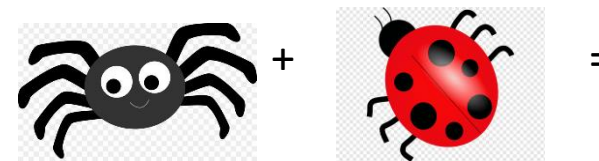
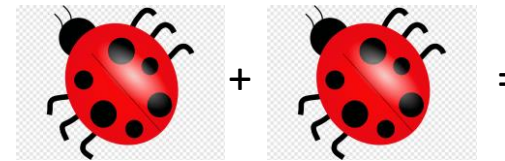


Tuesday!
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Supporting Mathematical Understanding

Mini-beast maths!

Can you work out how many legs there are?



Can you make up your own mini-beast maths?

Supporting Personal and Social Development

It is nice to be busy but sometimes it is important to slow down and have a rest and take some time to think.

Close your eyes and see if you can spend a few minutes thinking about this question. Perhaps you can write about your answer or draw a picture of it.

What are the most important things in your life?



Wednesday!
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Supporting Physical Development

Here is a spider web competition! This involves a lot of skill and a steady hand. You must take your time to complete this challenge and when you are finished you can measure the finished result or take a photo of it.

Using one piece of A4 paper only and a pair of scissors can you cut your paper in one continuous strip to make the longest piece of spider web thread?



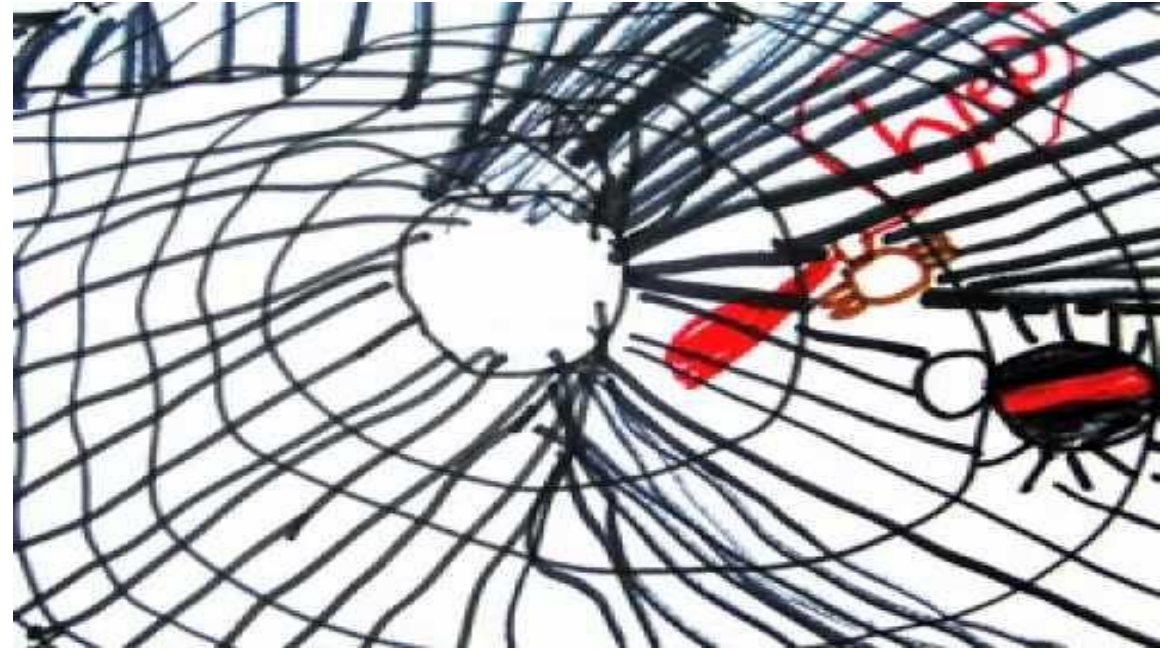
Supporting Mathematical Understanding

How many ways can you make 8? You could add two numbers together to make 8, you could subtract something from a bigger number to make 8. You could double a number to make 8 and you could halve a number to make 8!



Thursday!
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Supporting Expressive Arts and Design



Have fun learning the words to the song, 'Please Don't Squish Me!' It is available on the website.

Perhaps you could record yourself singing and making up some actions to the song. Can you draw a mini-beast picture, just like the ones in the video?

