

Creepy Creatures – Raintree Sprouts

ANTS

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Page 4 Ants Ants are tiny creatures, but they are very strong!	
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Page 6 Types of Ants There are thousands of different types of ants.	
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Page 8 Looking for Ants Ants can be found in woods and gardens. . .	
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Page 9 . . . and even in your home - especially near food!	
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Page 10 An Ant’s Body Ants are insects . They have three parts to their bodies.	They have six legs. Can you count them all?
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Page 11 Ants have two antennae for touching and feeling.	They use them to find out if other ants are friends or enemies.
Page 12 Mighty Ants Ants have strong, sharp jaws for biting and cutting.	
Page 13 They can carry things that weigh much more than they do.	
Page 14 Ants' Homes Ants live in big groups called colonies .	
Page 15 They build nests in warm, safe places.	
Page 16 Queen Ant Every colony of ants has a queen. The queen lays the eggs.	
Page 17 The eggs grow and change into larvae .	
Page 18 Growing Up Worker ants collect food.	
Page 19 They care for the larvae as they grow and change .	
Page 20 Food for Ants Ants follow trails left by other ants to help them find food .	

Page 21	
Some ants farm aphids . Ants like to eat the sweet honeydew aphids make.	

Page 22 Ants in Danger	
If the nest is in danger, the ants will carefully move the larvae to safety.	

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Many different kinds of animals like to eat ants.	

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Glossary	
antenna (More than one are antennae.) feeler on an insect’s head that helps it smell, see, or hear	insect animal with three body parts and six legs
aphid kind of bug that eats growing plants	larva (More than one are called larvae.) first stage of an insect’s life when it eats and grows
colony group of ants living together	
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