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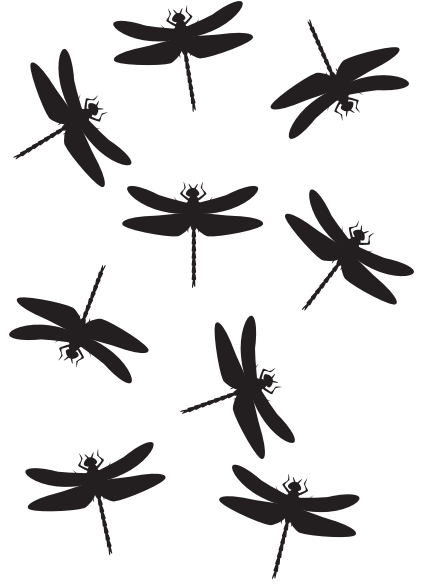
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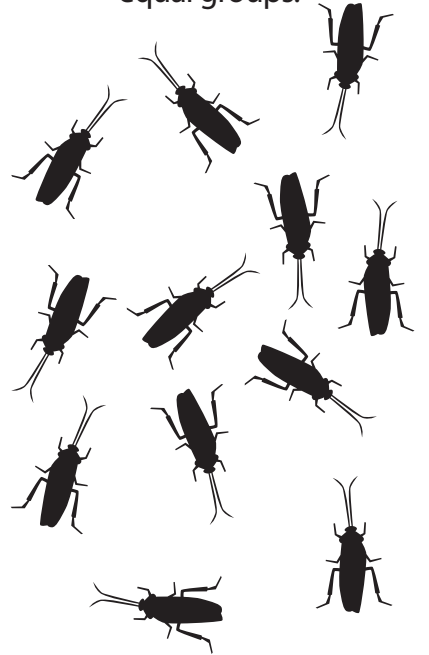
Kid Scoop Together: BUGGY MATH

Circle the bugs to create groups as instructed. Then, have a parent check your answers.

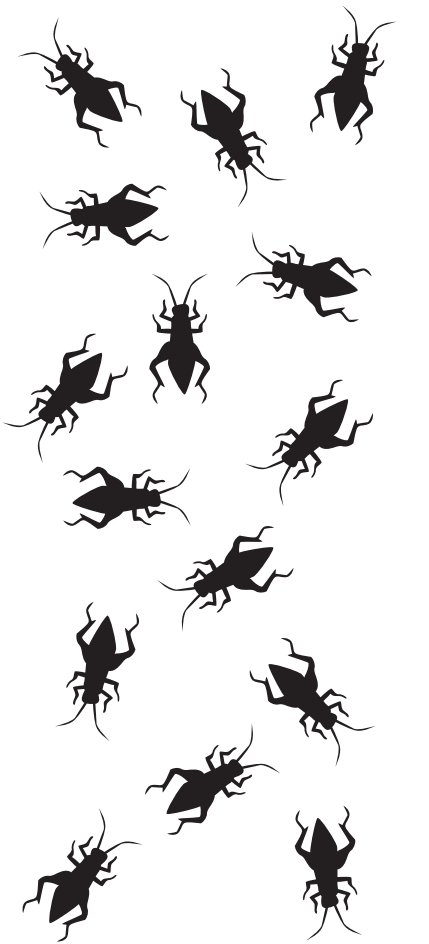
Divide the dragonflies into three groups with the same number in each group.



Divide the roaches into two equal groups.



Divide the crickets into five equal groups.



Standards Link: Math / Number Sense.

Could Eating Bugs Be Good for the Planet?

Scientists think eating bugs could fight hunger and help protect our planet's health.

According to entomologist Arnold van Huis of Wageningen University in the Netherlands, about 80% of the world's population eats insects.



Find the differences!

Bugs have munched some of the words right out of this article. Can you put them back where they belong?

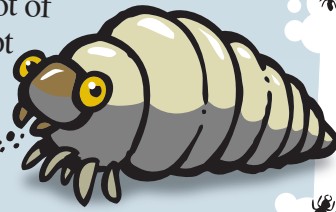
- FRESH
- FOOD
- EASIER
- PRODUCING
- WATER
- FARMERS
- SCRAPS
- POPULATION
- CROWDED

Mini Livestock

According to the United Nations, the planet's _____ will reach 9 billion before 2050. The demand for meat will double. Raising cattle, pigs and other livestock takes a lot of land, a lot of _____ and a lot of money to feed them.

Insects are much _____ and cheaper to raise than livestock. They like to live together in _____ spaces, so they need less land. They can also eat food _____. According to entomologist Arnold van Huis, we throw away one-third of our food. Insects could eat the _____ we throw out, turning it back into food for people to eat.

In Thailand, poor rice _____ who often lose their crops to bad weather, are finding that raising mounds of _____ crickets is helping them to survive and keep their farms. There are more than 20,000 cricket farms in Thailand, _____ 7,500 tons of crickets each year. Thailand leads the world in raising insects for food.



