

# Amazing Ants

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Ants can be found all over Earth. These insects have some amazing skills.

Ants are very strong. An ant can lift a leaf that is much bigger than it is.

Ants have big jaws. They use their jaws to squeeze juice out of their food. Then the ants throw the rest of the food away.

Most ants live together in colonies. The queen ant lays eggs. The worker ants do other jobs. Some ants find food, such as leaves. Other ants protect the queen and her eggs.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

For questions 1–4, please circle the correct answer.

**1.** What kind of animal is an ant?

- A) a mammal
- B) a lizard
- C) an insect

**2.** How does the text describe ants?

- A) Ants are tiny, black, and red bugs.
- B) Ants are very strong insects with big jaws.
- C) Ants are busy animals with many legs and body parts.

**3.** Ants can survive in all kinds of weather, temperatures, and places. What part of the text tells us that this is true?

- A) Most ants live together in colonies.
- B) Ants throw the rest of the food away.
- C) Ants can be found all over Earth.

**4.** What is “Amazing Ants” mostly about?

- A) ant jobs
- B) where ants live
- C) the characteristics of ants

## 5. What do ants use to squeeze juice out of their food?

To squeeze juice out of their food, ants use

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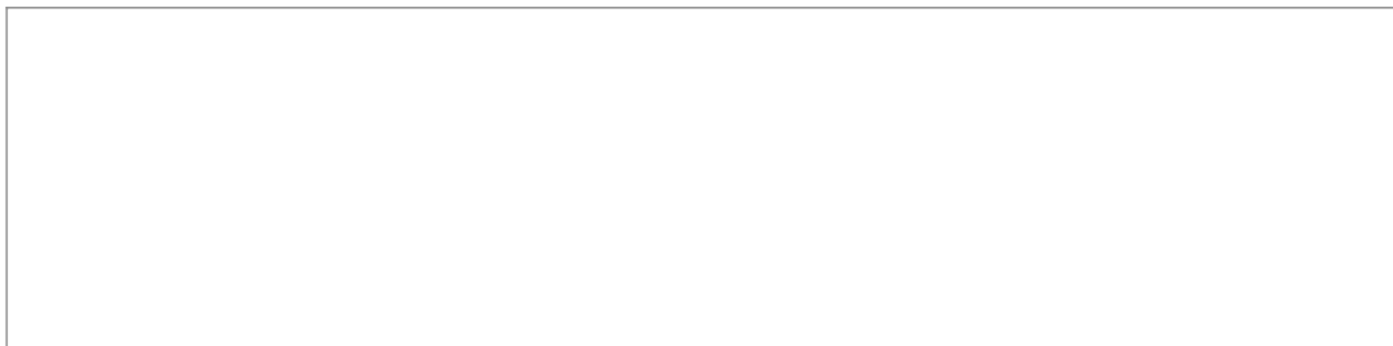
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## 6. Draw a picture of an ant carrying a leaf.



## 7. What did you learn from "Amazing Ants"?

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**8. Class Discussion Question:** Explain why worker ants that find food such as leaves must be very strong.