

Spelling list: Animals, Insects

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ant	An ant is a social insect that lives as part of an organised colony.
bee	A bee is a hairy insect with black and yellow stripes.
butterfly	A butterfly is an insect that typically has a long slender body and bright colourful wings.
centipede	A centipede is an arthropod with a flat body and many legs.
cockroach	A cockroach is a nocturnal creature that is often considered a household pest.
cricket	A cricket is a type of leaping insect known for the chirping noises made by its male species.
dragonfly	A dragonfly is insect with iridescent wings.
spider	A spider is a creature with eight legs that is known for spinning webs.
scorpion	A scorpion is an arachnid of warm dry regions with a long segmented tail ending in a venomous stinger.
flea	A flea is a wingless bloodsucking parasitic insect noted for its ability to leap.
fly	A fly is an insect with a pair of functional wings for flight and a pair back wings for balance.
grasshopper	A grasshopper is a plant-eating insect with hind legs adapted for leaping.
wasp	A wasp has a slender body and a formidable sting.
insect	An insect is a small air-breathing arthropod.
ladybug	A ladybug is a small round spotted beetle that usually feeds on aphids and other insect pests.

louse	A louse is a wingless bloodsucking insect parasitic on warm-blooded animals.
millipede	A millipede is an arthropod with a cylindrical body and many pairs of legs.
mite	A mite is a minute arachnid that often infests animals, plants, or stored food.
mosquito	A mosquito is a winged insect whose female has a long proboscis to pierce the skin and suck the blood of humans and animals.