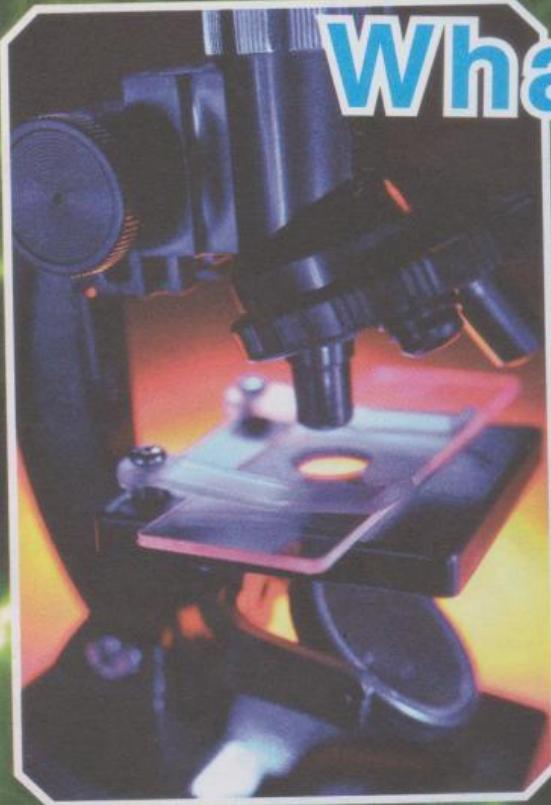


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# What are germs?



They live in you, on you and around you, but you can't see them. What are they? They're germs. Germs are tiny living things. You can see them only through a microscope. Some germs can make you ill, so doctors work hard to learn more about them.



Germs like to live in warm, wet and dark places. They get inside your body through your eyes, mouth and nose, and when you cut yourself.

There is something we can do to stop germs. Don't touch your eyes, mouth or nose with your hands. Germs hate soap and water, so you should always wash your hands before you eat.