Supporting Understanding of the World

Supporting Literacy



This is a crab spider found in the Amazon Rainforest. Doesn't it look amazing!!!!

There are loads of different species of spiders. Choose a country somewhere in the world and find out what spiders they have there. Draw and write about your spider.

Supporting Physical Development



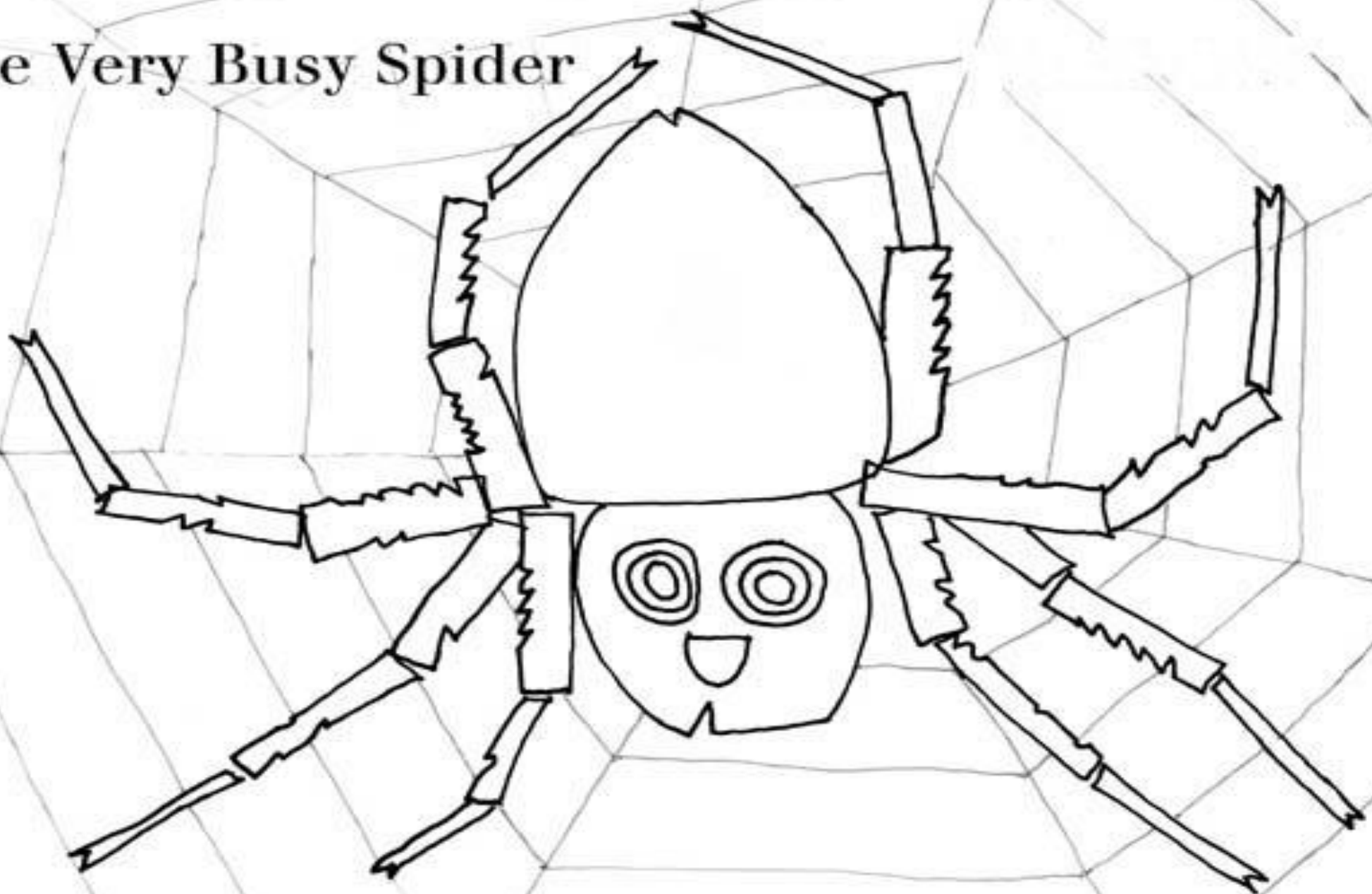
Want to create some spider web fun in your house?

Be careful to creep through without waking the spider!!

