

# The World of Ants



Ants are insects that you can often see in a garden, in a park or just on the pavement. They usually live underground.

## Practice questions

(a) What kind of animal is an ant?

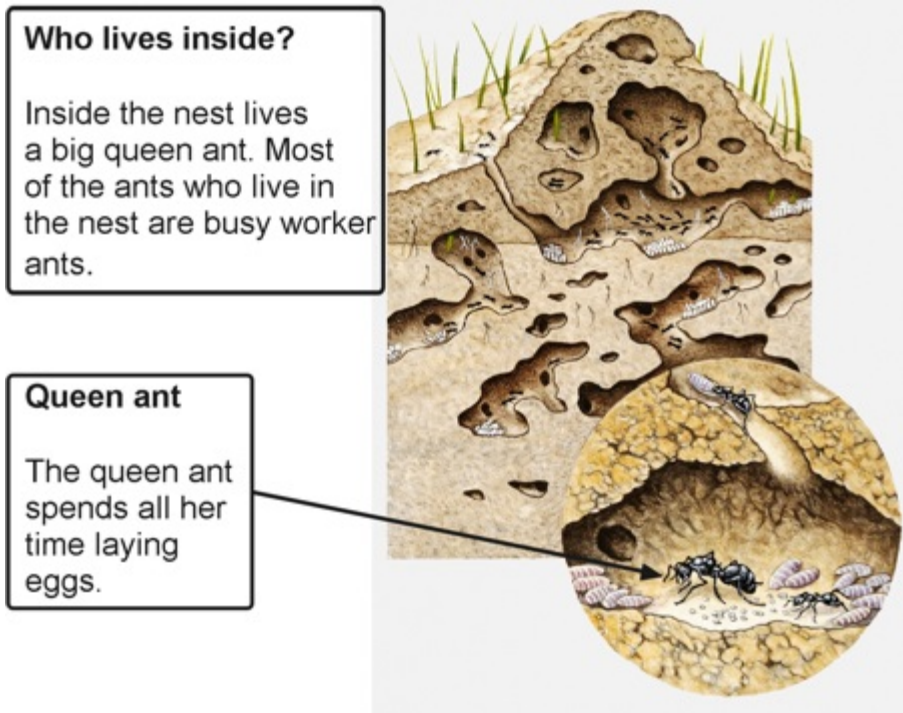
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(b) **Find** and **copy two** places you might see ants.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

# Ants underground



1 Which word in the text describes what worker ants are like?

Tick **one**.

sleepy	<input type="checkbox"/>	noisy	<input type="checkbox"/>
busy	<input type="checkbox"/>	fast	<input type="checkbox"/>

2 What does the queen ant do?

Tick **one**.

keeps the nest clean	<input type="checkbox"/>	lays eggs	<input type="checkbox"/>
moves eggs	<input type="checkbox"/>	finds food	<input type="checkbox"/>

**An ant nest**  
Ants build their nests with hundreds of tiny rooms joined up by tunnels.



**Worker ants and grubs**  
Worker ants are always busy. They like to keep their nest clean and tidy. Some feed and clean the queen. Others take her eggs to a special room where they hatch into grubs.

3 What joins the rooms in an ant nest together?

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4 Give **two** jobs that the worker ants do.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

5 What happens to the eggs in the special room?

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## Mark schemes

- 1**
- 1 **Award 1 mark** for the correct option ticked.
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|--------|-------------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|
| sleepy | <input type="checkbox"/>            | noisy | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| busy   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | fast  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- 1 mark**
- 2 **Award 1 mark** for the correct option ticked.
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|----------------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| keeps the nest clean | <input type="checkbox"/> | lays eggs  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| moves eggs           | <input type="checkbox"/> | finds food | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
- 1 mark**
- 3 **Award 1 mark** for:
- *tunnels / by tunnel(s).*
- 1 mark**
- 4 **Award 1 mark** for any two of the following:
1. clean the nest
  2. tidy the nest
  3. feed the queen ant
  4. clean the queen ant
  5. take the eggs to a special room.
- 1 mark**
- 5 **Award 1 mark** for answers referring to them hatching (into grubs), e.g.
- *they hatch into grubs*
  - *they hatch.*
- 1 mark**