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Adult:

‘child2’. Cool. What's your favourite hobby, ‘child1’? What do you like to do in your spare time?

‘child1’:

I quite like playing in the garden on my trampoline.

Adult:

On your trampoline?

‘child1’:

Yeah. And recently, on Sunday, because it was my brother's birthday, we got some garden games, which we could play. So I sometimes ask my dad if we can play with those.

Adult:

Oh, nice.

‘child1’:

So yeah.

Adult:

Nice.

‘child2’:

I like to draw, because when I'm older I really want to be like my sister, because she's really good at art.

Adult:

Oh, so you really like drawing?

‘child2’:

Yeah.

Adult:

Cool. Do you remember the minibeast hunt when I came to your school two weeks ago?

‘child1’:

Yeah.

Adult:

Yeah. What did you think of it?

‘child1’:

It was really fun.

Adult:

You really liked it?

‘child1’:

Yeah.

Adult:

You liked it too? Cool. What do you remember about it?

‘child1’:

I remember just running around and just having loads of fun, trying to find loads of minibeasts.

Adult:

Oh, so you like looking for minibeasts?

‘child1’:

Yeah.

‘child2’:

I remember just grabbing the spoon and just putting woodlice inside this tiny pot or whatever.

Adult:

Oh, in the pooter?

‘child2’:

Yeah, yeah. And it was fun.

Adult:

So what did you think of the pooter, the thing for sucking?

‘child1’:

It was really fun.

Adult:

You really like that.

‘child1’:

Even though I didn't have a go, my friends did, and it looked really fun.

Adult:

Did you not have a go because you didn't have time or you thought it was a bit yucky?

‘child1’:

I didn't think we had any time left, but yeah.

Adult:

Oh, I'll have to come again then you'll have time to use it.

‘child1’:

Yeah.

Adult:

Brilliant. And can you remember any of the minibeasts that we found?

‘child1’:

Yeah, our little group found some woodlice, a worm I think, a slug and a couple of things in the sucking thing, but I can't remember anything else.

Adult:

That's okay.

‘child1’:

I think there was some other things. I just can't remember.

Adult:

Can you remember any others that you haven't mentioned?

‘child2’:

My group got a snail, I think, and we got a lot of woodlice from that giant log.

‘child1’:

Oh yeah, that was full.

‘child2’:

And they were hiding in tiny little cracks.

‘child1’:

Yeah.

Adult:

And what did you think of the different minibeasts we found?

‘child1’:

Well, some of them were more interesting than others.

Adult:

More interesting than others. Which ones did you find more interesting?

‘child1’:

I'm not quite sure. I just sort of found them all very interesting, and I really enjoyed looking really close at them to study what they looked like, so yeah.

Adult:

Cool. And were there any that you thought were yucky or scary?

‘child1’:

Not really.

Adult:

No. So you found them all quite interesting. How about you?

‘child2’:

I don't find anything scary.

Adult:

You don't find anything scary?

‘child2’:

It's just finding bugs and stuff.

Adult:

And what did you find fun? What was it that you liked about looking for bugs?

‘child2’:

I'm not quite sure. I just liked everything about it.

Adult:

You just liked everything about it. Cool. And did you feel differently about minibeasts after we did the hunt, or did you feel the same?

‘child1’:

I sort of felt more confident about them because-

Adult:

More confident.

‘child1’:

Before, I felt a little bit like, well, I didn't really want to go near them before I went near them. But then when we did the minibeast hunting, I felt like, okay, they're not scary or anything, they're just fun.

Adult:

What do you think made them feel less scary?

‘child1’:

I think just maybe looking at them and maybe touching them a little bit to... Yeah.

Adult:

What did you think, ‘child2’? Did you feel any differently or feel the same?

‘child2’:

I feel the same.

Adult:

Felt the same. That's okay. [inaudible 00:04:07] Cool. And have you seen any minibeasts since we did the hunt, just out and about?

‘child1’:

Yeah. I've seen quite a lot of ants on my way to school because we usually go down the chicken run and when we go past there's a little hole and there's always loads of ants coming out of it. So yeah, we see loads of ants.

Adult:

And have you seen those in previous years? Is that the first time you've noticed them or do you see them kind of all the time?

‘child1’:

I think we see them probably twice a day maybe, on the way to school and on the way back.

Adult:

So you like looking at them kind of every time you pass?

‘child1’:

Yeah.

Adult:

At that point in your walk?

‘child1’:

Yeah, I always try and avoid them to not step on them and stuff.

Adult:

And have they got any flying ants at the moment?

‘child1’:

Maybe I'm not quite sure. But-

Adult:

Because it's that time of year where they start having flying...