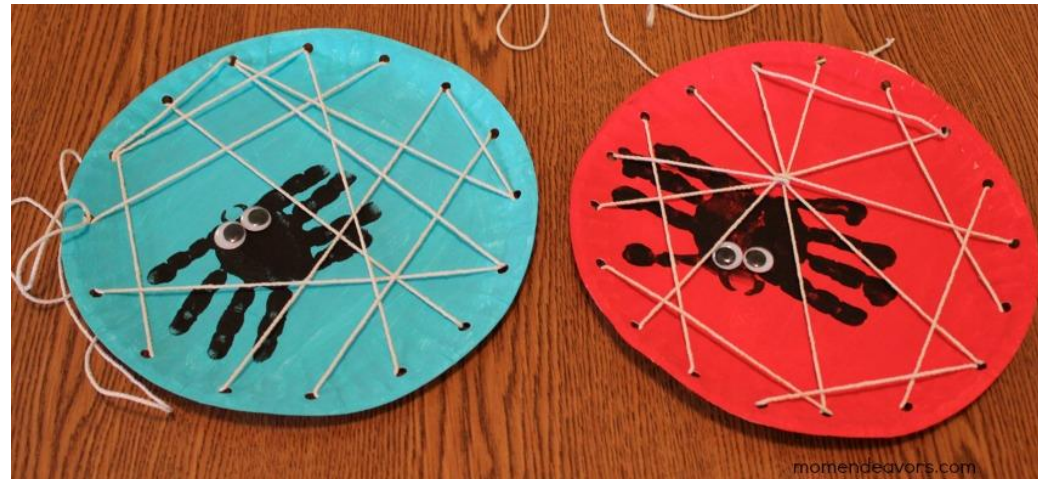
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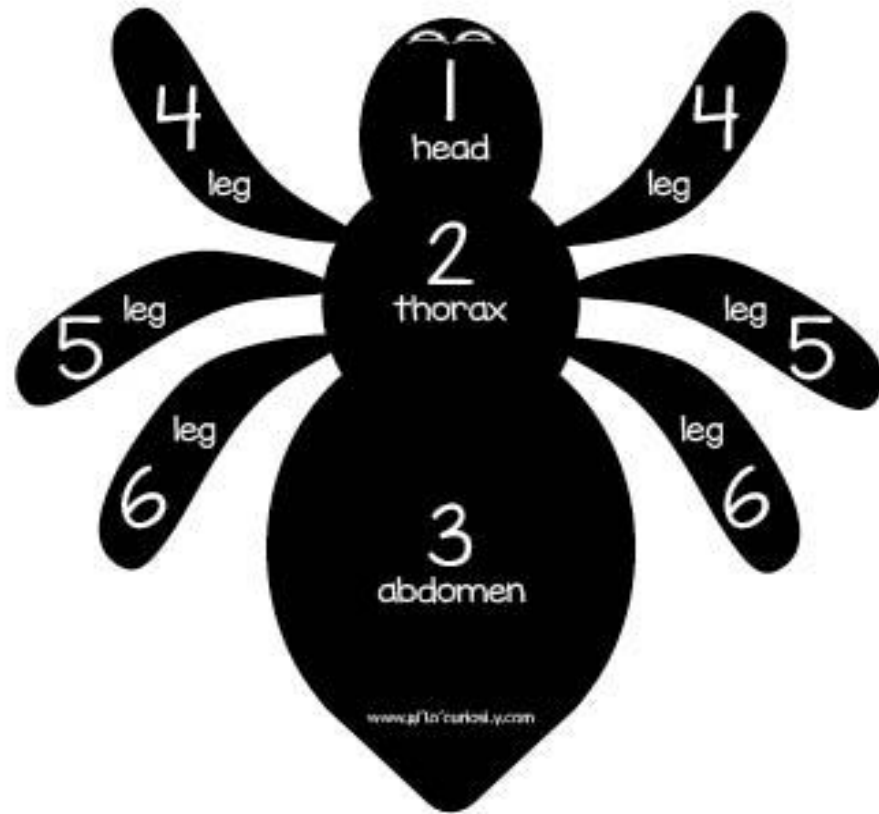


The Very Busy Spider



Some other ideas of things to make!





Parts of an Insect Game

Take turns to roll the dice and collect the parts of the insect. Cover the parts with a counter. The first one to cover all the parts is the winner!