

Watergrove: Family activity trail

Explore our reservoirs and the nature around them



How many have you found?

1 Find all the wooden animals?

How many are there, and what type of animals?

2 Mini beast hunt!

Carefully move the logs and see what beasts you can find! Please put the logs back once you have finished!

3 Viewing point

What can you see through the gap in the hedge?

4 Ancient items

All these items came from the farms that used to be around the valley. Some are hundreds of years old! Can you guess what they were used for?

5 Roads Mill track

Look at the surface of the track and you can see dents where wagons have worn the stone away. Roads Mill was the first water mill built in the valley and had several uses. The last change of use was in 1847 when it became a fulling mill. Local wool was washed to remove oil and dirt. Then using wooden machinery powered by the water wheel, the wool was pounded to make it thicker.

6 Viewing point

Looking over the valley, you can see old and new industry. From the old faint lines in the fields from ploughs, and the spoil heaps from coal mining, to wind turbines creating green energy.

7 Stepping stones

Have fun walking along the wooden stepping stones!

8 Littletown Ruin

Built in 1778, this was once a small hamlet. There were four houses, including a farm house with farm buildings, and three cottages. When the reservoir was built in the 1930s, all the people were asked to leave the valley and the farm houses were knocked down. The reservoir was finished in 1938, although the Little Town Farm was the last building to be lived in. Jackson Crossley was the last person to live there, he refused to move out until 1939, after the reservoir was built.



Turn over for mini beast hunt



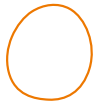
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Water for the North West

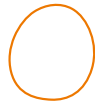
Mini beast hunt

Take a look and see if you can find the mini beasts below.
Tick them off when you do. Can you find them all?

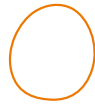
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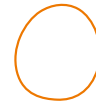
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Beetle



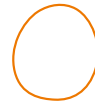
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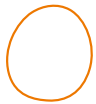
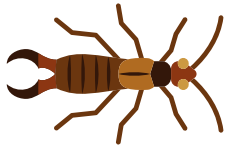
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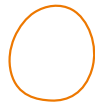
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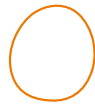
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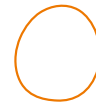
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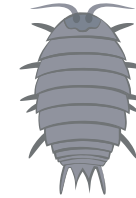
Snail



Spider



Woodlouse



Worm

