

Ant Adventure



Introduction

This would be an ideal "Story Inspiration" to use when exploring mini-beasts. Children have a fascination with mini beasts and ants are particularly interesting. Try getting hold of an ant farm.

Have you ever watched an ant running across the path, or through the grass? They always look in a hurry and they always seem to know exactly where they are going all the time.

It must be strange to be that small. If you tried to stop an ant with your finger, I wonder what the ant might think it was. You would be TOO big for the ant to see.

We can walk across the grass without thinking about it but for an ant it would be quite an adventure. Even a blade of grass would be higher than a tree.

Imagine that you were playing with a football on the grass. For the ant the thump of the ball and the noise of footsteps would be like a HUGE earthquake.

If an ant went on adventure across a small garden she might have a real adventure to tell.

Did you know ants are very strong? They can carry eggs, or bits of leaf that are MUCH bigger than them. Ants are very good builders and make fantastic mazes of nests under the ground.

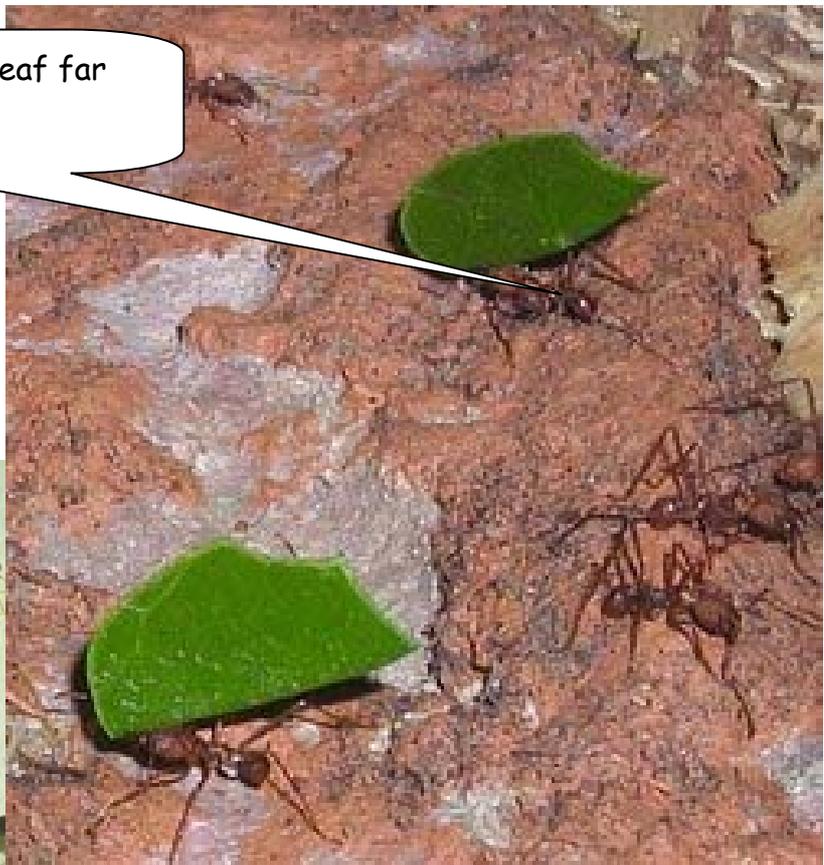
It might be very interesting to be able to talk to an ant.
Happy story making

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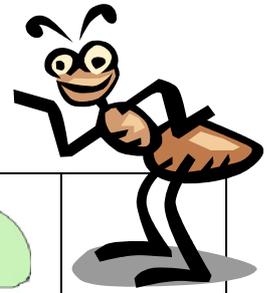


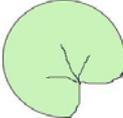
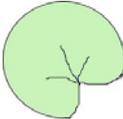
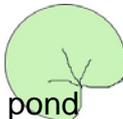
This is a picture of an underground ant's nest. You can see the eggs that are bigger than the ants

The ants can carry pieces of leaf far bigger than themselves



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Plan a path for your ant through the garden.

Make one safe path. Your ant can move forward, left and right. It cannot move diagonally.

Fill in all the other squares with the dangers your ant might face.

There might be rocks or water or spiders!

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What would the world look like to you if you were as small as an ant?

The grass would seem like a deep and dangerous jungle.

- The grass stalks must seem like a forest of sharp green trees.
- Dandelions must seem like dim yellow suns.
- A small puddle would seem like a great lake
- A rock would be like a bare stony hill.
- Footsteps would be like earthquakes
- Meeting a frog or a spider would be like bumping into a monster.

For an ant, walking across the grass would be a real adventure.



Story Ideas

Will you tell the story from the point of view of an ant?

Will you pretend to be an ant or another mini-beast?

What do you call yourself?

Where do you live?

What is your world like?

What amazing journey did you make?

What did you see?

What did you meet?

What did you find?

What did you bring back?

Are you a famous ant now?

Where do you plan to explore next?

