



Spiders

Did you know that spiders are not insects? They are actually called Arachnids, a group of animals related to insects that have eight legs and that have venom. There are many different kinds of spiders. They live all over the world and can be found in just about every habitat. Most like dark places, which may include your home, closets, or basement!

Spiders are very interesting. Some spin silk webs to catch and eat prey, while others attack their prey. Some spiders, like tarantulas, are large enough to eat lizards and mice! Many people are afraid of spiders because they bite. Most spiders, however, will only bite if they think they are danger and most are harmless. Spiders are actually helpful to people because many eat insect pests like cockroaches and mosquitoes.

1.) Spiders have _____ legs.

2.) Which is NOT true about spiders?

- A. Some spiders attack their prey.
- B. All spiders are dangerous.
- C. Spiders like dark places.
- D. Spiders are actually helpful to people.

3.) Spiders are....

- A. related to insects
- B. tarantulas
- C. all harmful
- D. insects

4.) Why are spiders helpful to people?

- A. They live all over the world.
- B. They eat insect pests.
- C. Some eat lizards.
- D. They have eight legs.

5.) What question is NOT answered in the passage?

- A. Where would I find a spider?
- B. How long do spiders live?
- C. How many legs do spiders have?
- D. What do spiders eat?