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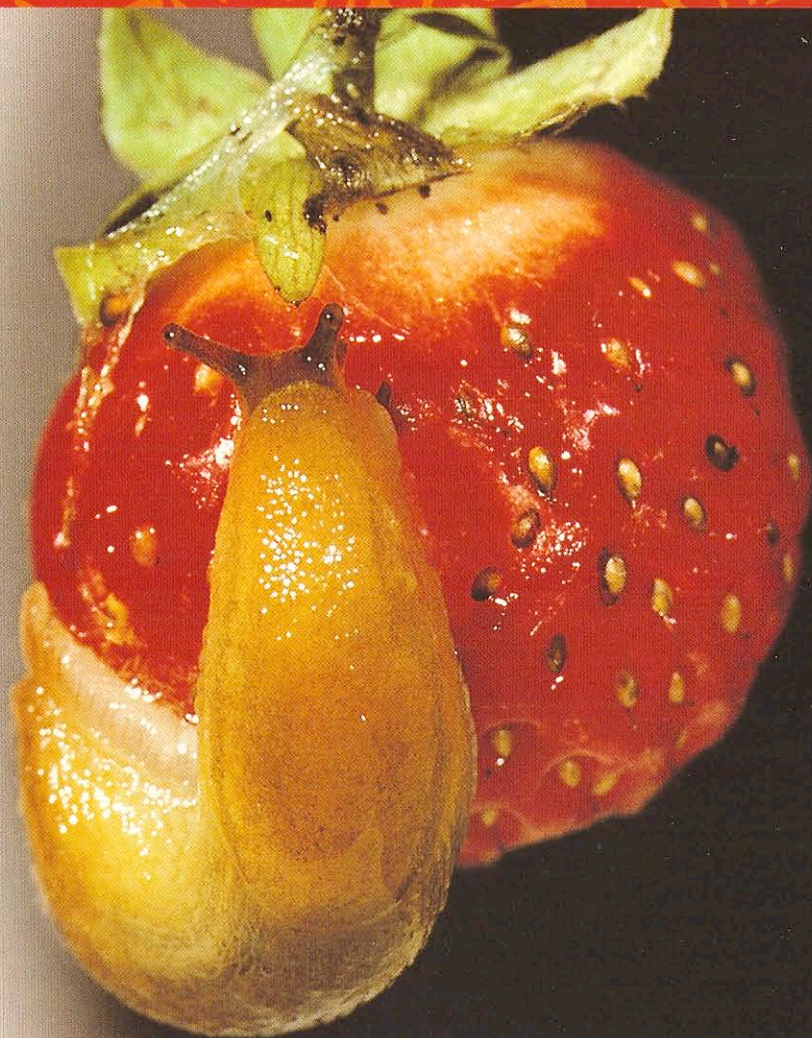
These are not fleshy fingers. They are the fleshy feelers of a very slimy animal. And they are looking right at you!



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Slugs are snail-like animals without shells. Their tiny eyes are on the ends of their feelers, or tentacles.

Slugs glide along on a layer of slime, looking for good things to eat. They like strawberries and many other tasty plants. If you like strawberries, you should eat them before the slugs do!



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No wonder its face is dirty!
This animal spends most
of its time worming its way
through the earth.

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It is an earthworm! Earthworms have no eyes, no nose, and no ears. But they have a mouth. They eat dead plants and animals in the garden. Their waste makes the soil very rich, so more things can grow.

They also loosen the soil so air can get in, and water can drain away. Earthworms do very important jobs in the garden.



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Is it a star or is it a nose?
Or is it a starry nose?



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It's a star-nosed mole!
This mole does not use
its nose to sniff for food.
It uses its nose to feel for food.
The 22 fleshy tentacles
on the mole's nose
help it find juicy worms
and yummy bugs.



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This is not the shining armor
of a knight.

It is the armor of a bug
who wants its enemies
to "bug off."



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A sow bug has hard little plates that help protect it from predators. Sow bugs live in dark places. In the light they quickly scurry away, looking for a dark place to hide.

