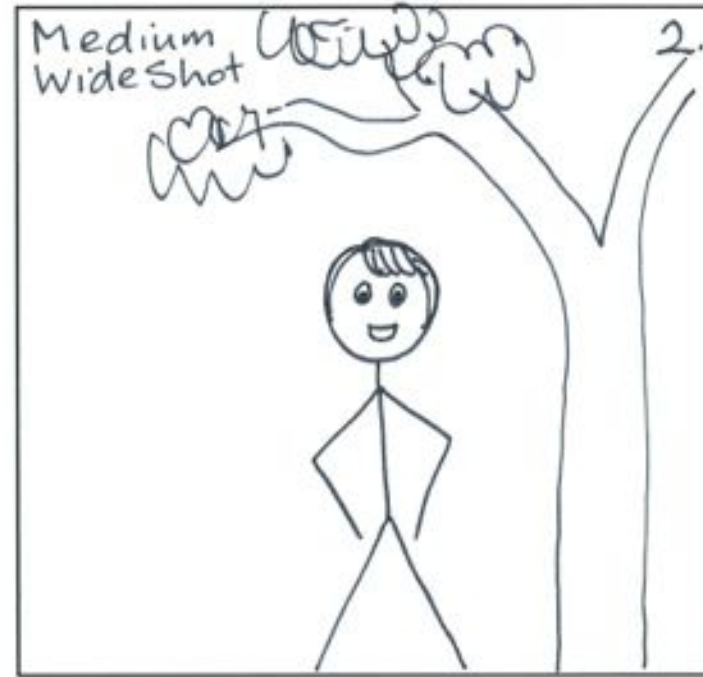
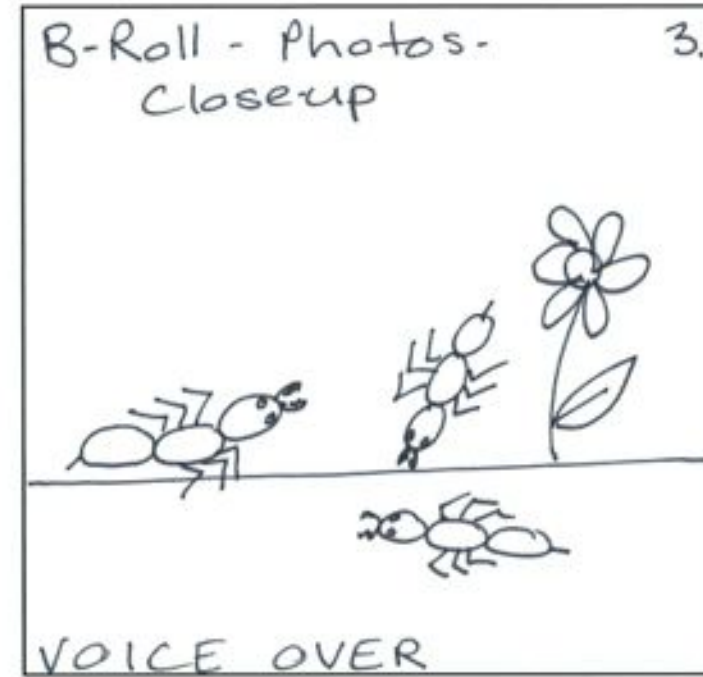


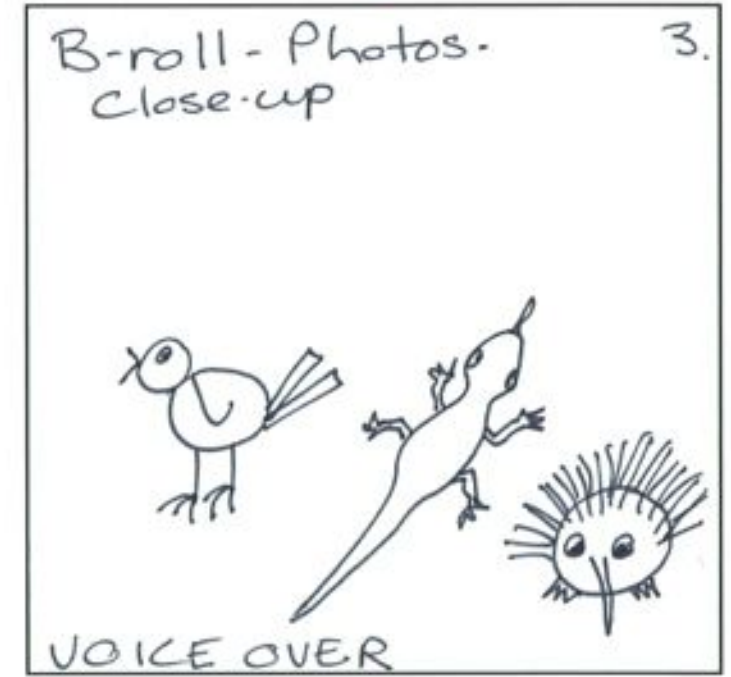
I've been searching all day for ants. Now it's time for me to go and find some.



