

Termighty Fun & Games



What's for Dinner?

The main staple of a termite's diet is cellulose. Cellulose is the main building block in plant cell walls. Cellulose helps give plants their structure and shape. Although termites can chew on many types of materials, they can only get their nutrition from **dead** plant material and plant products.

Directions: Circle the items that you might find on a termite's dinner plate.



Spelling with Termites

Practice spelling with termites by re-writing each word 2 times on the lines underneath. You can print your letters or use cursive.

1. Termite

2. Colony

3. Insect

4. Worker

5. Soldier

6. Queen

7. King

8. Nymph

The Mighty Munchers

S E N W I H P M Y N I I
 W T N A E T I H W P F W
 E T I M R E T E T A L A
 S O C I A L I N S E C T
 S N R E I D L O S C M N
 Q U E E N N U R S E R Y
 N D R E K R O W K I N G
 Y L I M A F Y N O L O C



ALATE



QUEEN

COLONY

SOCIAL
INSECT

FAMILY



SOLDIER



KING

TERMITE

NURSERY



WHITE ANT

NYMPH

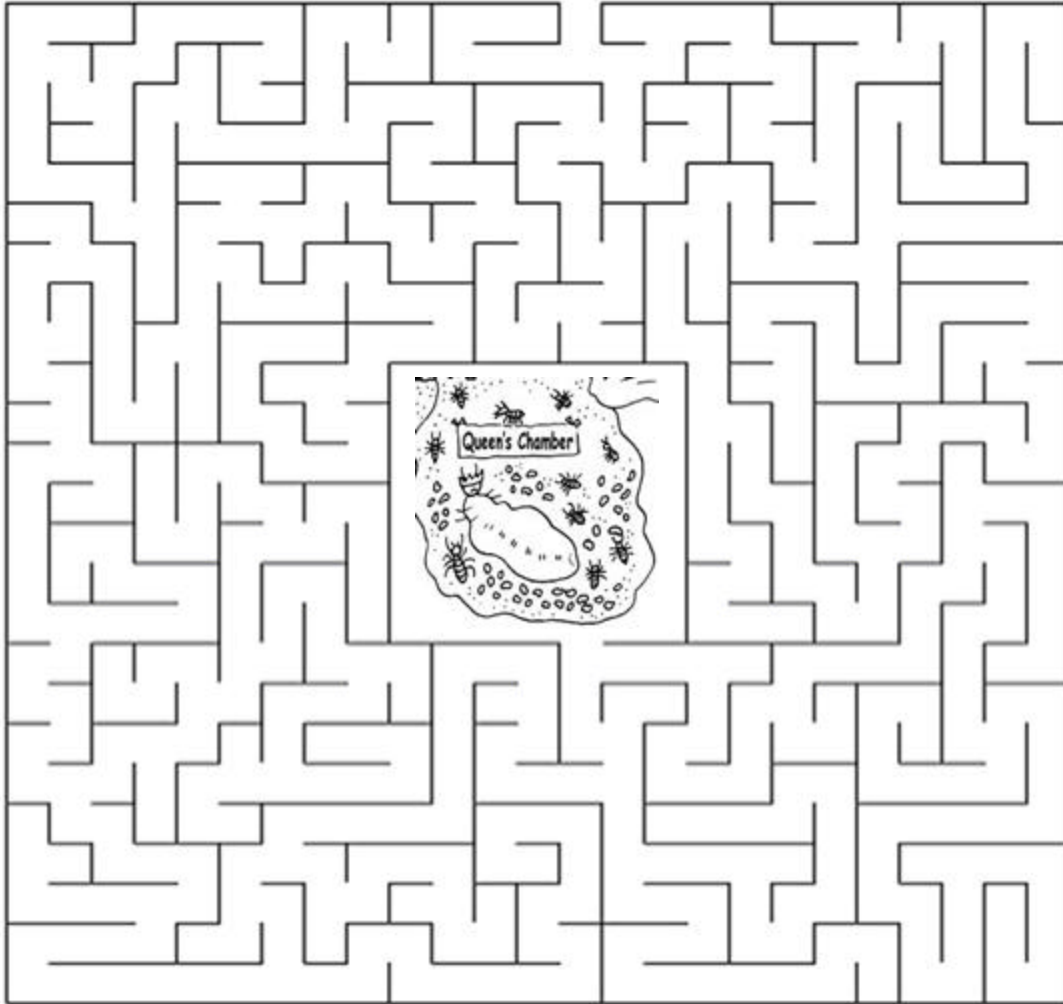
WOOD



WORKER



The Queen's Chamber



The Queen is hungry after a long day of producing eggs. It is the job of her workers to find her food and bring it back to her chamber. The underground tunnels of the colony are often complex and cover large distances sometimes up to the length of a football field, that is 100 yards! This young group of workers could use your help finding their way to the surface and to the Queen's favorite meal.....wood!

