Length of Session:
1 hour: 30 min object handling session followed by 30 minute self-guided trail in the Museum.

Maximum group size:
32 children plus 4 members of staff.

Session outline
- Explore the real characters behind Humpty Dumpty and Incy-Wincy and how we classify life around us.
- This session uses nursery rhymes to introduce children to the real animals the rhymes are based on.
- We investigate mammals, amphibians, birds, reptiles and bugs and discover what kind of egg Humpty might have been!

Suggestions for pre-visit activities
- Practise the nursery rhymes Humpty Dumpty, Incy-Wincy Spider, Five Little Speckled Frogs, Hickory Dickory Dock and Two Little Dicky Birds.
- Discuss who’s been to a museum before and what to expect.

Suggestions for post-visit activities
- Talk about what you saw at the museum and what the children’s favourite things were.
- Make pictures of nursery rhyme characters for a wall frieze.
- Discuss what kinds of animals they are and their characteristics.