

- A. Read the questions that Mandy asks the little earthworm. Choose the correct answer to each question and fill in the blanks with the letters representing the answers.

QUESTIONS



1. How many of you live in one square metre of grassland?
2. What is the longest that you can grow to be?
3. What do you eat?
4. During the day, we don't see you. Where are you?
5. Where do you go when the weather gets cold?
6. What do you do to help the Earth?
7. How far below ground do you prefer to live?
8. If we froze you, could we thaw you out and see you alive?

Science Fun

An earthworm has one head but five hearts. If an earthworm loses its head, it can grow another one to replace it!



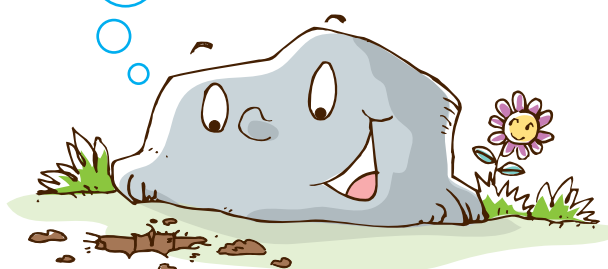


ANSWERS

1.
 - a 7
 - b over 200
 - c none
2.
 - b 4 cm
 - r almost 7 m
 - l 100 000 m
3.
 - i soil
 - m potatoes
 - k candies
4.
 - n in the mall
 - c in the trees
 - s in the soil
5.
 - u Florida
 - a heated hotels
 - t deeper underground
6.
 - l help put air and water into the soil
 - t buy cars
 - e plant wheat
7.
 - a just below the surface
 - e 90 to 120 cm below ground
 - p a and e
8.
 - s Yes, as long as the freezing happened slowly.
 - k No, how dare you ask such a question.
 - t Yes, but make it fast.

Earthworms have tiny

_____ on each segment of their bodies to help them move.



B. Some animals spend a lot of their time underground. Find out what animal is described in each poem.

Underground Animals



You make a little hole,
And eight-legged you lay.
Pop out of your door
You ambush your prey!

You're a _____ .



Build a town underground,
And there you will stay
Till another prairie critter
Moves in while you're away!

You're a _____ .



You're a tiny bulldozer
With a little pink snout.
Your long wide claws
Really push the dirt about!

You're a _____ .

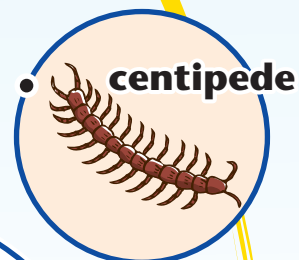
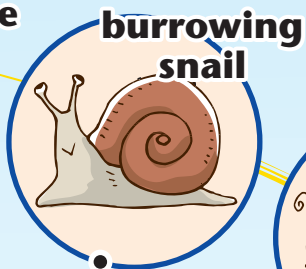
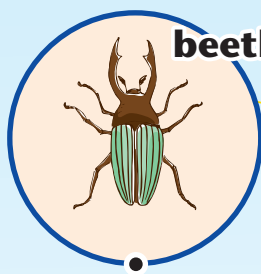


Backwards, backwards
You dig into the sand.
You're a dry-land lover
An amphibian so grand!

You're a _____ .



C. What animals live in soil? Draw lines to lead the animals to their underground homes. Then draw another underground animal and write its name in the box.



**HOMES FOR
UNDERGROUND
ANIMALS**