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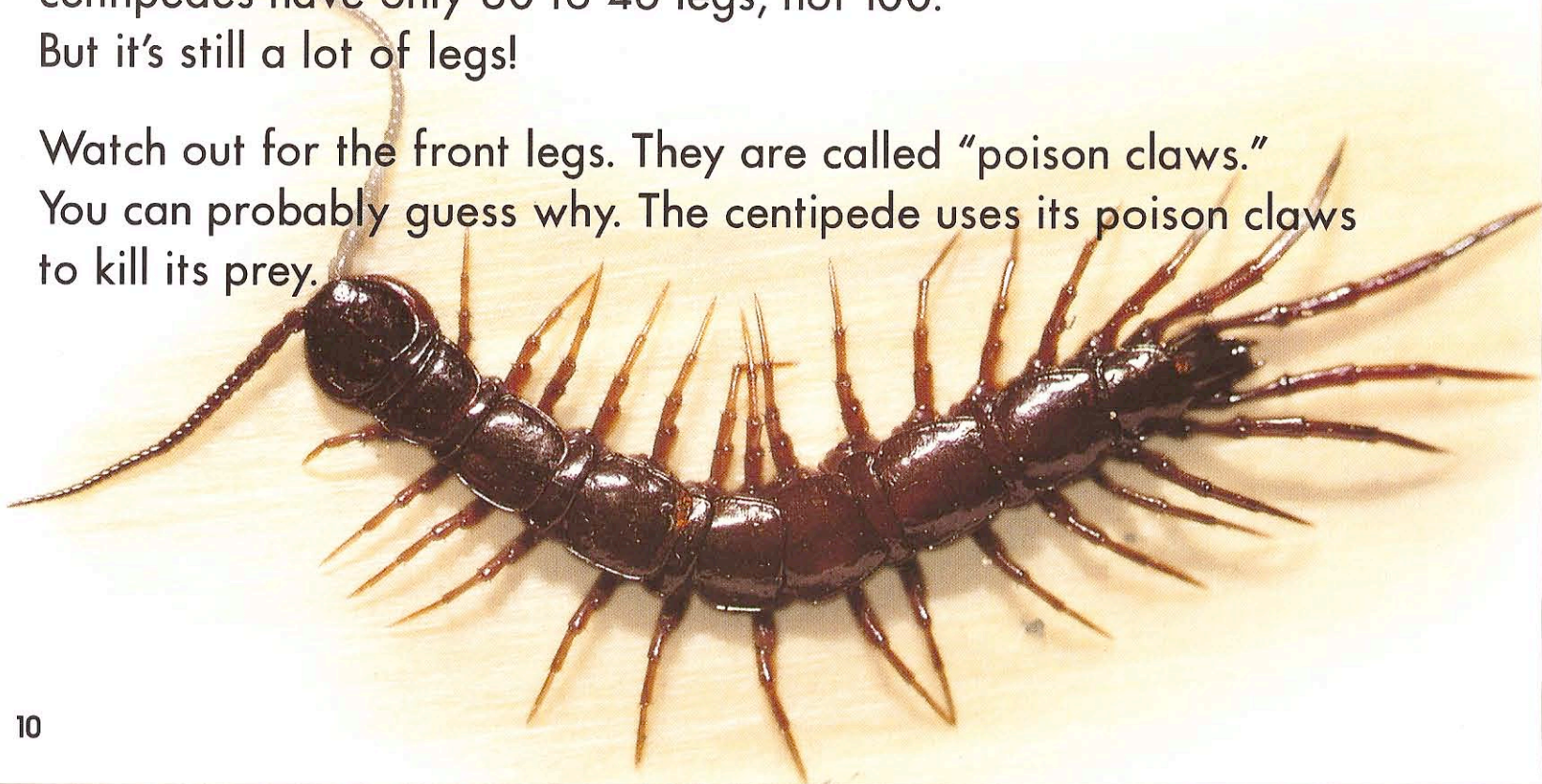
Legs, legs, and more legs. Some people think this creepy-crawlie has a hundred legs.



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It's a centipede. The word "centipede" means "one hundred legs." Most centipedes have only 30 to 46 legs, not 100. But it's still a lot of legs!

Watch out for the front legs. They are called "poison claws." You can probably guess why. The centipede uses its poison claws to kill its prey.





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You can find these shiny brown ridges on something that grows in forests and other damp places. You may have to get on your hands and knees to see them.

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They are gills of a mushroom.
Gills make thousands
of tiny spores.
The spores grow
into more mushrooms.

Never eat a wild
mushroom because
some mushrooms
are poisonous.

