



Garden activities for under 5s

Snail Race

Draw a racing circle on a smooth surface and search for your racers. Look under pots and leaves. Give them names and cheer on your snail.



Ask children to find special items: these could be stones, old snail shells, daisy heads, special leaves. Ask them to arrange it in a collection to show you. Establish some ground rules about not picking up anything sharp.

Collections

Treasure Hunts

Choose some hardy toys and collect them in a bag. Take turns to hide them around the garden in your treasure hunt. Practice counting the toys back in to the bag so none get lost.



Pick daisies and dandelions and add a good bit of grass and mud to make a potion, stir with a big stick and invent some spells.

Potions

Beds

Collect leaves, petals, sticks to make a bedframe and make little natural beds for tiny things. Go on a minibeast hunt to see if any caterpillars (not hairy ones) or snails want to lie down in the bed, or leave them for the fairies.