Bugs for Lunch?

WARNING! DON'T NIBBLE BUGS IN YOUR BACKYARD. SOME ARE DANGEROUS!

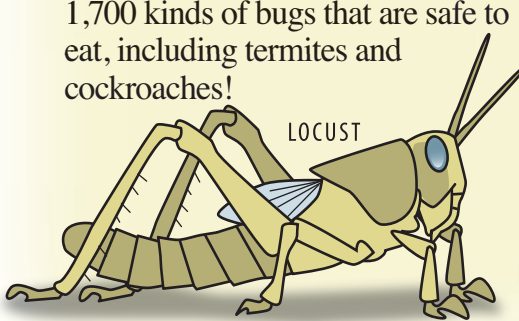
Most Popular Bugs for Eating

Mealworms, crickets and locusts are

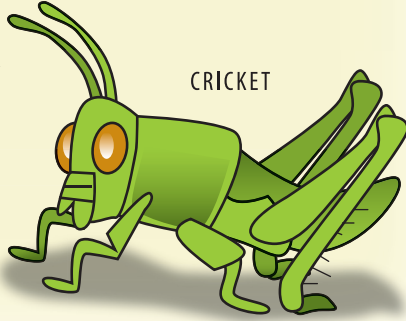


MEALWORM

the most common bugs people consume. But there are more than 1,700 kinds of bugs that are safe to eat, including termites and cockroaches!



LOCUST



CRICKET

Circle the bug that should come next in each row.

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Standards Link: Math / Reasoning: Complete patterns.

BE A BUG CHEF

Imagine you are starting a restaurant that makes and serves dishes made with bugs.

Complete the Bug Bistro menu at right with dishes made with bugs as the main ingredient!

TERMITE TACO



It's crawling with flavor! Try it topped with our spicy mealworm salsa and crispy cricket flakes.

BUG BISTRO

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Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write simple phrases that describe and summarize concepts.

Extra! Extra! Bug Dot-to-Dot

On one newspaper page, find and circle the letters that spell the names of each of the bugs below. Then connect the circled letters to make and color a design.

- Termite
- Beetle
- Ladybug
- Ant
- Cricket
- Firefly

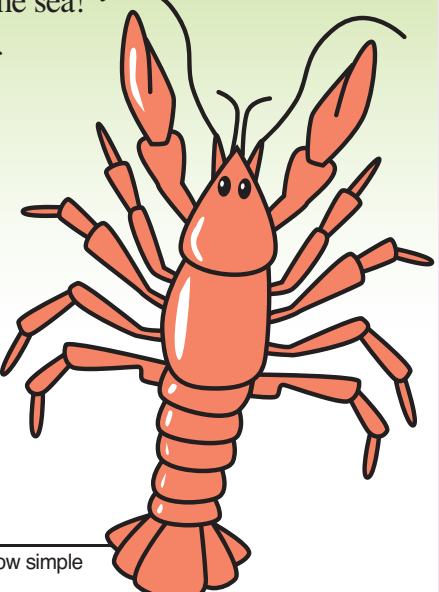
Standards Link: Spelling: Spell grade-level appropriate words correctly.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Did you know that **crustaceans**, like lobsters, crab and shrimp, belong to the same part of the animal family tree as insects? So if you've ever tried these tasty treats, then you've dined on the insects of the sea!

In Louisiana, people eat a lot of crustaceans called **crawfish**. Use the code to find out their nickname:

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| | =A |
| | =B |
| | =D |
| | =E |
| | =G |
| | =L |
| | =M |
| | =U |



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

- CRICKETS
- CRAWFISH
- TERMITES
- INSECTS
- SURVIVE
- CHEAPER
- LOCUSTS
- HUNGER
- SCRAPS
- CROPS
- MENU
- BUGS
- RICE
- EATS
- FOOD

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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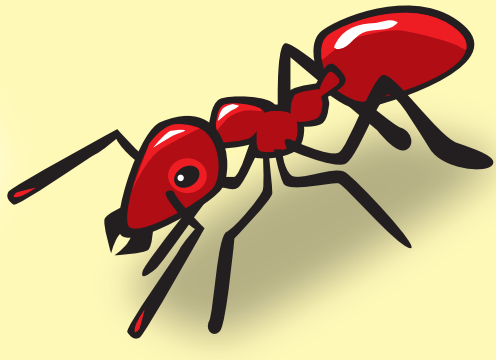
Living Things

Collect newspaper pictures of living things. Make a poster called LIVING THINGS with four columns: *Mammals, Insects, Plants, Other Animals*. Keep adding to your poster until every column is filled.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Which kind of ANT is great at math?

ANSWER: An account-ant!



Write On! Bug Recipe

Make up a recipe that uses bugs as a main ingredient. Explain why people should give it a try.



CYAN MAGENTA YELLOW BLACK