‘child2’:

Have you seen them today?

‘child1’:

Yeah, I saw a lot of them on my way to school today.

Adult:

Ours have had a couple of flying ants so far, but it's kind of, in a few days is about when they start producing lots of flying ants. So are there any other mini beasts that you see on your walk to school?

‘child1’:

Sometimes we see some slow worms in our garden.

Adult:

Oh wow, cool. Yeah. The last children were saying they saw slow worms in their garden.

‘child1’:

Yeah.

Adult:

Wow. That sounds cool. How about you, ‘child2’?

‘child2’:

I see slug sometimes or something. I don't know, whenever I'm going to school sometimes, but yeah. It's really funny whenever I see them, because my mom always, we're in the rush to school and my mom sees a slug or something, and then she said, "be careful, there's a slug" and then I nearly stepped on [inaudible 00:05:53]

‘child1’:

Recently I've been seeing quite a lot of snails.

Adult:

Quite a lot of snails, with it being so rainy lately, maybe?

‘child1’:

Yeah, maybe. Not like loads and loads like there's in winter,

Adult:

But kind of seeing more, because it was really dry, wasn't it?

‘child1’:

Yeah.

Adult:

And then it got a lot wetter. And do you ever actively go looking for minibeasts, or do you ever go and hunt for them in the garden?

‘child1’:

Not too much, I don't, no.

Adult:

No, it's not something you'd do. What about other things in nature? Would you ever pick up leaves or sticks or...

‘child1’:

Yeah, I would think that.

‘child2’:

Nature is my thing. I love nature.

Adult:

You love nature?

‘child1’:

I love studying it, and so does my mom.

Adult:

Oh, nice. So your mom likes looking at nature as well?

‘child2’:

Her mom likes drawing.

‘child1’:

Like, nature-y things.

Adult:

Nature-y things. So she likes nature. So what does she think of creepy crawlies? Is she scared of them or does she think they're interesting?

‘child1’:

I'm not quite sure.

Adult:

You're not sure?

‘child1’:

I think she-

‘child2’:

Maybe you should ask her.

‘child1’:

Yeah, I'll ask her. I think she finds them quite interesting.

Adult:

Yeah. What about your dad? What do you reckon he thinks of them? Would he freak out if he saw a spider or would he...

‘child1’:

He always picks loads of spiders.

Adult:

Picks them up, so he doesn't find them scary.

‘child2’:

I don't, spiders are scary for me.

Adult:

You don't like them? What do you reckon your parents think of creepy crawlies?

‘child2’:

They just don't really care about them.

Adult:

So they're not really scared of them. They wouldn't kind of go, "oh my god" if they saw a spider.

‘child2’:

I remember there was a giant spider in the lounge and it was dangling and my dad was on the sofa and didn't realise it was on top of him. And then it nearly fell on Michael's head and it was really funny. We were all in there looking at the spider.

Adult:

Watching it about to go on his head. He was blissfully unaware.

‘child1’:

When I was on the toilet, I just looked down at the tissue thing and then just above it, there was a massive daddy long-legs underneath it. And then I was like, "oh my god, Dad, can you please come and get this spider?"

Adult:

Yeah, I've had that happen to me before. That's funny.

‘child1’:

Yeah.

Adult:

What would you normally do outdoors? What kind of things do you like? So it sounds like you both doing stuff in nature.

‘child1’:

Yeah, I usually quite like playing games outside, so yeah.

Adult:

Yeah. So what kind of other stuff in nature would you do? So just kind of looking at things or would you...

‘child1’:

Sometimes I use them for my games.

Adult:

Oh, that's nice.

‘child2’:

I see bees and I just like to watch them get the pollen from the flowers. And I pick flowers sometimes. It's really fun.

‘child1’:

Sometimes when I'm in the middle of a game, I just see a bee right next to me and it just lands in a flower, and then I just watch it for...

Adult:

And you like watching it?

‘child1’:

Yeah.

Adult:

Are there any-

‘child2’:

It's very nice when you watch it.

Adult:

Yeah. How do you feel when you're watching it?

‘child1’:

I Feel happy. Yeah. I feel happy. And relaxed.

Adult:

And relaxed. Are there any other minibeasts you like to watch?

‘child1’:

I quite like watching slow worms.

‘child2’:

I like to watch ladybugs wherever they go.

‘child1’:

Oh yeah.

Adult:

See where they go.

‘child1’:

Yeah. Slow worms, bees, butterflies and slow worms. Did I already say slow worms?

Adult:

You really like slow worms?

‘child1’:

Yeah, I really like slow worms because I love the way they just go into cracks, and yeah.