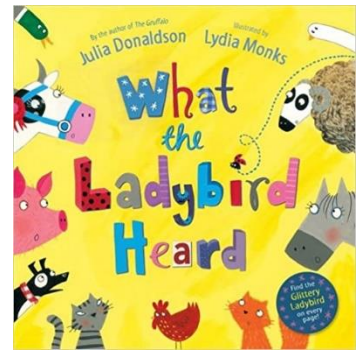


What the ladybird heard

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- Count how many animals appear in the whole story and if you're feeling really clever, count how many legs there are combined. Make up sums about the animals' legs
- Can you create pictures of different animals using textured materials?
- Gather lots of leaves and try to arrange them to make a picture. Look at the work of Andy Goldsworthy to find more examples of how nature can be used to make art. Use these as inspiration to make your own
- Design a new outfit for the scarecrow in the farmer's field
- Design a new rosette for the prize cow
- Draw a map of the farm

- Make a moveable ladybird out of 2 paper plates, one painted black, the other red. Cut the top off the red plate and then cut the remainder bit in half. Decorate with black spots. Hinge these 'wings' onto the black plate using a split pin and give the ladybird a face (see pictures)



- Make a ladybird suncatcher out of black card and red tissue paper (picture)



- Lots of printable activity sheets about the book here

<https://www.kiddycharts.com/printables/printable-what-the-ladybird-heard-activities/>

- Make ladybird biscuits – digestives/rich tea with red icing and raisins/choc chips
- Make antennae with hair bands and pipe cleaners
- Play the farmer's in the den, duck duck, goose or 'moosical' statues
- Julia Donaldson has created some great activity sheets to download here
<https://www.gruffalo.com/activities/activities/what-the-ladybird-heard-10th-activities>

- Make a listening ears headband