Termite Family Scramble



Unscramble each of the termite words, use the hint box if you need help



dloisre _____

taael _____

rokrew _____

nikg _____

uenqe _____

ymhnp _____

locony _____

isncte _____

gegs _____

ertimets _____

Place all the unscrambled termite words into alphabetical order.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

HINT BOX:

Colony

Nymph

Termites

Alate

Eggs

Insect

Worker

Queen

King

Soldier

Where's the Queen?

Find the termites hiding around this house. All the members of the termite family are out and about, even the Queen! Once you have finished, count up each family member and add together to see how many termites you found. Put on your termighty vision and get to work finding those sneaky termites!



Hint: Use different colors for each family member so they are easier to count at the end.

Number of Workers: _____

Number of Soldiers: _____

Number of Alates: _____

Number of Kings: _____

Number of Queens: _____

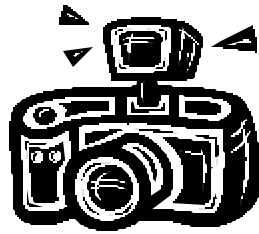
Add together:

_____ + _____ + _____ +

_____ + _____ = _____

My grand total= _____ 😊

Termite Snapshots



Use at least 5 different colors on each snapshot and do not worry about keeping to real life, you can use whatever colors you want!

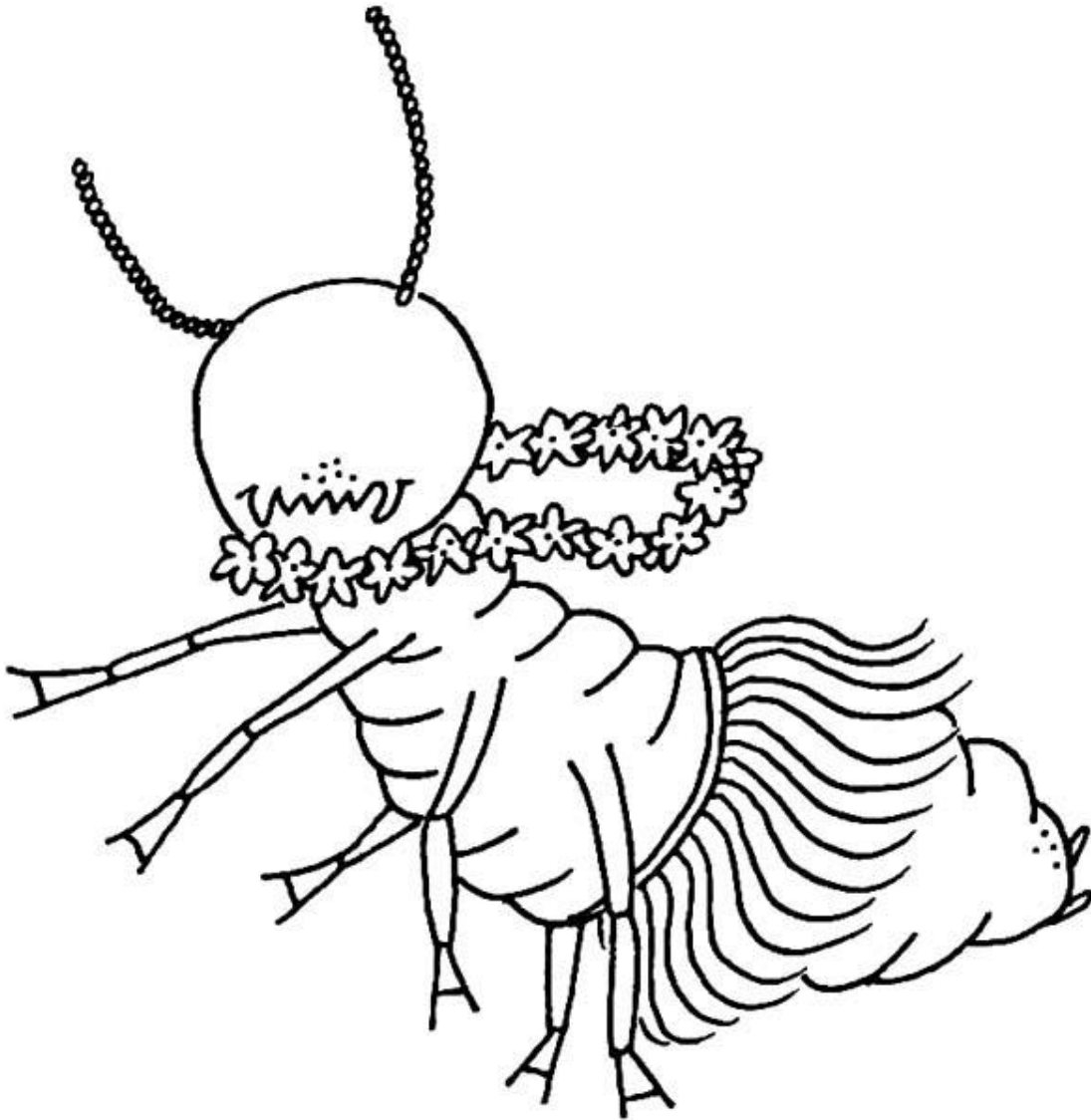
When you are finished read the sentences in the boxes at the bottom of each snapshot to learn more about the termite life. So go grab some colors and get creative!

