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Film Synopsis

Based on the well-known fantasy novels, The Spiderwick Chronicles follows the Grace family as they move into the run-down Spiderwick Estate. Once settled in their new home, peculiar things start to happen as twin brothers Jared and Simon, their mother and their sister Mallory, find themselves pulled into an alternate world full of fairies and other fantastic creatures.

UK release date: Friday 21 March 2008

Certificate: PG

Running time: 104 mins

Suitable for: Key Stage 2 Literacy, Art and Design

Watch the trailer at www.spiderwickchronicles.co.uk



The Field Guide

When his family move to the Spiderwick Estate, Jared Grace discovers Arthur Spiderwick's Field Guide to the Fantastical World Around You, a book full of information about faeries. Add a chapter to the Field Guide by creating your own creature. Explore the Field Guide here: www.spiderwickchronicles.co.uk

Now create a profile for your creature for the Field Guide.

Name:			
Physical features:	. (Drawing of creature:	
Poreonality:			
Personality:	.		
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Behaviour:			
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Other fantastical facts:			



Thimbletack

Later Jared meets Thimbletack, an industrious and fiercely loyal Brownie. If Brownies are neglected or insulted they may change into a malicious Boggart. Thimbletack speaks in rhymes and gives guidance to Jared. These are some examples of his rhyming instructions and warnings. Read them aloud:

Do Not Dare To Read This Book For If You Take One Fateful Look You Face A Deadly Consequence.

In Certain Times At Certain Places Brownies Choose To Show Their Faces

All Can Be Known With A Lens Of Stone.

Circle the rhymes. Can you think of some rhyming instructions for a new pupil joining your school? What do they need to know about the school day, the playground, lessons and so on? Write them below:

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The Seeing Stone

Jared obtains the Seeing Stone, a circular stone with a glass in the middle of it that when you look through it, reveals the creatures around you. Imagine what you might see through the Seeing Stone. Add a stone edge around the glass and reveal the hidden world of the Spiderwick Estate by drawing what you might see through it. Use the Seeing Stone here: www.spiderwickchronicles.co.uk