Here I am at the Field of Mars. Now let's go and look for some ants.



Ants are important. Ants are good for the soil as they add air to it. Many plants rely on ants to spread their seeds.



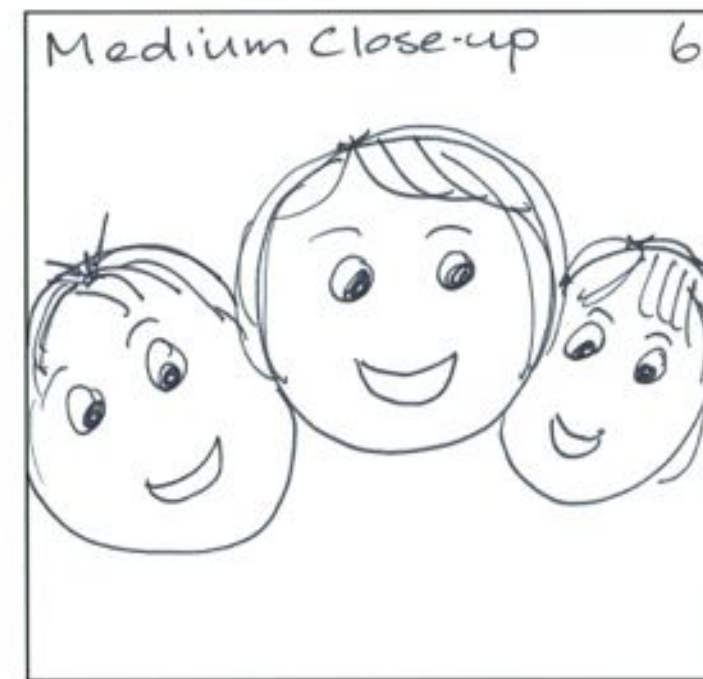
They are important food for birds, lizards and echidnas.



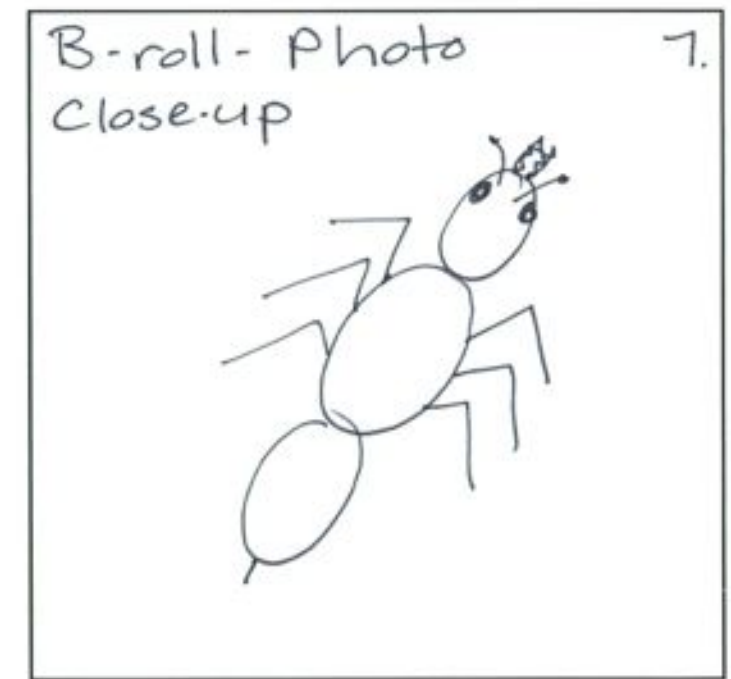
Did you know there are 20,000 species of ants in the world?