Name: _____



Alates fly away from the colony to the nearest source of light, find a mate, drop their wings and start new termite families.

Name: _____



Termites like to live in Hawaii, because it is wet and warm all year long.

Name: _____



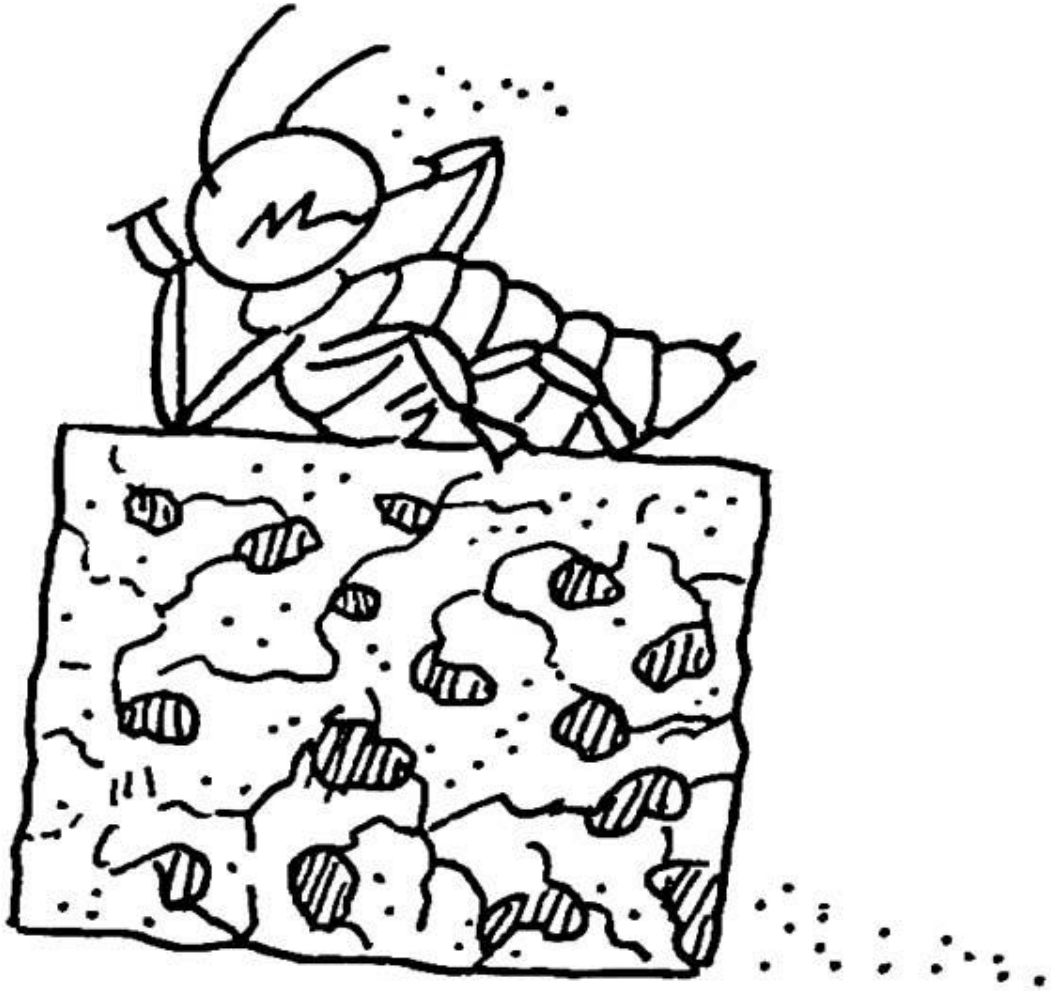
The soldier termite defends the colony from enemies.

