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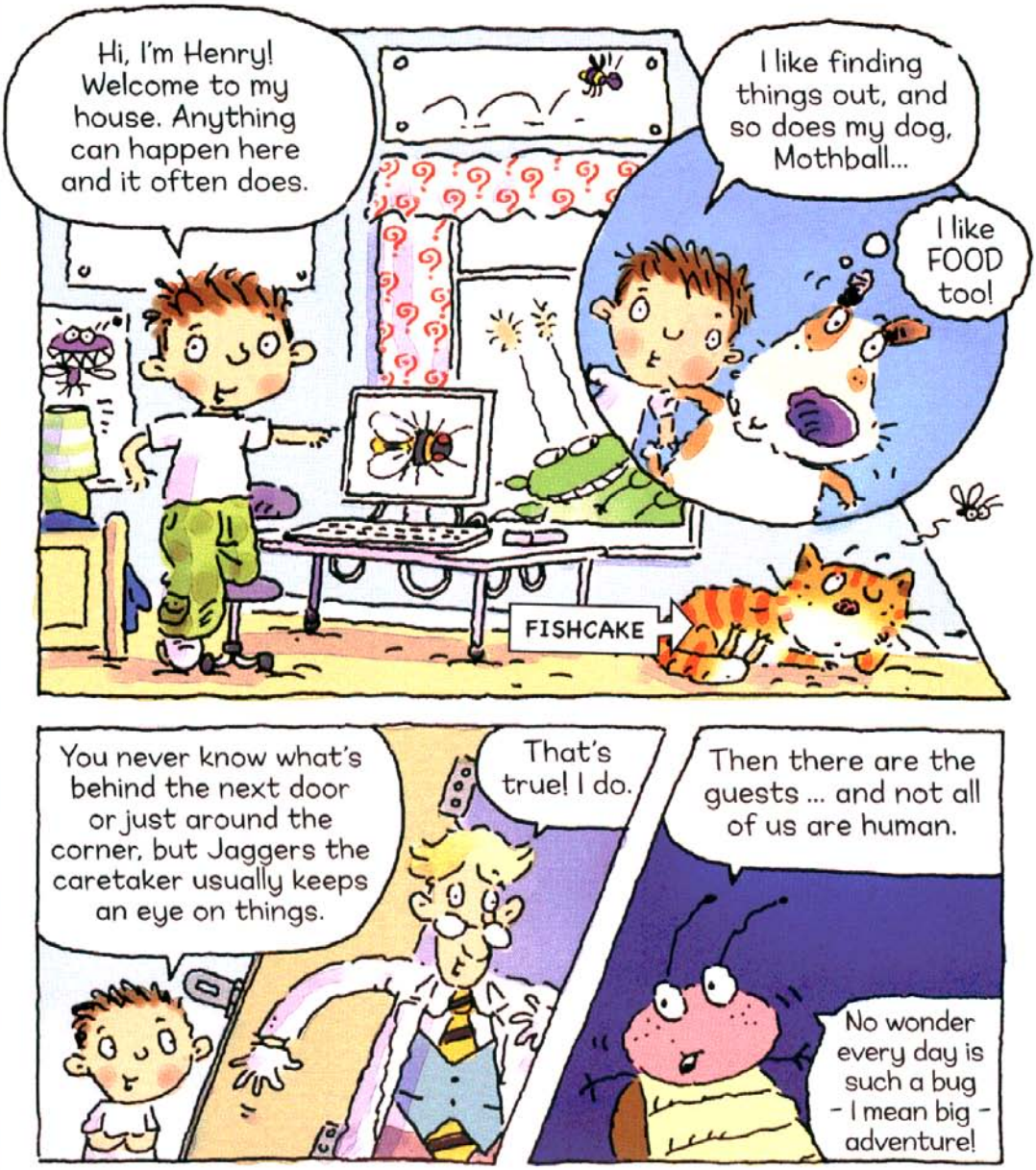
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