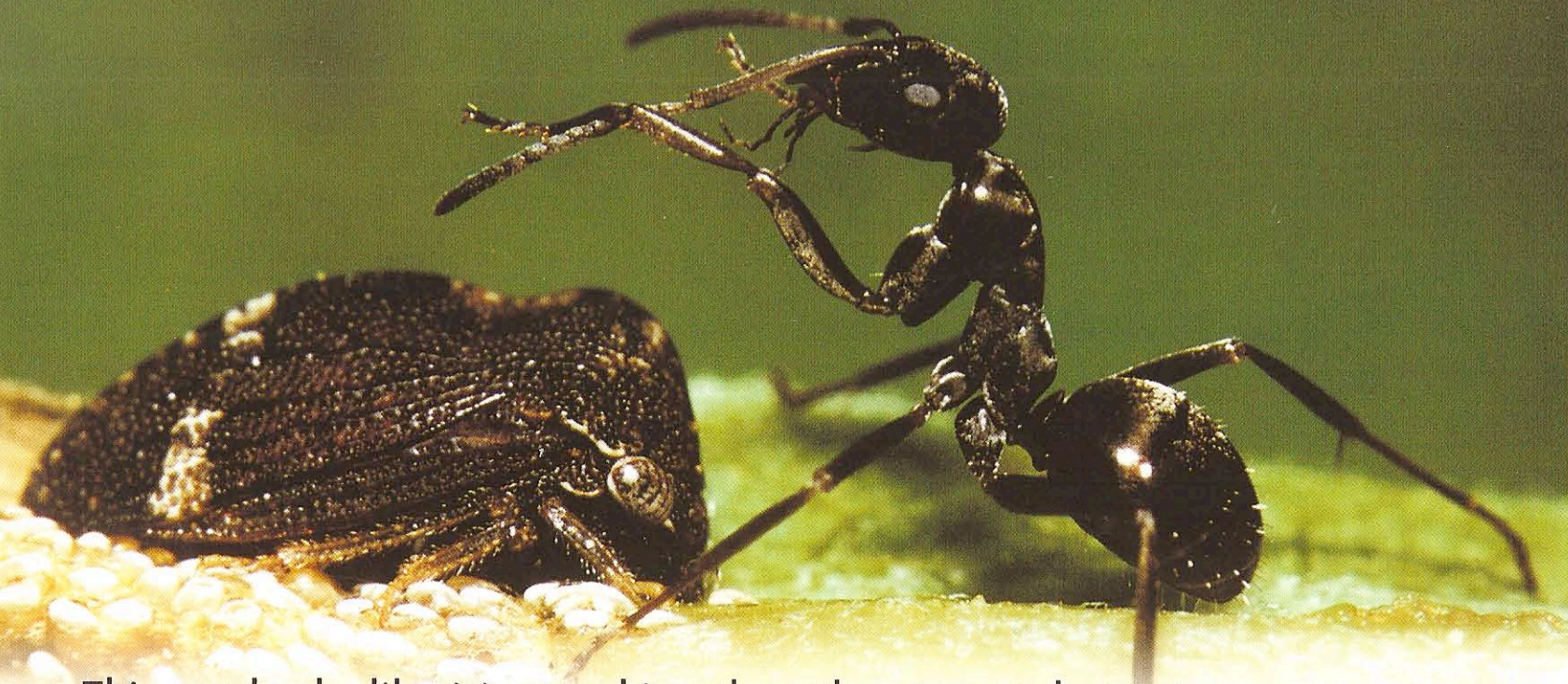


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It's small, it's black,
it's f-ANT-astic!

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This ant looks like it's attacking the other insect, but it is not. The other insect is a treehopper. The treehopper makes a sweet liquid that ants like to drink. We say the ant is "milking" the treehopper.

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B.



C.



D.



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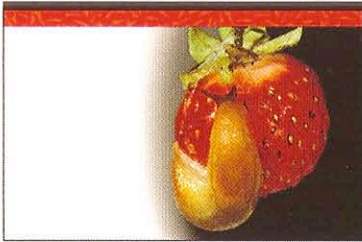
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Look closely. Can you name these plants and animals?

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A. Slug



B. Earthworm



C. Star-nosed mole



D. Sow bug



E. Centipede



F. Mushroom



G. Ant

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