

# Looking at insects

**This task is about adding words to a text so that it makes sense.**

The following piece of writing has some spaces where words are missing.

First, read the whole piece of writing through to get an idea of what it is about. Then fill each space with **ONE** word so that the whole piece of writing makes sense. You are able to change answers as you go.

When you have filled in all the spaces, re-read the text to check that the whole piece of writing makes sense.

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There are more than three-quarters of a million kinds of insect and there are many insects of each kind. It's no wonder some of them <sup>1</sup> nuisances and get in our way. <sup>2</sup> have to have food, but some <sup>3</sup> food we want to have for <sup>4</sup>. They eat the grain grown on <sup>5</sup> farms and the vegetables in our <sup>6</sup> and the fruit in our orchards. <sup>7</sup> we find a worm-eaten apple we usually say, "One of our six-legged neighbours <sup>8</sup> here first". However, the "worms" in <sup>9</sup> are not real worms but baby <sup>10</sup> called larvae. Many insects are like <sup>11</sup> when they are young. Some of <sup>12</sup> worm-like baby insects we call caterpillars; <sup>13</sup> we call grubs. Some insects even <sup>14</sup> to our tables and try to <sup>15</sup> food off our plates, like house-flies. <sup>16</sup> insects are our enemies because they harm our forest and garden trees. They <sup>17</sup> eat the leaves, or bore into <sup>18</sup> trunk or roots. Other insects chew <sup>19</sup> in our clothes, and they may <sup>20</sup> our books or sometimes damage the <sup>21</sup> our furniture is made of. But, <sup>22</sup> most harmful insects are those that <sup>23</sup> deadly diseases: flies, fleas, mosquitoes, and lice. <sup>24</sup> are our greatest enemies!

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