

# An ants' nest

## Inside the nest

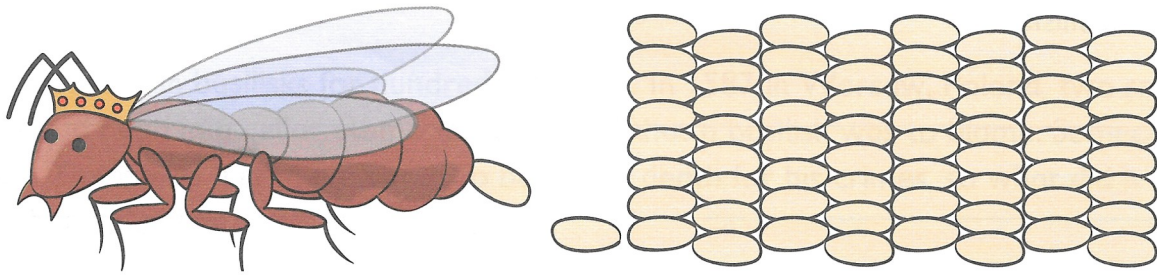
- Tiny tunnels lead into the nest.
- Each nest is a mass of tunnels and rooms.

## Types of ants

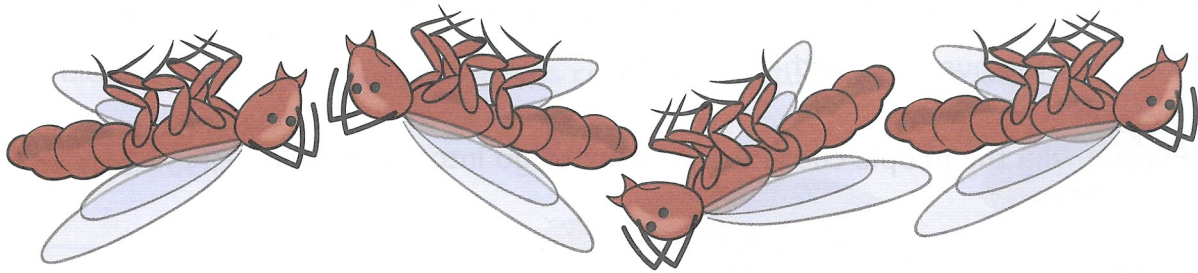
- In every nest there are three types of ant.
- The biggest are the queen ants. Queen ants have wings.
- The big males also have wings, but aren't quite as big as queen ants.
- The small ants are the worker ants, and they don't have wings.

## Who does what?

- A queen ant lives in one room of the nest. She stays in her room all the time and lays hundreds of eggs.



- The big male ants mate with a queen, then die.



- The worker ants collect the food. They feed the young ants, keep the nest clean, and dig more rooms and tunnels as they are needed. They also keep away ants from other nests.

