One-Meter Hike

There are many creatures right under your feet – an entire world in the grass and the garden. In this activity, you will take a one-meter hike. For you this may not seem very long, but imagine you are a small creature like an ant. This would be a very long and exciting adventure.

What you do:

1. Find a patch of grass or garden.
2. Place your meter stick on the ground. This is the length of your hike.
3. Pretend you are a very small creature, such as an ant. Place your eyes very close to the ground and begin your hike. If you have a magnifying glass, use it to observe closely during your hike.
4. Draw what your world would look like if you were the size of an ant.
5. Draw any insects you see. Draw interesting objects, such as rocks or shells or bird poo. Draw any large animals that may cross your path, such as birds or worms.

What you need (per group)

- Meter stick
- Magnifying glass (optional)
- Patch of grassy area or garden area
- Paper
- Pencil