

INSECTS



Action Insects

Ant

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Can you show me how strong you are?

(give children various objects to pick up and walk with like an ant).

Butterfly

I need to be warm to move so when you see me in the sunshine, it is because I am warming up.

Can you show me how you lie around in the sun and then jump up and fly when you are warm?

(tell children to jump up and pretend to fly on your cue).

Ladybird

If I think I am in danger I can be very still so nothing sees me.

Can you show me how you can freeze?

(instruct children to move around like a ladybird and freeze on your cue).

Beetle

I am one of the world's oldest animals.

Can you move around like a very old beetle?

(give children the freedom to move in any way they see fit unless they need some guidance).

Dragonfly

I am an expert flyer and can fly up and down and even hover like a helicopter.

Can you show me how you can fly like a dragon fly?

(ask children to fly high up on their tip toes, now can they fly around really low, then can they hover, i.e. stand still on tip toes while still moving their arms like wings).

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Bee

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Can you show me how you can fly in different directions and land on flowers to collect the nectar?
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Mosquito

I am very annoying and when I bite you, I leave a big itchy bump.
Can you show me how you wiggle and scratch because you are so itchy?
(show children how to wiggle and pretend to scratch their bodies, this can also be done to music).

Fly

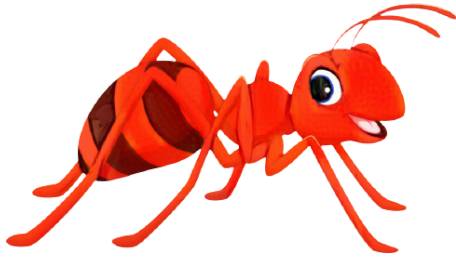
I am a house fly that can walk upside down.
Can you show me how you can walk upside down?
(children can lie on their backs, put their feet in the air and pretend to walk on the ceiling/sky).

Grasshopper

I can jump very high and very far.
Can you show me how high and far you can jump?
(use the whole space to encourage children to jump up and forward).

Cockroach

I can run very fast.
Can you show me how fast you can run?
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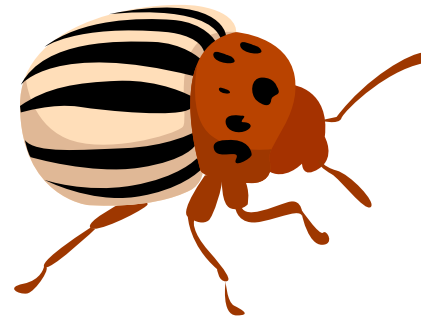


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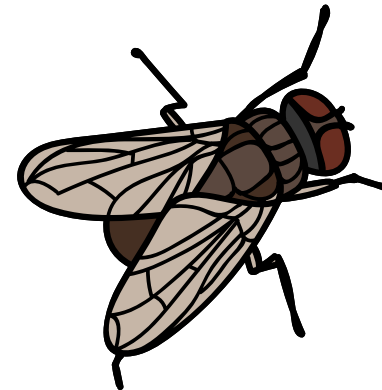


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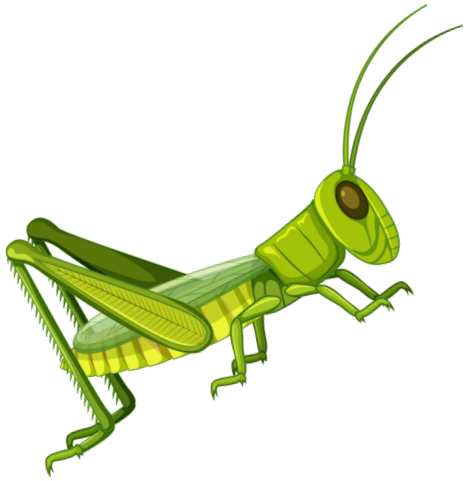


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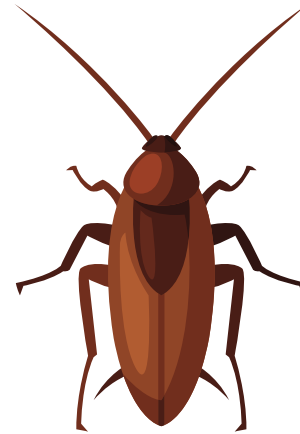


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