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## **Design Strategy**

Overall: Common graphical thread will be that of the soil 'splat'. The graphic will become less overbearing as key stages progress.

Characterisation will be evident throughout KS1,2 & 3 and phased out by KS4.

#### **INTRO PAGE**

- Gateway to soil-net.com
- Animated Flash movie scene above soil leading you into the soil at the choice of desired key stage.
- Graphical and text representation of the four key stages, with each button represent ing the specific key stages graphical design.

#### **KEY STAGE 1**

- Stand-alone Flash site
- Layers of flat imagery with bold shapes, block colours and minimal text.
- fit into the overall graphical scheme but will be the most distinctively different due the aimed audience.
- Interactive movies featuring characters as a learning device.
- 3D vector style characters for time effective production.

### **KEY STAGE 2**

- A leap from key stage 1 into textured imagery.
- Large top banner (1024x200) will indicate the graphical feel with interactive elements which will include
- Main body of site white background.

# **KEY STAGE 3**

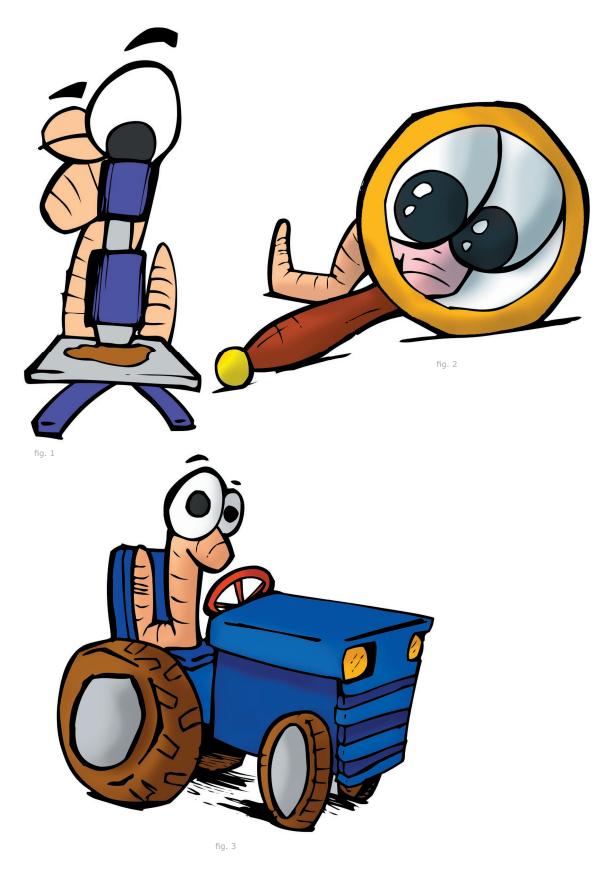
- Top banner (1024x150) featuring less
- Minimal use of characters to help phasing out.
- White background.

### **KEY STAGE 4**

- Serious feel for the KS4 resource.
- Top banner less prominent and less animated.
- White background.



Character Design-Poses Badger in various poses for teacher worksheets.

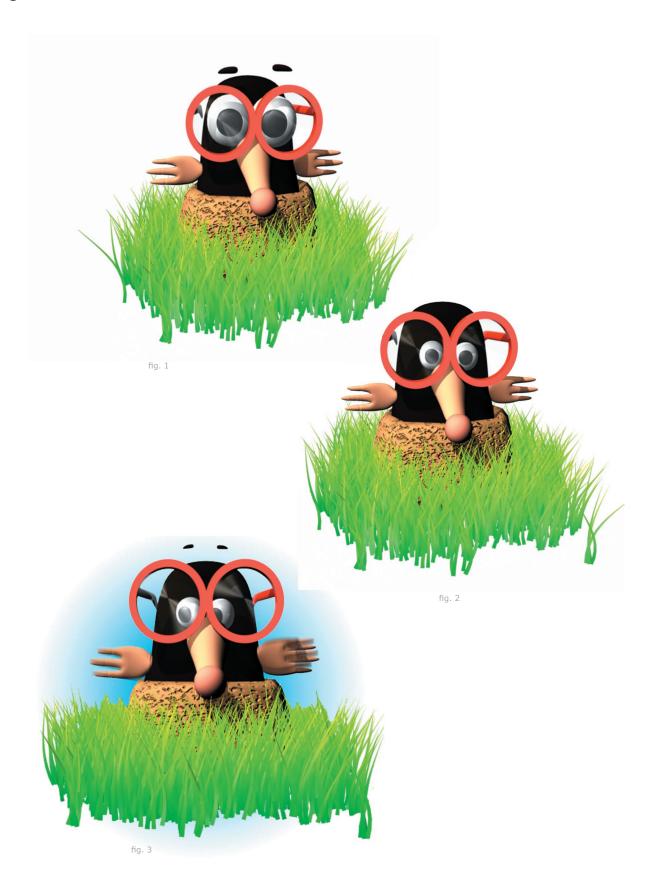


Character Design-Poses Wiggles in various poses.



fig. 1

3D Character Designs Part of Key Stage 2 and 3's more textural design.



Soil Horizon Logo Development Various looks of the helpful Mole character. Note the oversize comical spectacles.