

CHAPTER 17 ANT-THE TINY WARRIORS

True/False Questions

1. Shepherd ants hunt other insects. (True / False)
2. Ants use their feelers to tap on each other's heads when requesting food. (True / False)
3. Farmer ants are also called umbrella ants because they carry leaves like umbrellas. (True / False)
4. The queen ant leaves the nest to find her own food. (True / False)
5. Military ants make temporary nests and stay in one place. (True / False)

Fill in the Blanks

1. Ants have _____ stomachs.
2. Shepherd ants milk a sweet liquid from _____.
3. Farmer ants grow _____ on beds of chewed leaves.
4. The _____ ants steal food stored by other insects.
5. Nurse ants keep the queen clean by washing her with their _____.

Multiple Choice Questions

1. What do shepherd ants do with cow-bugs?
 - a) Hunt them for food
 - b) Milk them for a sweet liquid
 - c) Use them to build nests
2. Why are farmer ants called "umbrella ants"?
 - a) They build nests shaped like umbrellas

- b) They carry leaves over their heads like umbrellas
- c) They protect their colonies from rain

3. What is the role of nurse ants?

- a) Hunt for food
- b) Clean the queen and care for eggs/babies
- c) Declare war on other ant colonies

4. What grows on the chewed leaves in farmer ants' nests?

- a) Flowers
- b) Fungus
- c) Seeds

5. Why are military ants compared to an army?

- a) They wear armor
- b) They are disciplined and march in lines
- c) They build large forts

6. How do ants communicate when they want food?

- a) By making sounds
- b) By tapping with their feelers
- c) By releasing chemicals

7. What do thief ants do?

- a) Grow fungus
- b) Steal food from other insects
- c) Milk cow-bugs

8. Who brings food to the queen ant?

- a) Shepherd ants
- b) Worker ants
- c) Nurse ants

9. What is the height of some anthills mentioned in the text?

- a) 1–2 inches
- b) 5–6 inches
- c) 10–12 inches

10. What happens when military ants enter a house?

- a) They build a nest
- b) They steal food
- c) Every insect and spider is cleared away