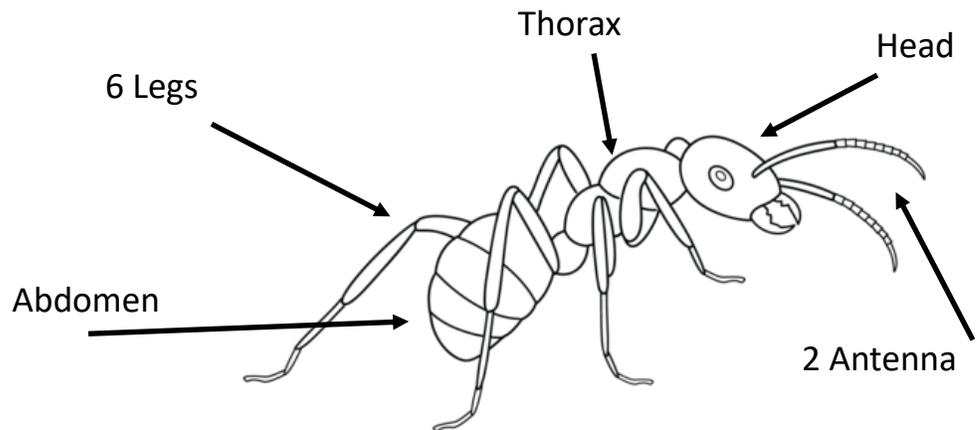




Ants, Ants and More Ants

Did you know, there are more ants on earth than humans? There are 1 million ants for every human on earth. Wow! Ants are amazing little insects with important jobs to do. [View a video of ants!](#)



LESSON

Ants are important:

- Ants clean up the dead plants and animals. Without them we would be surrounded by dead things. Yuk.
- Ants are a food source for birds, bears, other insects and humans. In other countries people eat ants. I wonder what they taste like?

Ants are Amazing:

- Ants do not have ears. They listen by feeling vibrations on the ground.
- Antarctica is the only place ants do not live.
- Ants will farm aphids, scale bugs, and mealy bugs to get the sweet honeydew they make.



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A great place at Wetlands Park to do today's activity: **Vern's Pond**

Ants live in a colony and every ant has a job.

Queen - Her job is to lay eggs

Soldiers—they protect the colony, and kill food.

Workers - tend the eggs, larvae, and pupae. They also take care of the nest and find food.

Find an ant hill, get comfortable and watch. Record your observations.



ACTIVITY

What color are they? Any interesting markings on them?	
Measure one if you can. Are there different sized ants in this colony?	
Are the ants doing different jobs? How do you know?	

Takeaway... Use Google to search for ant matching the description above.

What species of Ant did you find? [Click here to answer.](#)

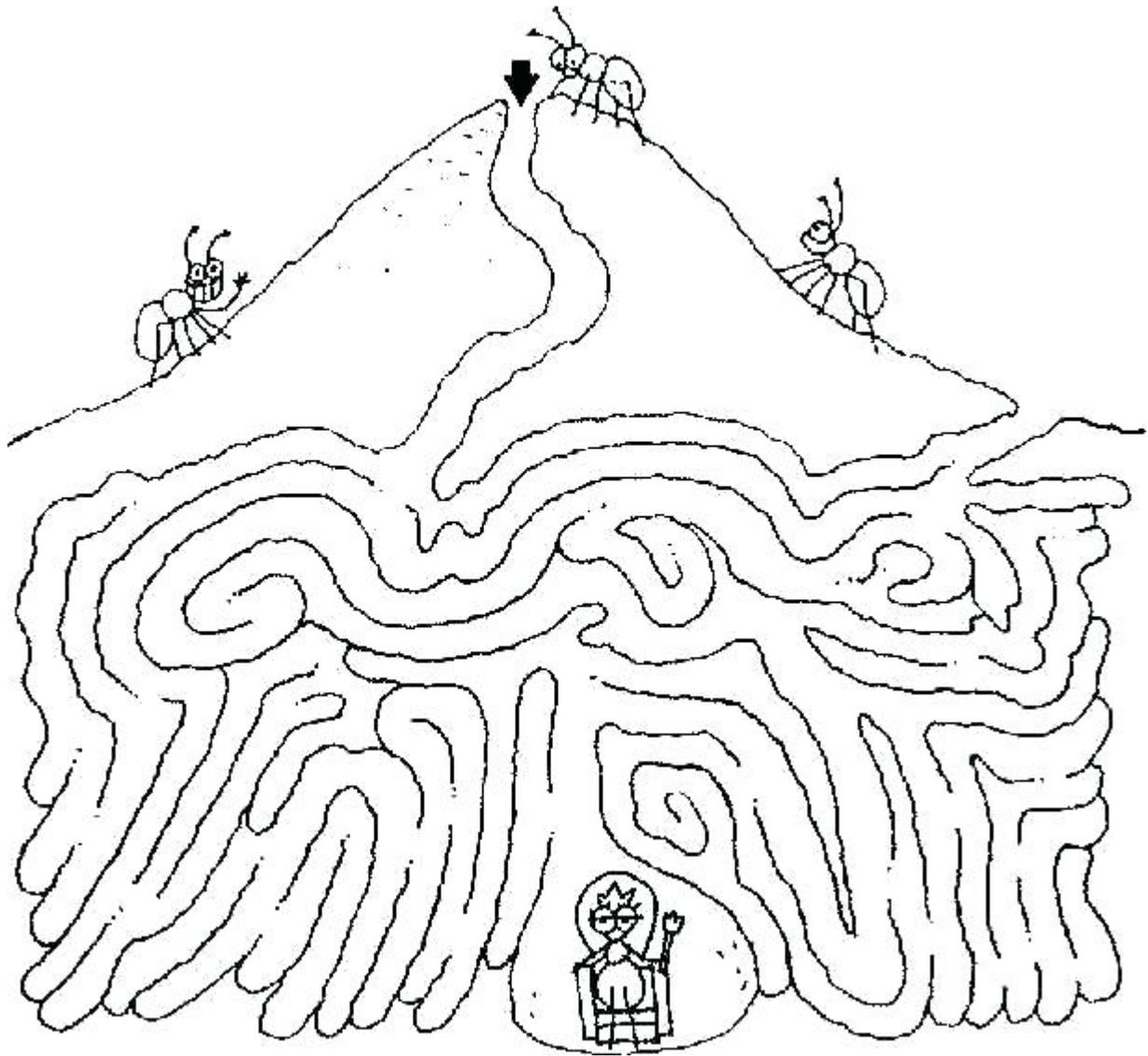


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Just for Fun

Help the worker ants get to the Queen Ant.



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