## **CREEPY CRAWLIES**

I may be a big brave bear, but I do hate spiders and creepy crawlies. Everyone tells me they are far more afraid of me, than I am of them. I'm not sure about that though.

All my years growing up, if there was a creepy crawly in my room, I'd shout for my mom who arrived with the "Slipper of Doom" and she'd take care of that critter. Ick!

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**EARN THIS NUGGET** 

Talk with your parents and learn the difference between a poisonous and a non-poisonous creepy crawly. Understand when it's appropriate to call on your parents and when you can take care of it yourself. Then, for four weeks, you're on Creepy Crawly patrol.

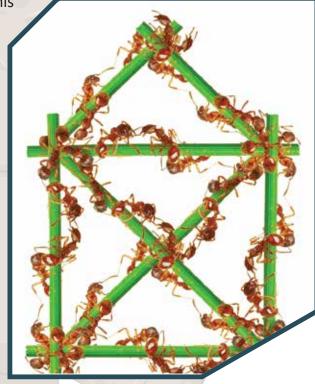
If your family needs help, then you, "The Bug Squad", will be called to take care of business. It's going to be tough, but you can do it.

Well, my friend, it's time for the slipper to be passed on to you. In fact, I'll give you three methods for eradicating Creepies on a case-by-case basis.

- 1. The slipper. Size 8 flexible sole is my weapon of choice.
- 2. A cloth. By simply covering the creepy crawly with a cloth, and then grabbing the cloth, you can place it outside.

3. Use a glass and place this over the unwanted guest. Slide a thin card underneath to capture him. Take him outside, knock the glass over at a safe distance with a stick, and perch precariously in a tree until the danger has passed.

OK, so one or two of these may seem like overkill, and there are other methods. I personally prefer not to kill anything, unless I know it's venomous. If you suspect you're



dealing with a poisonous insect, don't touch it or go near it. Tell your parents, and let them help you.

It's probably a good idea to chat with them and do some research so you'll be able to identify a poisonous creepy crawly.

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