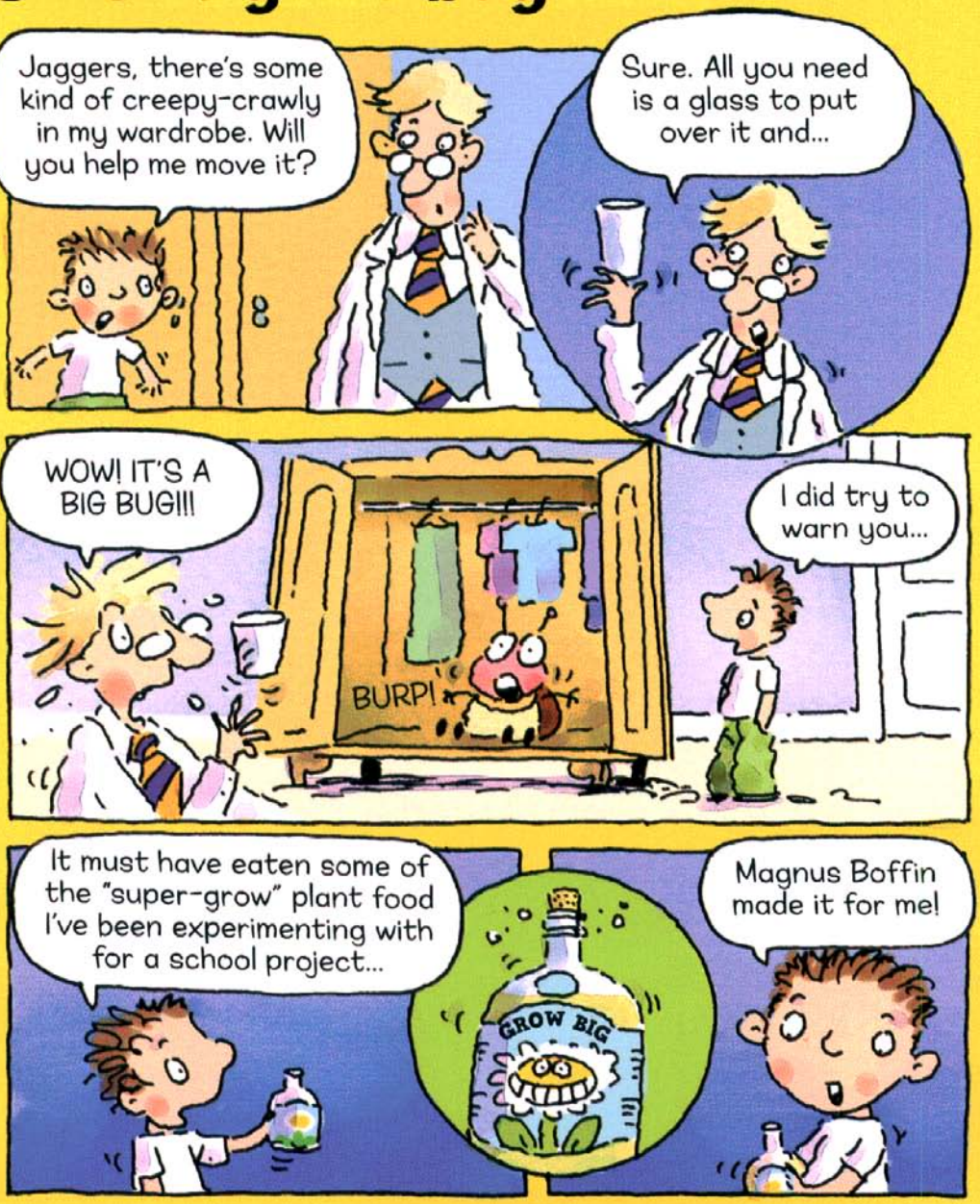
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Welcome to Henry's House!

