



An Ant Nest

Set 3 (110 words)

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Special words

the, they, into, of, with, she, them, a, stamped,
her, onto

Ann and Pam set up a picnic on the sand. They sat on a rug and had snacks and drinks.

Ants ran on the sand.

The ants crept into the packet of crisps and the packet of nuts. Ants crept onto the melon.

The ants crept into the drinks.

Ann hit the ants with her hands but she did not get rid of them.

Pam stamped on the ants but she did not get rid of them.

Ann and Pam had set up the picnic on an ant nest. They had to pack up the picnic and dump the crisps, nuts, melon and drinks in a bin.

Questions

After reading the text ask students one or more of the following questions. If students are working in pairs, alternate Partner 1, then Partner 2.

- Have you ever seen lots of ants? What type of ants did you see? Where were the ants? What did you think attracted the ants to that spot?
- Where do ants nest? What do their nests look like?
- What would you do if ants crawled on your food?
- Why did the girls throw the drinks and food in the bin?
- What do we mean if we say, 'The story has a moral'? What is the moral, or lesson that can be learnt, from this story. It might begin, 'When you go on a picnic, !'