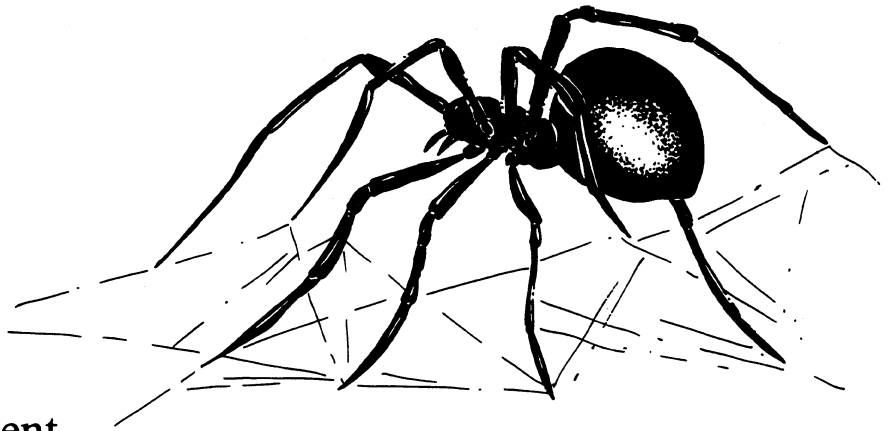


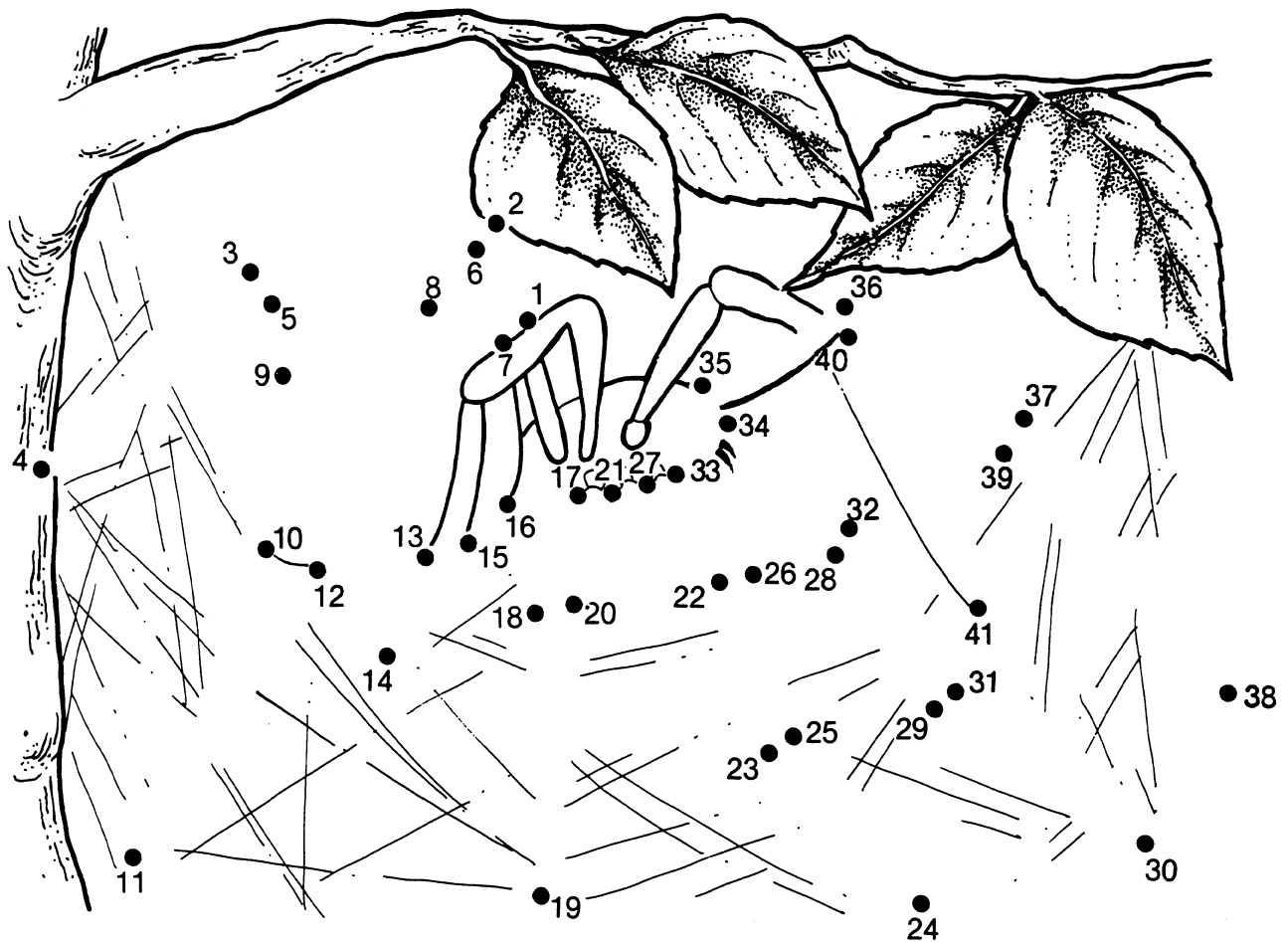
# Black Widow Spider



Spiders belong to a group of animals that scientists call arachnids (uh-RAK-nidz). There are at least 30,000 different types. They can be found all over the world—in houses, gardens and forests.

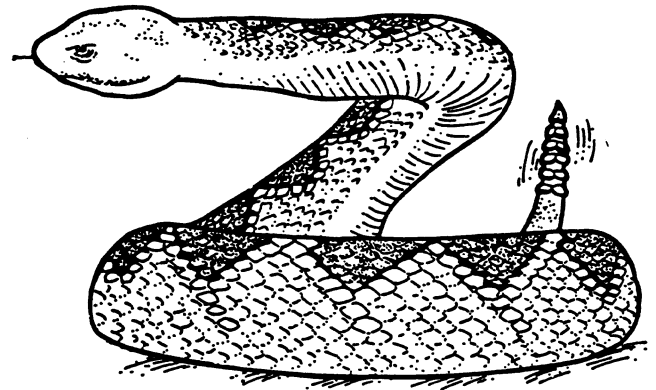
One of the most common kinds of spiders is the dreaded “black widow” spider. It gets its name from the female’s habit of sometimes eating the male after mating. It has a shiny black body with a red mark on its lower abdomen. This mark is in the shape of an hourglass. Be careful not to touch this spider! Its bite is poisonous and can make a human quite sick.

*Follow the dots to find the black widow. Colour the picture.*



# Introduction

“Bugs 'n' Stuff” is one of a series of science books. These books have been designed to enrich children’s lives by sparking interest in reading and learning and by developing basic skills - skills that are important to their success in school.



Children are fascinated by spiders, snakes, lizards and other reptiles and insects they will discover in this book. You’ll find them reading and doing the activities enthusiastically.

The activities present a variety of skills important to learning. Some of these are: classification, finding answers in context, word recognition, following directions, counting, completing definitions, and solving mazes, rebus puzzles and scrambled words.

Of special interest are the mobiles on pages 39-46 which your child can colour, cut, assemble and proudly display. An answer key is also provided on pages 47-48.

You may want to read some of the stories to younger children. Review the activities as they are completed and give your child praise for a job well done! Working along with your child helps make learning fun!

