

What's down there?

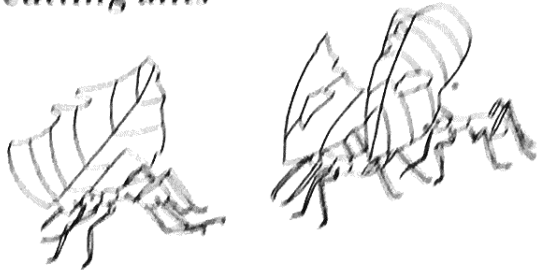


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The forest floor teems with millions of insects and tiny creatures. Here are just four of them. Complete the sentences below, using words from the bottom of each box.

Leaf-cutting ants



Leaf-cutting ants live on the floor. They use their sharp jaws to cut up pieces of They make tiny piles of from the leaves. They feed on the which grow on this compost.

(leaf, fungi, compost, forest)

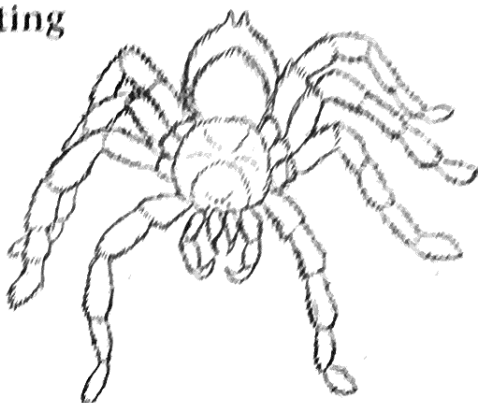
Centipede



Centipedes are fierce They eat other small creatures. Their are laid in soil. When the young hatch they look just like the They have one pair of on each segment of their long, thin body.

(eggs, legs, predators, adults)

Bird-eating spider



Bird-eating spiders live under and in They eat small They kill their prey with from their jaws.

(holes, poison, logs, birds)

Scorpion



Scorpions have a sting at the end of their It is used to protect them from predators. The is also used to small animals, which the scorpion then eats. Scorpions hunt at

(kill, night, sting, tail)

Write the meanings of the words **predator** and **prey** in your glossary.

Which of the creatures above is not a predator?