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A new path towards General Knowledge



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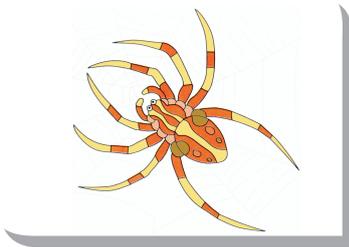
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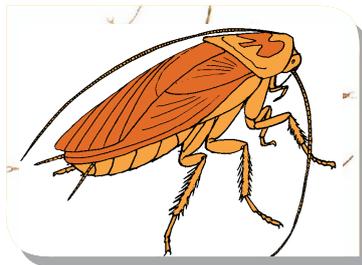
Insects

Which of the following do you think are insects? Circle them and then check your answers. You will surely be amazed.

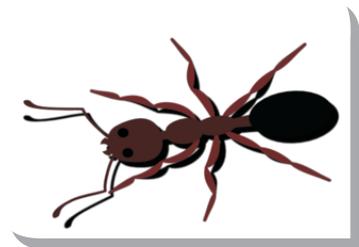
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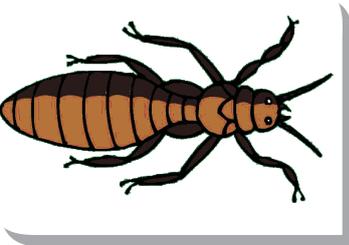
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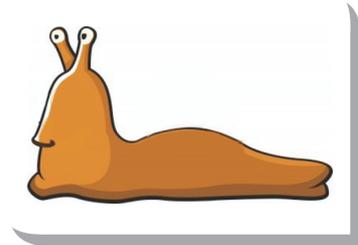
EARTHWORM



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SLUG



QUIZ



1. How many legs does an insect have?

2. Which common insect has white blood?

3. How do insects communicate with each other?

4. Do all insects fly?

5. Name two common insects which live in large colonies.

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Bird Bites

There are about 9,000 different species of birds on this Earth. Match these record-holder birds with their pictures and write their names.

a. The slowest flying bird



b. Most feathered bird

c. The fastest flying bird



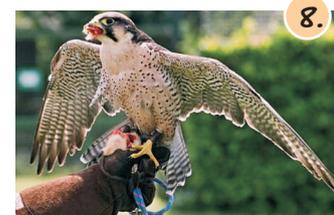
d. The largest bird

e. The deepest diver



f. The loudest bird

g. The fastest bird



h. The laziest bird

Help!

Cuckoo Peacock Emperor Penguin The Spine tail swift
Peregrine Falcon Ostrich Tundra Swan American Woodcock

Do You Know ?

If you thought Peregrine Falcon is the fastest flying bird, think again. The definition of flying is 'The ability to maintain level flight under one's own power.' The Peregrine Falcon is the fastest bird, as while hunting, it dives steeply at speeds of over 200 mph. However, it does not make it to the top ten when travelling in level flight.

Mistaken notions about animals

There are many mistaken notions about animals around us. Let's dispel them.

Are bats blind?

No. Contrary to the popular belief, bats are not blind. Bats are nocturnal creatures and fly at night, which is one of the main reasons why people think that they are blind. Although they can see reasonably well, they are not equipped with the special eyesight possessed by other night-hunting animals such as owls and cats. Instead, bats fly and guide themselves in the dark by means of a sonar system.

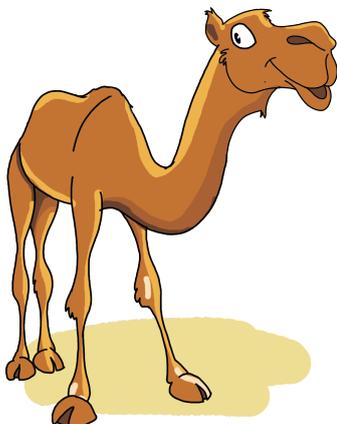


Is there any difference between a rat and mice?

Yes! Rats and mice are two different kinds of rodents. Rats are much larger in size than mice. While a mouse is usually 3 ½ to 4 inch long with 2-3 inch tail, a rat is on an average, 7-10 inch long with a longer tail of 5-8 inch. Also, rats have hairless tails while mice have hair on their tails.

Are bulls enraged when they see red?

No. As opposed to the popular belief, bulls are colour-blind! As seen in bull-fights, bulls charge at the red cape not because it is red but because they see a flapping cape which irritates them.



Do camels store water in their humps?

Camels do not store water in their hump. Actually, their hump contains fat which helps them to go without food for days.