

INSECTS AT LARGE

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Movie Discussion

Begin this activity by watching the movie "Men in Black" and follow with the discussion activity.

Insect Observations

Have students collect insects for observation and identification. Look for key physical traits.

Create your own Alien Adversary to the MIB

Using what students learned from the movie discussion and insect observations, have them create an alien adversary to the MIB. Students can complete the handout by drawing their insect, and writing the official wanted or captured report for the Men in Black.



Welcome agent 896. You have just completed your MIB introductory training video and ready to begin your career with us. I am sure you are eager to get to work so we have three cases assigned to you which can be found on the left hand side of this page. Stay stay safe and welcome aboard.



MIB Movie Discussion

Targeted Audience: Grade 8-10

Materials:

- MIB Movie
- Paper
- Pencil
- Insect observation jars
- Butterfly nets
- Writing materials
- Coloring Materials

Methods:

- Watch the MIB movie
- Answer the discussion questions prompted on this page

Men in Black Movie Discussion Questions

There were many aliens introduced in the movie, name some that may have been based off insects and describe how they are similar.

What real insect does Edgar the Bug most closely resemble?

What might Edgar the Bug's home world look like?

Were the real insects in this movie portrayed in their accurate environments?

How does agent J and agent K treat the aliens? Do they treat all aliens the encounter the same?



Insect Observations

Physical Description of Insect Observed

Order:

Color:

Height/Length:

Antennae:

Eyes:

Mouthparts:

Legs:

Wings:

Exoskeleton:

Habitat:

Lifecycle:

Diet:

Other:



Draw insect observed top view



Draw insect observed side view

Name Your Insect Alien

Edgar the Bug

Home Planet: Hiveworld

Occupation: Interstellar
Terrorist

Objective: Steal the Arquillian
Galaxy for Earth's Destruction

Resembles: Cockroach

Status: Deceased

Alien Adversary Profile

Color: Red/Brown

Height/Length: 12'

Antennae: Filiform

Eyes: Compound

Mouthparts: Biting/
Chewing Razor Sharp Teeth

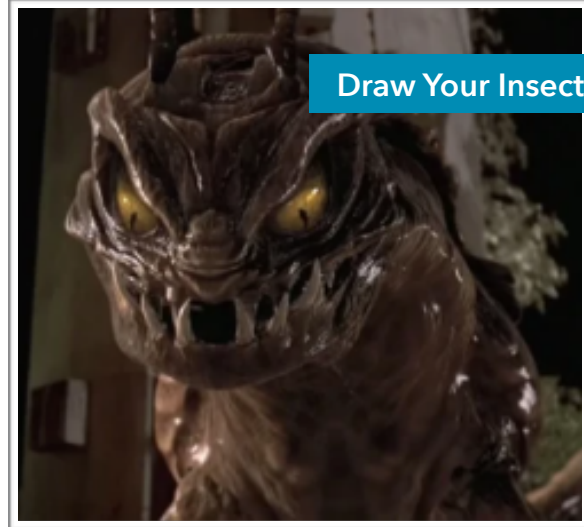
Legs: Cursorial x 4
Jumping x2

Wings: not present

Exoskeleton: Present

Habitat: Lives inside Edgar the
human's skin

Other: vocal alteration
extreme flexibility
relates to cockroaches



Draw Your Insect Alien

Write the MIB Wanted or Captured Report

Interstellar Cockroach Captured by MIB

Edgar the bug resembled a cockroach from the order Blattodea. He shared many traits with this insect such as physical characteristics like coloration, filiform antennae, and he is most active in the dark. He was wanted by the MIB for being an interstellar terrorist and attempting to steal the Arquillian Galaxy. His abilities included super-strength, wall-climbing, jumping, and vocal alteration. He was seen consuming large amounts of sugar water. Edgar expresses advanced intellect and flexibility as he was able to fit his 12' body into a 6' Edgar suit. He took great offense to the killing of other bugs, especially cockroaches.

Edgar was blown up MIB Agent K and is no longer considered a threat to the MIB. The Arquillian Galaxy has been recovered and safely stored by the MIB Agents.

Use this page as a guide for the following blank handouts. Have students Name their Insect Aliens, Observe Real Insects, Draw their Alien, and Write a Wanted or Captured Report similar to this page.

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Color:

Height/Length:

Antennae:

Eyes:

Mouthparts:

Legs:

Wings:

Exoskeleton:

Habitat:

Lifecycle:

Diet:

Other:

Draw the TOP VIEW of the observed insect



Draw the SIDE VIEW of the observed insect



Draw your Alien Adversary



Home Planet: _____

Occupation: _____

Objective: _____

Resembles: _____

Status: _____

Alien Adversary Profile

Color: _____

Height/Length: _____

Antennae: _____

Eyes: _____

Mouthparts: _____

Legs: _____

Wings: _____

Exoskeleton: _____

Habitat: _____

Other: _____

Written Capture/Wanted Report

