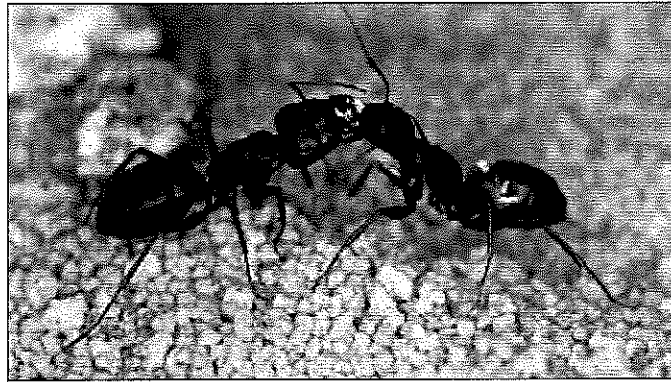


All About Ants



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Ants are amazing!

Ants are busy animals that work hard. They are a type of **insect**. Insects are animals that have six legs.

Ants are amazing! Although ants are small, they are strong! An ant can carry things that weigh 30 times as much as its own body. If you were that strong, you could carry a small car!

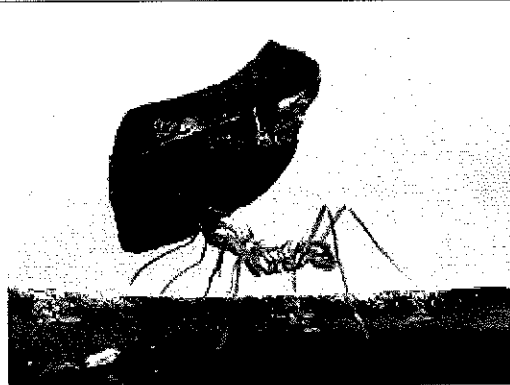
Ants live in large groups called **colonies**. Some colonies are made up of millions of ants. Different members of a colony have different jobs. Three main types of ants live in a colony. Learn about each type of ant.

Male ants help the queen make eggs so that new ants will be born. There are a few males in a colony. Male ants are small, and some have wings.

Queen ants lay eggs. There is usually only one queen in each ant colony. Most queen ants are larger than the other ants in a colony.

Worker ants build the nest, search for food, and take care of baby ants. There are many workers in each ant colony. Worker ants are small and are always female.

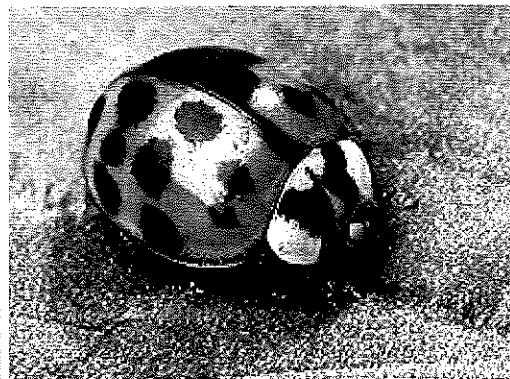
Interesting Insect Facts



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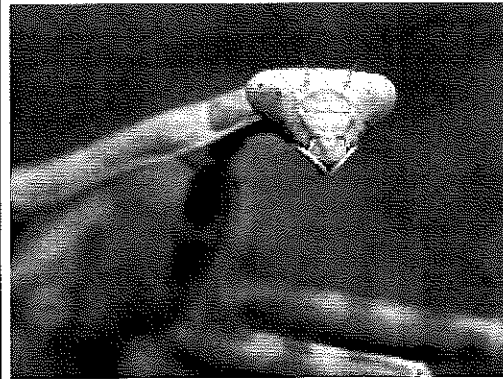
A **leaf-cutting ant** uses leaves to make a tent for shelter.

Check out these interesting animals!



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Ladybugs come in different colors, and most have dots.



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A **praying mantis** has razor-sharp spikes on its front legs.

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Directions: Answer the following four questions based on the information in the passage.

1. According to the passage, what makes ants amazing?

2. Where do ants live?

3. According to the passage, how do different types of ants contribute to the colony they live in?

4. What is this passage mostly about?

Directions: Please read the sentence below and then write the word or phrase that best answers the questions. The first answer has been provided for you.

Every day, leaf-cutting ants make a tent for shelter by using leaves.

What is the subject of this sentence? leaf-cutting ants

5. What do leaf-cutting ants do?

6. When?

7. How?

8. The question below is an incomplete sentence. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

There are many female ants in a colony _____ only a few males.

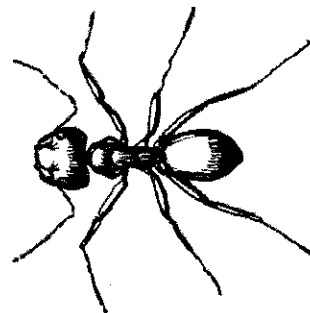
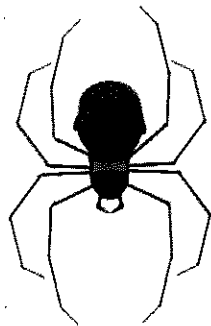
- A but
- B because
- C so

Directions: Read the vocabulary word and definition below. Then answer questions 9 and 10.

Vocabulary Word: **insect** (in · sect): an animal that has six legs.

9. Read the sentences below and underline all forms of the word **insect**.
- a. A ladybug is an insect that often has dots on it.
 - b. Butterflies are insects that fly south for the winter.
 - c. An insect that has six legs and flies is a bee.
 - d. There are many insects living in North America.
 - e. Some insects, such as wasps, sting people.

10. Which image shows an insect?



Name: _____

Comparing Numbers

"Greater Than"

$$45 \quad \boxed{>} \quad 41$$

45 is greater than 41

"Equal To"

$$63 \quad \boxed{=} \quad 63$$

63 is equal to 63

"Less Than"

$$33 \quad \boxed{<} \quad 42$$

33 is less than 42

In the left column, write a symbol (<, >, or =) for each.

In the right column, write the words "is greater than", "is less than", or "is equal to."

a. 19 _____ 25 19 _____ 25

b. 32 _____ 27 32 _____ 27

c. 7 _____ 17 7 _____ 17

d. 47 _____ 47 47 _____ 47

e. 85 _____ 36 85 _____ 36

Challenge:

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