

Dear Family: in class today, we made a habitat box for crickets.

Did you know?

- A habitat has what an animal or plant needs to live.
- Living things need food, water, air, shelter, and space.
- Crickets live in many kinds of habitats. Crickets live around your house.
- Crickets look for warm places to live when it gets cool outside. Crickets will live in building basements.

Ask your child:

- Tell me what is a habitat.
- Describe what crickets need to live.
- What did you use to make the habitat box?

Vocabulary:

- animal – a living thing. It is not a plant.
- habitat – the natural surroundings of an animal or plant.
- shelter – a place that protects from weather. It also protects from danger.
- environment – everything around a living thing. It affects the health of the living thing.
- survive – to continue to live and grow.
- cricket – an insect. It is related to a grasshopper. A cricket has long antennae. It also has strong back legs for jumping.

Activity:

Go on a cricket hunt inside and around your home. Discuss the places that you found crickets. Count the number of crickets you found, and write it down. Send it to school to share.