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Ants

Ants are insects that live in a group called a colony.

There are over 12,000 different types of ants in the world and many of them live in rainforests.



Ants can be found all over the world except Antarctica.

Ants can lift 20 times their own body weight. Most ants are red or black. They have large heads, a narrow waist, and strong jaws.

Ants, like all insects, have three body parts: the head, thorax and abdomen. They don't have lungs. They have tiny holes all over their bodies which is how they breathe.

Ants like to build their nests underground or build them on trees. They eat caterpillars, leaves and fungi.

Each colony has three kinds of ants: The queen, the workers, and the drones.

The life cycle of an ant normally lasts for 6 – 10 weeks.