Name: _____



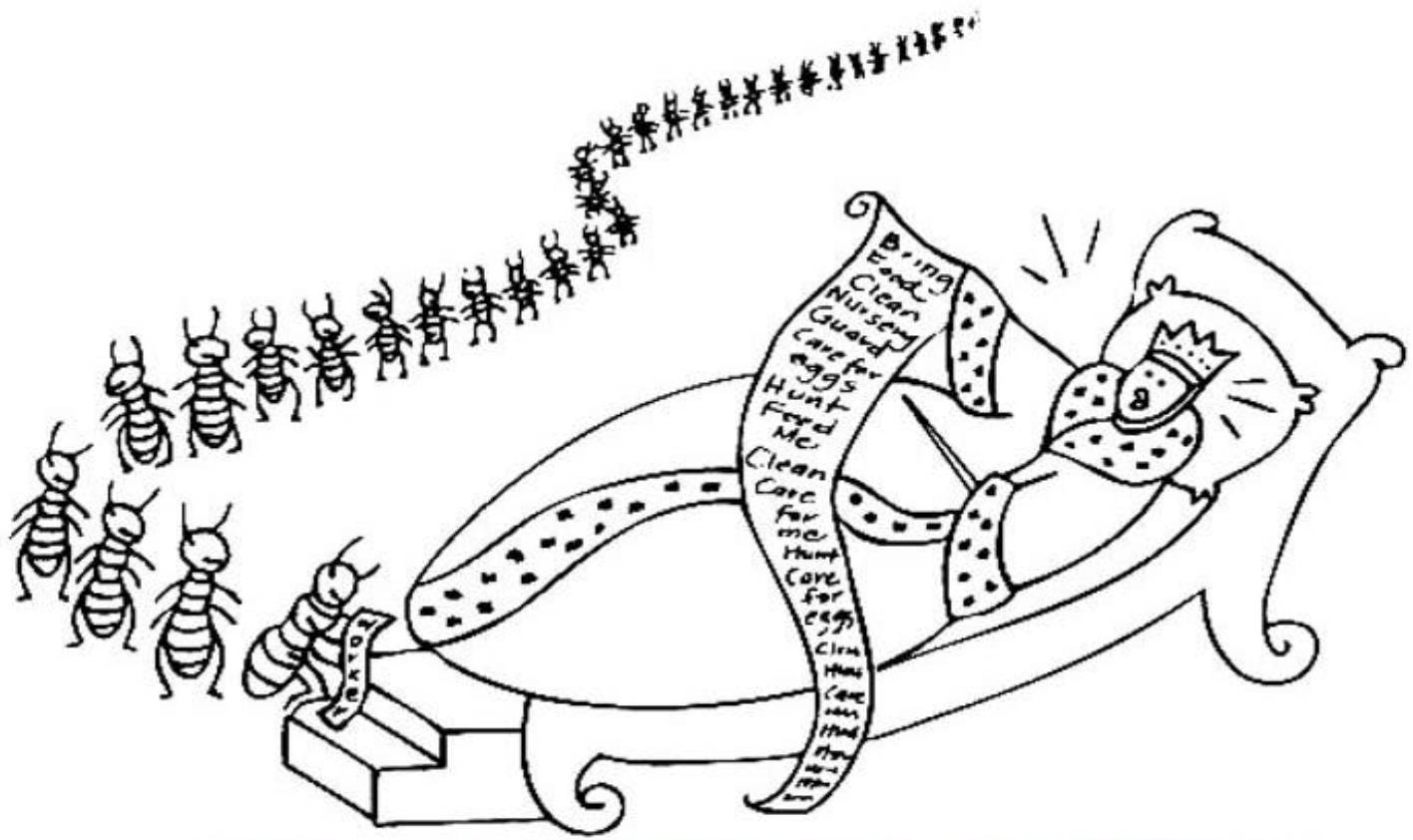
If left alone, ground termites can eat you out of house and home in only a few years!

