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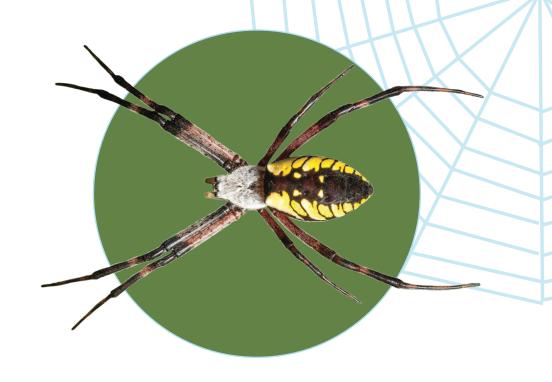
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- Some people are afraid of spiders.
- Some people are not.
- Most spiders are not dangerous.
- Do spiders scare you?
- This person does not judge spiders as scary.





- This is a garden spider.
- Count the legs on this spider.
- Spiders are not insects.
- Insects have six legs, but spiders have eight legs.

- Spiders make webs from silk.
- They make the silk with their bodies.
- The silk comes from a special body part.





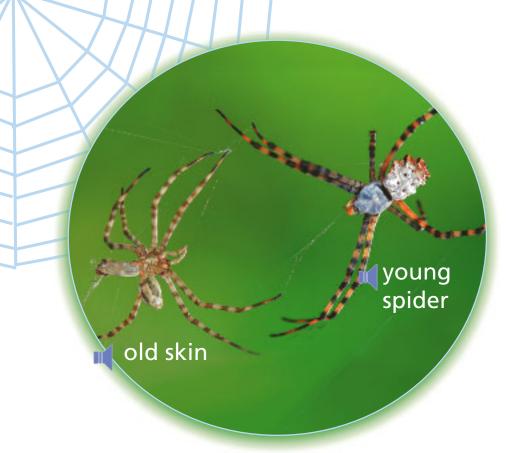
- Some spider silk is sticky.
- Insects fly into the silk and get stuck in the web.
- The spiders eat the insects.
- Spiders' meals are fresh, not rotten!



- A spider using a silk balloon
- This spider is taking a balloon ride.
- Some spiders use the silk to make balloons.
- A breeze can carry them far away.
- Then they use the silk to make new webs.



- Spiders lay eggs.
- They wrap the eggs in a special sack made from silk.
- This keeps the eggs safe.
- Spiders stay with their eggs until they hatch.



- A spider leaves his old skin behind.
- As baby spiders grow, they get too big for their skin!
- Then they take the old skin off and grow a new skin.
- This is called molting.



A spider that eat birds

- Most spiders eat insects.
- But some spiders eat birds and lizards.
- These spiders can be as big as plates!

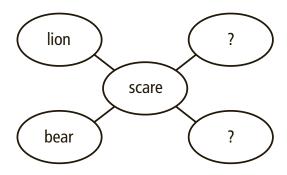


- Some people scream when they see a spider in a fountain.
- Would this spider make you scream?

# Responding

#### TARGET VOCABULARY Word Builder

Make a word web around the word scare. What animals might scare you? Copy this word web and add more words.



### **Write About It**

Text to Self Think about a time you saw an animal that scared you. Write a few sentences about it. What did it look like? How did you feel? Use words from the Word Builder.



breeze judge

dangerous scare

fountain screaming

insects sticky

TARGET STRATEGY Summarize Stop to tell important ideas as you read.

Which vocabulary word rhymes with something that is used to make a shirt?

Level: J
DRA: 18
Science
Strategy:
Summarize

**Word Count: 257** 

#### 2.1.4 Build Vocabulary

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