# Roundworms: https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diseases/15240-roundworms

**Directions:** Read the information in the article provided and answer all of the following questions. Be careful to spell your answers correctly so that you get full credit.

Roundworms are _____that live in your _____. They are contagious through contact with infected _____ of people or animals. Roundworms can also be contracted by contact with infected _____(usually soil and dirt).

## What are roundworms?

Roundworms are parasites that live in your intestine. A parasite is a creature that lives in or on another creature in order to survive. They have long _____ bodies and range in size. Roundworms can live in or on _____, and can cause many problems. They are usually found in soil and _____and can enter the body through the _____ or direct contact with the _____. They can live in the _____ intestine for a very long time. There are several types of roundworms and they can all be quite _____.

## Who gets roundworms?

_____ can get roundworms. _____-stricken individuals living in underdeveloped areas of the world are most susceptible to roundworms. _____-aged children and people who are institutionalized are also susceptible. _____-hygiene practices are a big contributing factor to contracting roundworms. Roundworms grow best in _____ to hot climates, so people in these climates need to be extra aware of the symptoms of roundworms.

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Click and drag the correct type of worm to match the description below.

Ascariasis Hookworm Whipworm Pinworm

Strongyloidiasis Trichinosis

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| | Passed by human feces onto the ground. Transmitted by walking barefoot on contaminated soil. |
| | Caused by undercooked pork, sausage, walrus and bear meat. Causes serious problems in muscle fibers. |
| | Mostly transmitted through poor hygiene. It is usually found in human feces and transmitted from hand to mouth. |
| | Transmitted when female worm deposits eggs in and around the anus. Most common of all parasitic roundworm infections. |
| | Contracted by coming in contact with it on your hands. Third most common roundworm to infect humans. |
| | Acquired through direct contact with contaminated soil. Enters through the skin and then makes its way to the intestines. |

Are roundworms contagious?

Can you get roundworms from your pets and other animals?

How can you prevent roundworms? Summarize (answer in complete sentences and DO NOT COPY AND PASTE)

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