



All About Earthworms

For Kids

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All over the world, there are more than 2,500 species of earthworms.



Earthworms are invertebrates, which means they have no backbones.



Worms do not have eyes, ears, or a nose like we do. They have specialized sense organs that allow them to distinguish light versus darkness. Their bodies feel vibrations and they breathe through their skin.



Earthworms are usually about 3 to 4 inches long, though some can grow to over a foot long!



The clitellum is the enlarged part of the earthworm that contains the reproductive parts.



An earthworm can hope to live 4 to 8 years.



Earthworms have ring-like segments called annuli on their bodies that have small bristles on them. These small bristles help the worm move and burrow in soil.



Earthworms are herbivores. They eat organic matter, like decaying leaves, and small microorganisms such as bacteria and fungi.



Earthworms live in soil. It is their habitat or home.



Earthworms are a vital part of the food chain. Many animals, including birds, like to eat earthworms.



God gave earthworms an important job. The waste from earthworms, known as worm casts, help fertilize the soil.



Worm casts make healthy soil by depositing partially digested nutrients and minerals.



Worms also break up the soil as they burrow and move. This aerates the soil making it easier for plant roots to grow deeper.

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everything
that hath
breath praise
the LORD.
Praise ye the
LORD.

Psalms 150:6

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