Peatland Habitat Models (Expressive Arts)

Pupils learn what a healthy peatland looks like and the typical species that live there. Then in small groups create a habitat model of a healthy peatland

Timings	Activity	Notes	Resources
5mins	 Establishing Previous Knowledge What is a habitat? Can the pupils name some important habitats in Scotland and which species live there? 		
10mins (5min video and 5 min look at images and fact sheets)	Introduction to the topic Watch a video describing a peatland and what it looks like Provide images of a healthy peatland Introduce the activity (create a healthy peatland 3d model with arts and crafts) Provide the pupils with fact sheets, which describe a peatland, and the species found there	Ask the pupils first to see if they know what a peatland is?	See video "Peatland_Summary" Images of a typical healthy peatland (see presentation "Peatland Examples") and fact files on species provided

	Discuss the success criteria	
5mins	Further Discussion Share the learning intention What do we want our model to look like? What habitat features are important to make for a peatland? If we wanted to find out what a word means, where might we look?	
50mins	Main activity In groups make a healthy peatland habitat model using the materials and crafts supplied	Will need some cereal boxes cut in half for habitat models and craft materials (e.g. coloured paper, pompoms, etc) and PVA glue. Each group will use one half of a cereal box. See example below. Habitat and species factfiles per group. Glossary.
20mins	Plenary Pupils to present model to the class describing aspects of their habitat	