Name: _____



The worker termite eats wood and is responsible for munching on our human homes.

Name: _____



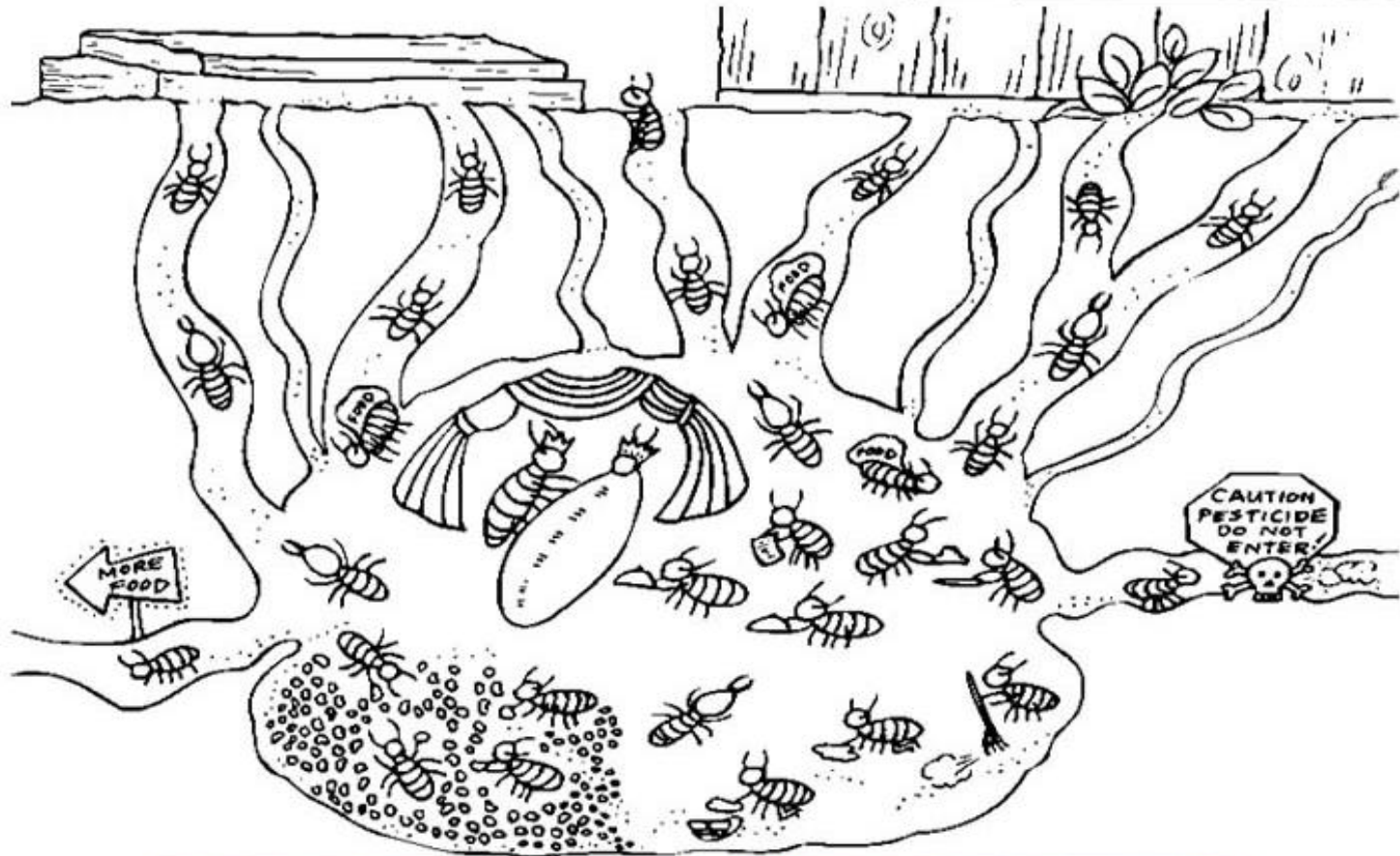
As soon as they are ready, the Queen assigns the nymphs their adult roles.

Name: _____



Nymph is a general word for young insects.
All termites start life as nymphs. Older termite nymphs will do small chores around the colony until they are ready for their adult roles..

Name: _____



Termites are social insects that live and work together in family groups.