

Primary 6 activity ideas

- Make a collage of a stream (including the stream-bed and surrounding bankside vegetation) with different habitat types:
 - o Smooth cobbles
 - o Weed
 - o Gravel
 - o Silt
- Match cut outs of various nymphs to the correct microhabitats in the collage (see Teacher's Introduction for table of families and their preferred microhabitats)
- Include birds, fish and spiders as predators on the collage
- Include adult mayflies (sub-imagos and imagos) on the collage
- Include bankside vegetation and make sure adult mayfly pictures are placed in the vegetation and on the water surface as well as flying through the air
- Include birds' nests and chicks being fed mayflies by parent birds
- Emphasise the "circle of life" aspect to these food chains and lifecycles
- Include representations of pollution (e.g. chemical spills, discarded containers etc.) and an absence of living creatures in that area of the collage (dead fish and invertebrates may also be included in this area)
- Have younger primary classes visit the Primary 6 "mayfly in the classroom" aquaria and make/colour in items for the collage