

GATHERINGS

JULY 3 AND 4

Independence Day, and Independence Eve, both bring people together in a variety of ways. At right, firefighter Michelle Beaman (center in blue shirt) greets the next group in a long line of diners at the Hood River Fire Department barbecue at the community July 4 celebration at Jackson Park. Most people ate their picnics or listened to music in the shade on the park periphery but the heat did not deter three young dancers from moving to the sound of the Hood River band Willie and Nelson. Below: Luke MacMillan, 23, and his mother, Debbie Dobbs, of Hood River, listen during the Radio Tierra 95.1-FM live broadcast from Bingen Theater; MacMillan and Dobbs both read poems by William Stafford as part of the "Independence Eve" broadcast.

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AMAZING ANTS

THE FLYSPECK FLYER

Underground Cities

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 WORLD'S SMALLEST REPORTER

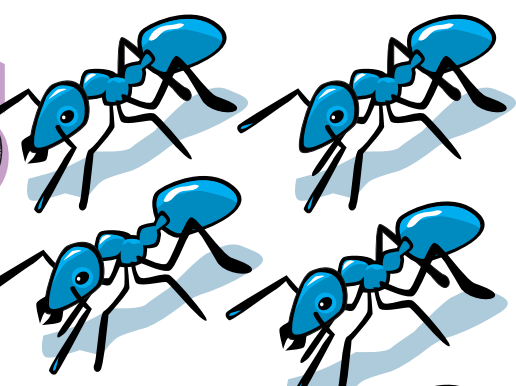
Most ants build their homes or nests underground. They dig tunnels and rooms. The extra dirt is carried outside and forms a hill around the entrance.

Underground ant nests contain many different rooms with different functions. There is a

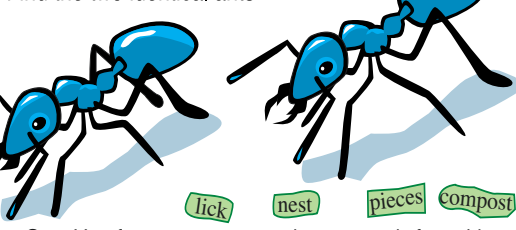
room where the queen lays eggs. A team of worker ants cares for the queen, her ant larva and the cocoons.

Ant nests also have special rooms to store food, a nursery for young ants and resting rooms for worker ants.

Center tunnel for grub closets. Exact response found to the disc survey inside count for water given insects harvest season.



Find the two identical ants.



Oops! Leafcutter ants removed some words from this article. Draw a line to where each word belongs.



Farmer Ants

Leafcutter ants live in the _____ and collect leaves by first _____ them into small pieces using their sharp, pointed jaws. They carry the _____ back to their nest, holding them high above their heads.

Surprisingly, they _____ eat the leaves. Instead, they use them to _____ food! Back at the _____, smaller worker ants _____ the leaves clean and cut them into tiny pieces. These are then chewed up and made into miniature heaps to grow the fungus on which they _____.

Standards Link: Life Science: Living organisms have distinct structures and body systems that serve special functions in growth, survival and reproduction.

Jobs We Share

Workers in ant colonies have a variety of different jobs. Many of these are similar to jobs people have. Look through the newspaper to find people that do the following ant colony jobs:

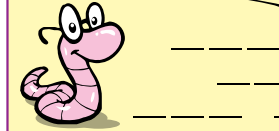
- childcare
- security
- communications
- armed forces
- earth movers
- engineers
- flood control

Standards Link: Life Skills: Students study different life choices and the skills required.

Catch the Reading Bug at Your Library This Summer!

Your mission is to combat the Evil Power Master who has reportedly allied with the Ant People. Are your missing group members playing a prank, or have the Ant People taken them prisoner?

Unscramble the title of this book. Then, check it out at your local library this summer! - Bert Bookworm



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Read age-appropriate text in a variety of genres.



Kid Scoop Together: Fill In The Blanks

Ask a friend to give you each type of word. Fill in the blanks and read the story aloud for some silly fun.

Ambrose Ant

Unlike most ants, Ambrose Ant had a terrible sense of direction. Instead of following the trail to picnics, he often wound up in _____. All the ants following him would have to _____ through _____ bowls of _____.

The Queen of the ants became very _____ ADJECTIVE. She declared that Ambrose could never leave the _____ ADJECTIVE anthill.

Unfortunately, on his way to the food storeroom, Ambrose took a wrong turn, went through a _____ ADJECTIVE tunnel, and ended up in _____. He lives there today, where he enjoys going for a _____ VERB, munching on _____ PLURAL NOUN, and working as a tour guide.

All the _____ ADJECTIVE bugs agree that the _____ ADJECTIVE thing about one of Ambrose's tours is that they're always a surprise—you never know WHERE you'll go!

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify nouns, verbs, adjectives and interjections in reading.

Kid Scoop-doku™

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word ANTS in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

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| N | A | | |
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| A | | T | S |
| T | | S | |

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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| COCOONS | Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities. |
| LARVA | |
| LEAVES | |
| WORKERS | S Y R E S R U N C S |
| FUNGUS | A R S R E K R O W K |
| COLONY | S R O B C O C L C R |
| NURSERY | L U M D E O O O A |
| STORE | E A G E O R L N M M |
| TRAIL | A Y R N D D O W P D |
| LANDMARKS | V E S V U L N T O N |
| ODORS | E S T C A F Y L S A |
| COMPOST | S L I A R T E R T L |
| ARMED | |
| FACTS | |

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

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Planet of the Ants

According to the National Pest Management Association, the world harbors 12,000 species of ants. Look through the newspaper and find four or more numbers that add up to exactly 12,000.

Standards Link: Number Sense: Calculate sums to 12,000.

Write On! Ant Vacation

Imagine the ants are going on vacation. Where will they go? What will they do? What will they pack?