Do you know that ants are insects and have 3 body parts.

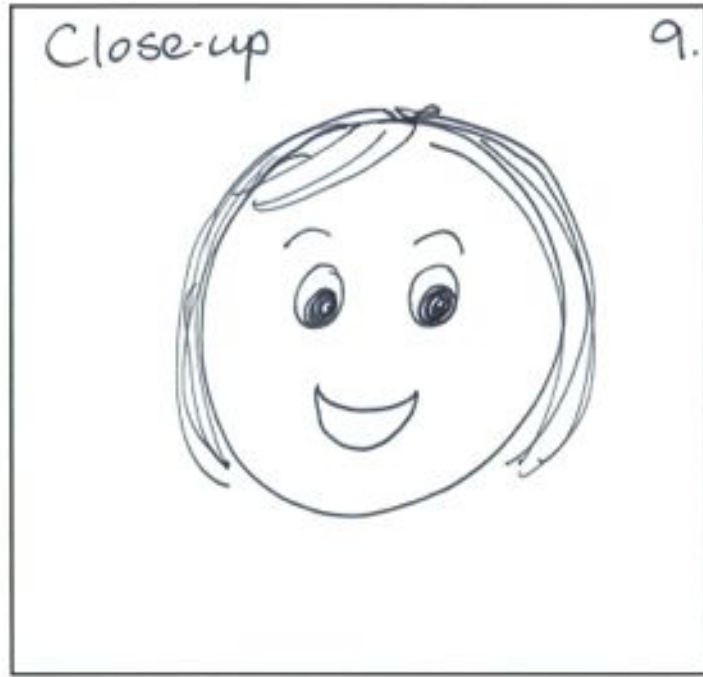


They have a head with jaws and antennae. A thorax with legs. An abdomen with a stinger.



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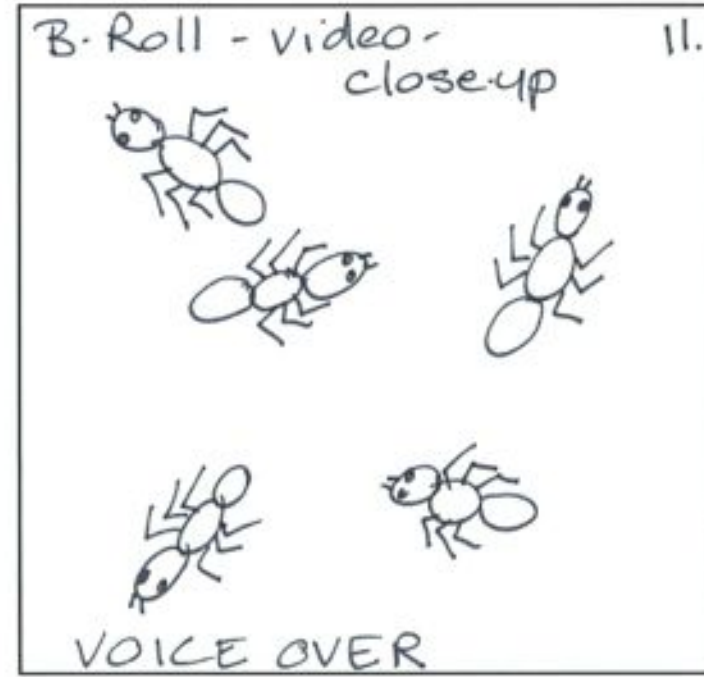
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Did you know an ant's antennae can help them touch, taste, hear and smell.



Here is a colony of ants.



In it is a queen who lays the eggs, the males who mate with her and the workers who do all the work.



