Most Welcome



Do you recognize this insect? Chances are you do. It's a ladybug (also called a "ladybird" or "lady beetle").

Most people know what a ladybug looks like. Their red wings and small black spots are easy to remember. And if you forget, it's usually not long until you are reminded. Did you know there are more than 5,000 species found all around the world?

Most people think ladybugs are good insects and do not mind having them around. They are nice to look at. Plus they eat pests in gardens, agricultural fields, and orchards. Some species of ladybugs, however, are not so welcome. The *Epilachninae* species is one of them. Unlike most ladybugs, Epilachninae do not feed on pests. Instead, they feed on plants. Epilachninae can have a devastating effect on farms that grow grain, potatoes, beans, and other crops.

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Which of the following sentences best summarizes the information given in paragraph 3?

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A. Most ladybugs eat pests.

B. There are over 5,000 species found around the world.

C. Epilachninae ladybugs can have a devastating effect on farms.

D. Ladybugs are nice to look at.

E. Most ladybugs are good, but some are actually harmful.

What is NOT a name for a ladybug?

What is easy to remember about ladybugs?

What don't Epilachninae eat?

Why don't people like Epilachninae?

What is the purpose of the text?

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