

Micro journey

Mark out your own miniature route from an ant's point of view.

Equipment

String, or wool a few metres long

Masking tape and a pen to create small flags for landmarks

A varied natural landscape such as beneath a hedgerow or a patch of longer grass

A camera or tablet and mirrors/magnifying glasses (optional)

Activity

1. Take a length of string.
2. Lay the string out across a small stretch of varied terrain.
3. Get down low to the ground and examine the 'route' that the string takes from an ant's point of view.
4. Interesting points can be marked with short twigs and masking tape labels.
5. Mirrors or magnifying glasses can give a different perspective and cameras or tablets used to take pictures.