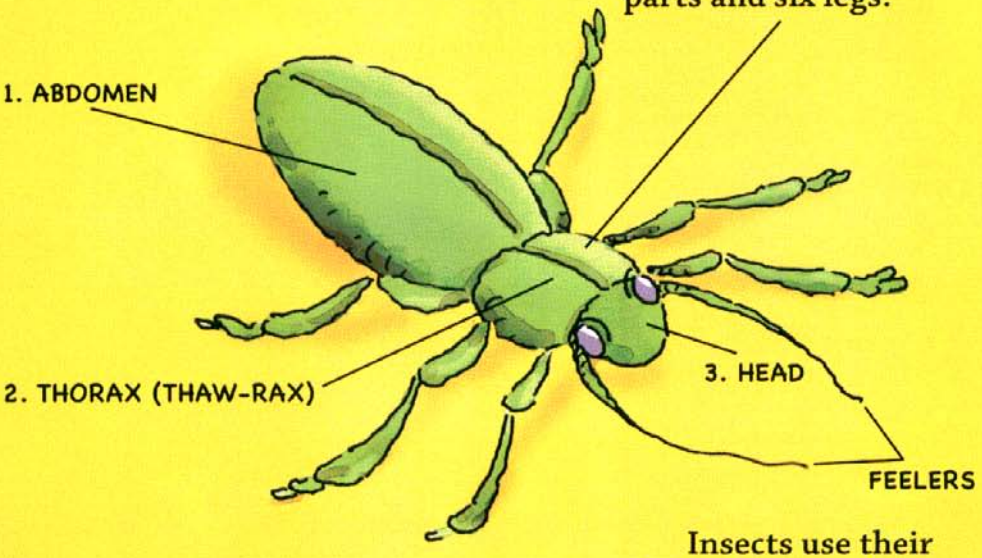


Catching the bug



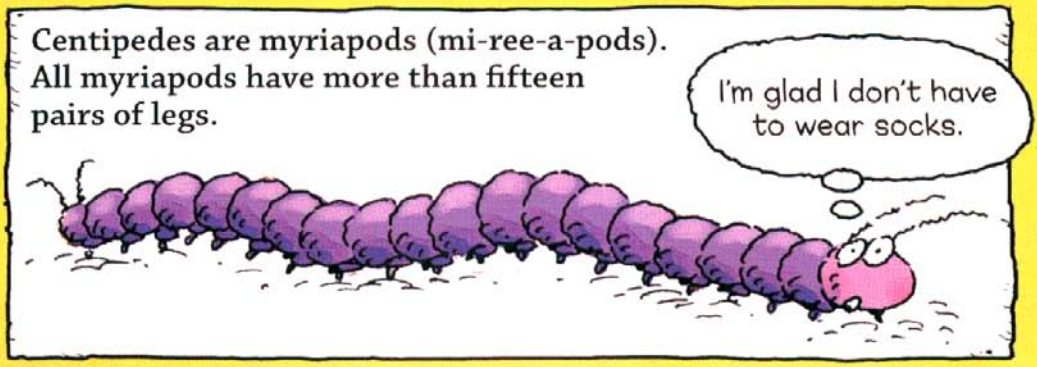
There are lots of different kinds of creepy-crawly. Most are members of three main groups: insects, arachnids and myriapods. There are many different kinds of creepy-crawly in each group.

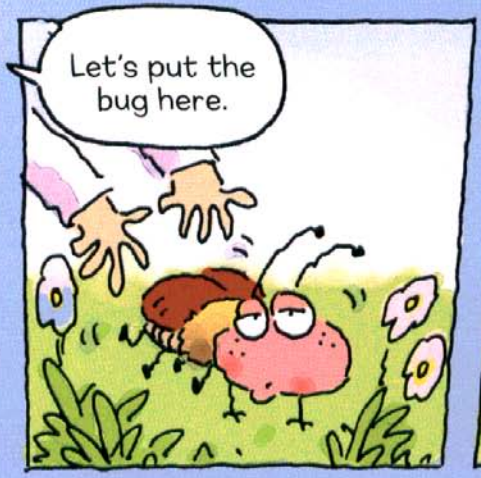
This is a bug. A bug is a kind of insect. All insects have three main body parts and six legs.



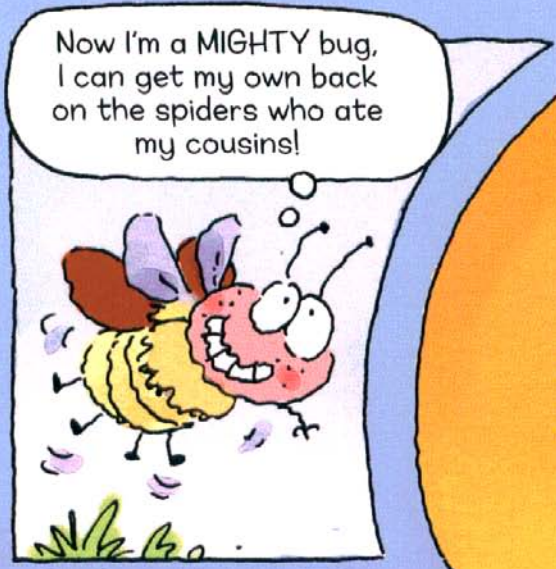
Insects use their feelers for smelling, touching and tasting.

Centipedes are myriapods (mi-ree-a-pods). All myriapods have more than fifteen pairs of legs.




Let's put the bug here.


As long as he sticks to eating leaves, we'll get on just fine...
I think he likes me.


