

Vocabulary	Meaning
living	a thing that breathes, grows, moves and can reproduce
non-living	a thing which does not breathe, grow or reproduce
producer	a plant that comes first in a food chain
consumer	a person or thing that eats plants or other animals
predator	an animal that eats another animal
prey	an animal that is hunted and eaten by another animal
living thing	a thing that breathes, grows, moves and can reproduce
organism	an animal or a plant
habitat	where an animal or plant lives
microhabitat	a smaller habitat within a large habitat
minibeast	a small animal living in a microhabitat
ocean	a large area of sea
fish	an animal that lives in water and has fins to swim and gills to breathe
mammal	an animal that has hair or fur, feeds it young with milk and gives birth to live young
plastic	man-made material
biodegradable	rots away safely

Key knowledge – What is a microhabitat?



A microhabitat

A microhabitat is a habitat for extremely small creatures called minibeasts.

Different minibeasts live in many different microhabitats. They are suited to live in that microhabitat as they find food, water and shelter they need.

Key knowledge – What is the problem with plastic?



The problem with plastic is that it isn't biodegradable.

All animals, whether they live on land or in the sea, can be hurt by plastic. They can get trapped in bigger items such as carrier bags or food packaging. Birds, fish and shellfish can mistake plastic for food when it has broken down into smaller pieces. Plastic has been found inside the stomachs of marine animals.