

THE SWEET PEA VINE



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Hey Little



Little Love Bug! Did you know...

Bugs roll deep! There are over 1.5 million bug species on the planet. That's 3 times the number of all other critters, including you and me, combined!

Our food cycle depends upon pollination and insects, especially beetles, are heavy lifters! Beetles pollinate 88% of the world's plants!

Busy bees make yummy honey and soothing beeswax. And, a bee's wings beat 190 times a second! Wow! That's 11,400 times a minute! No wonder we can hear them hummin'!

Caterpillars have 12 eyes. Might be hard to sneak up on a caterpillar.

Mosquitos are attracted to smelly feet. Just sayin'.

Ants can lift and carry more than fifty times their own weight!

Cydia Saltitari come from the Mexican states of Sonora and Chihuahua. They are fondly known as Mexican Jumping Beans. They are not really jumping beans. They are actually bean moth caterpillars bouncing around in seed pods.

Speaking of jumping... Brett Williams holds the NBA vertical jump record at 65 inches! The meadow froghopper (Philaenus) can jump about 28 inches, which is more than 100 times its height!

Bugs are important recyclers! Bugs consume and recycle plant materials, decaying animals and other waste. Big contribution!

It takes about one hundred Monarch Butterflies to weigh an ounce. Ahhh.

BUGS ARE A WONDERFUL WAY TO SHOW CHILDREN THE WONDERS OF NATURE.

BUGS COME IN ALL SORTS OF INTERESTING SHAPES AND BRIGHT COLORS. THEY HAVE LOTS OF SKILLS AND TRICKS.

BUGS ARE A FUN, ACCESSIBLE GATEWAY TO HELPING CHILDREN UNDERSTAND THE AWESOMENESS OF NATURE.