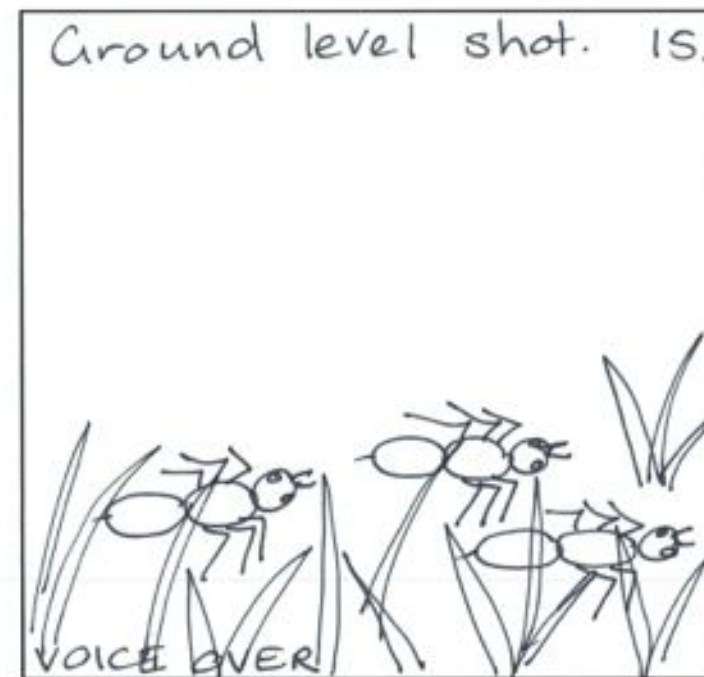
Did you know that there are 90 species of bull-ants in Australia?



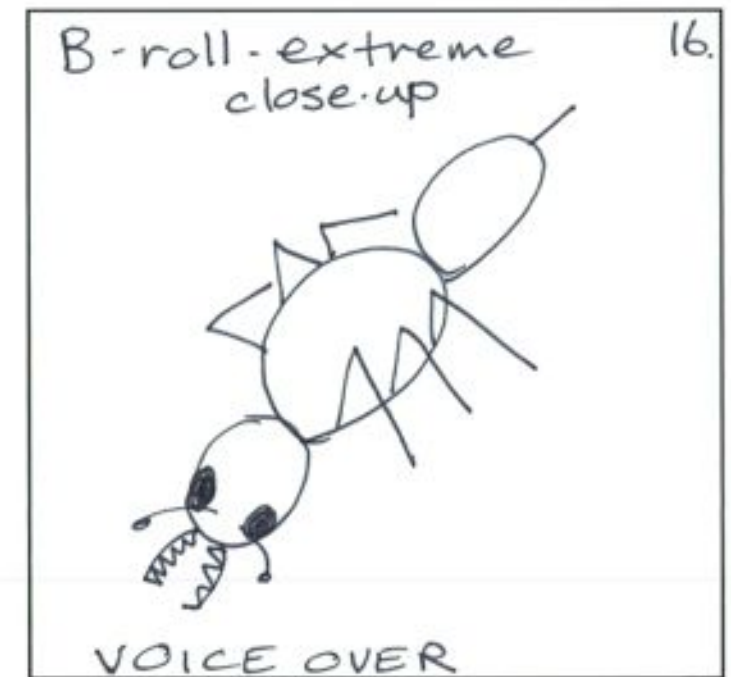
Bullants are large. They can grow up to 4cm long.



Bullant nests can extend several metres below the ground.

