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Note to Grown-ups

Learning lots of new words is a wonderful aid for young children's language development. A wide vocabulary also helps children to explore and understand the world around them as they grow and learn. Reading the words while looking at the pictures together creates a valuable learning experience.

This book includes new words as well as familiar ones. Even grown-ups might not know some of the words, and there is a pronunciation guide at the end of the book to help.

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In this book you will find **50 words** about **bugs**, which is the name most people give to **insects** and other **minibeasts** such as **spiders** and **centipedes**. Bugs are really a special type of insect, and we will meet one of them later on.

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Grasshoppers, ants and dragonflies are also insects.

An insect's skeleton is on the outside! It's called an **exoskeleton**. Larvae hatch out of the eggs.

Insects lay **eggs**. These are ants' eggs.