Now I'm a MIGHTY bug, I can get my own back on the spiders who ate my cousins!


What's the difference between insects and spiders?

Spiders are arachnids (a-rack-nids). They only have two body parts and eight legs. Insects only have six.

1. CEPHALOTHORAX (SEFF-ALLO-THAW-RAX)

2. ABDOMEN

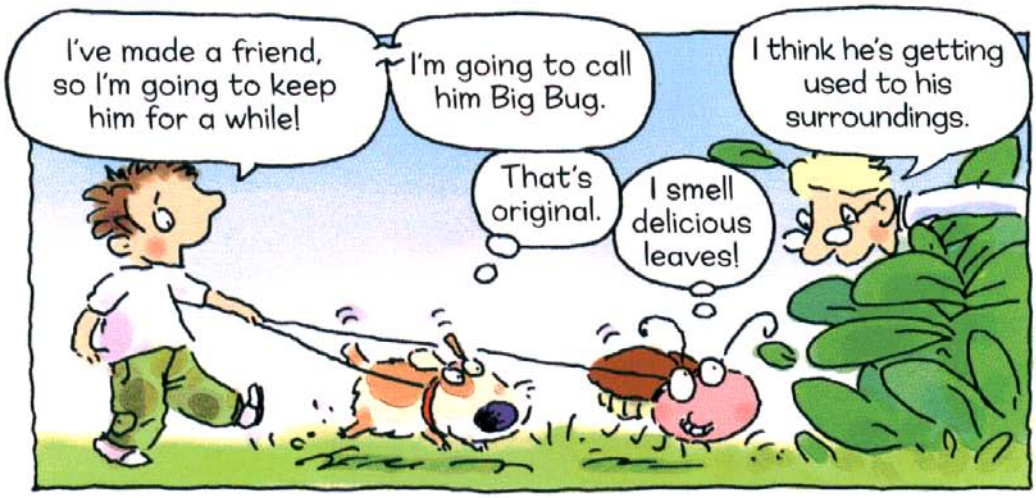
Spiders don't see better than humans, although most of them have eight eyes.

And I'm short-sighted...

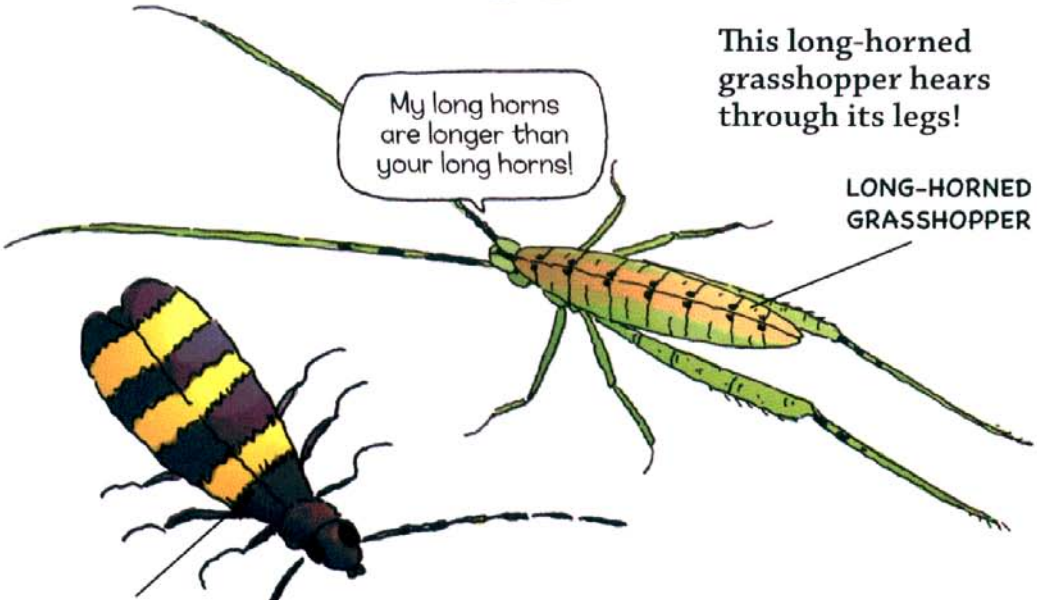
Woodlice are another kind of creepy-crawly called crustacea (crust-ay-sha).

Crabs and lobsters are crustacea too.

A bug's-eye view



This long-horned grasshopper hears through its legs!



These insects get their names from their long feelers.