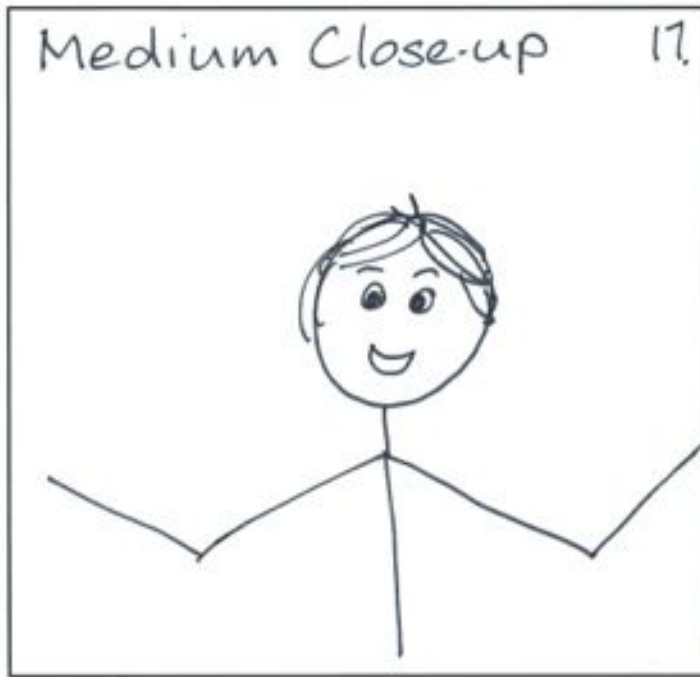


They attack intruders of any size that come too close to the nest.

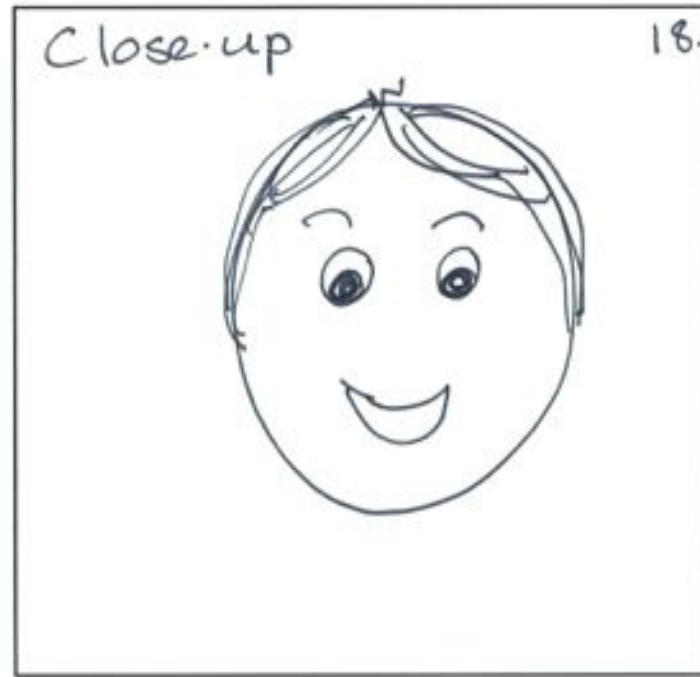


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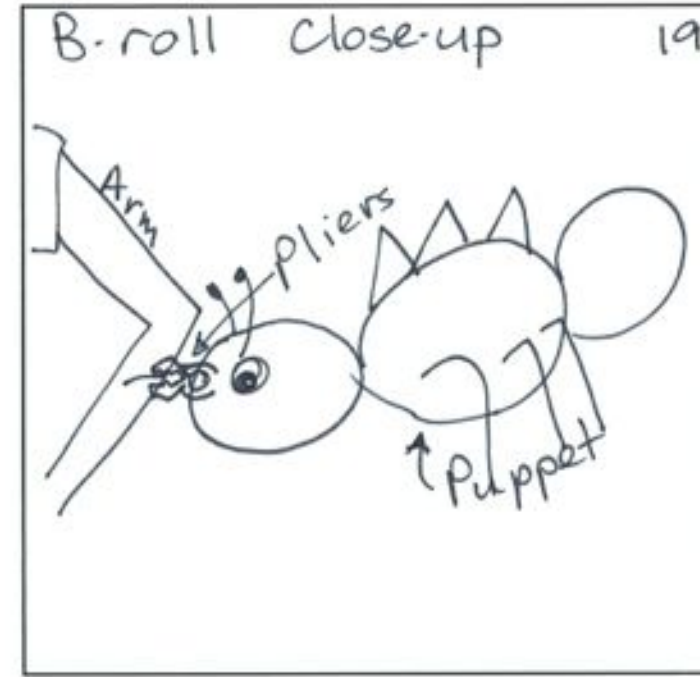
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Aboriginals used bullants as bush medicine.



They use the jaws of the ants as stitches.



So ^{did} you find any ants? Yeah, I found heaps. At first I thought ants were boring but now I think they are amazing.



Today we have learnt that there are lots of different types of ants that help plants and are food for many animals. Ants are amazing.