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Spider webs are strong.

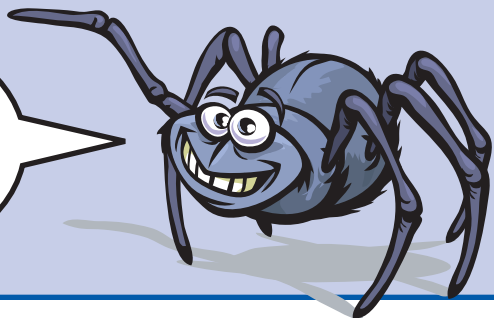


Spiders spin sticky webs. Insects fly into the webs. Insects are caught there. Spiders eat the insects.

Spiders use webs to catch their meals. Let's learn about more things that catch.

Sandy Spider Says

I make the best webs!

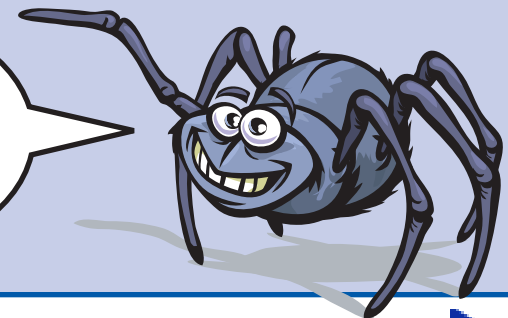


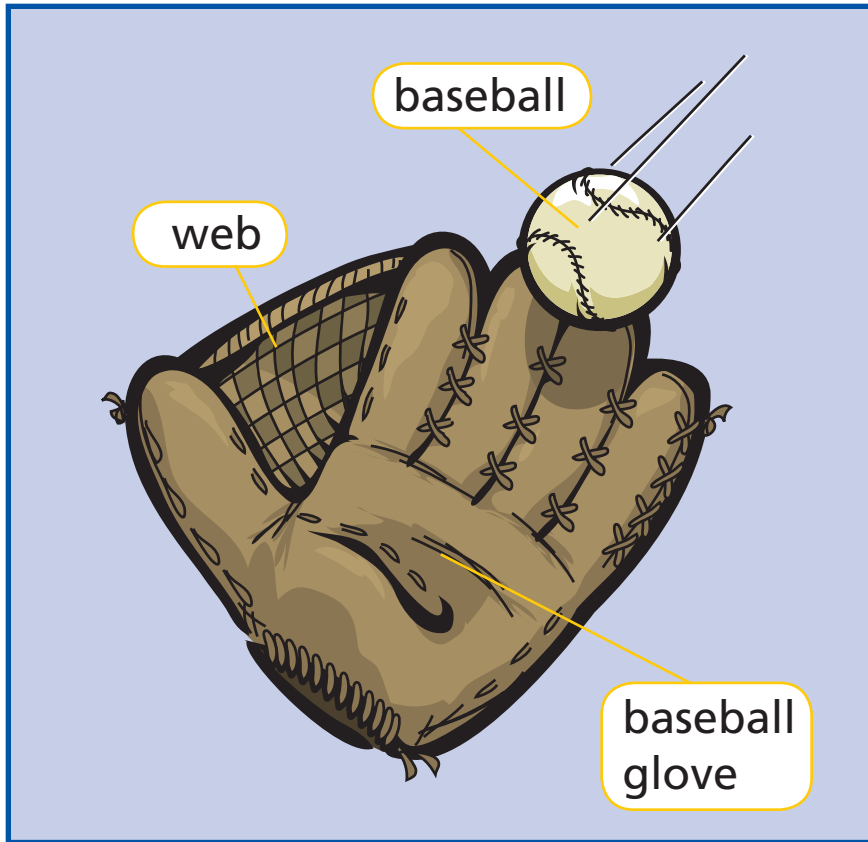
People use fish nets to catch fish. These nets catch things as webs do. Fish swim into the nets. The fish are caught there. People eat the fish.

People use nets to catch food just as spiders use webs to catch food.

Sandy Spider Says

That net is not as pretty as my web!





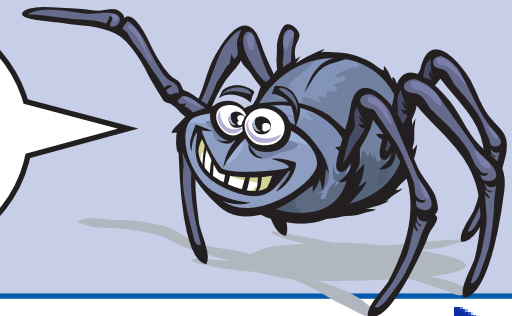
A baseball player uses a glove to catch a baseball.
The ball flies into the baseball glove.
Part of the glove is called the web.
The web helps catch the ball.

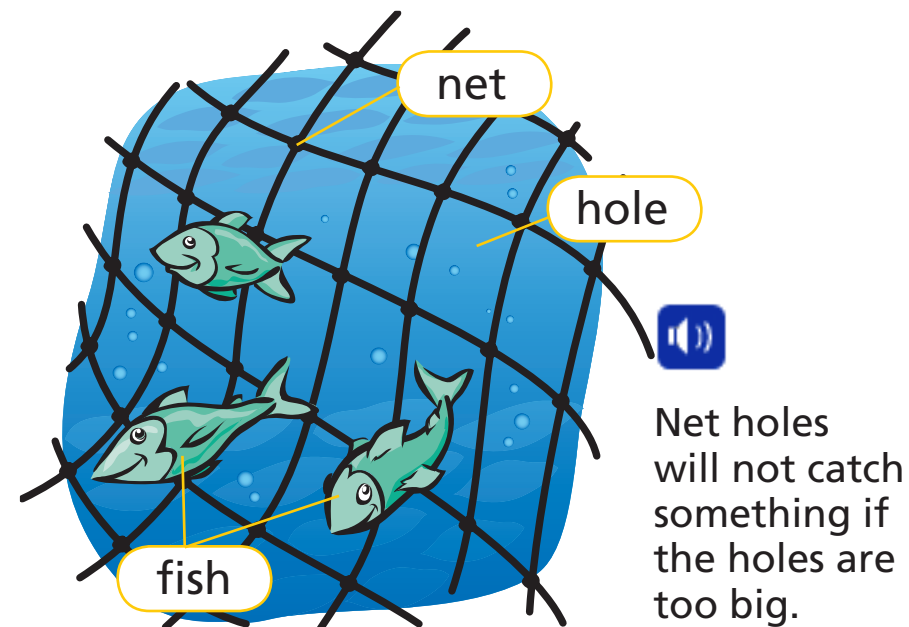


A baseball glove needs a web.
Without it, a player might miss a ball.
Baseball players use webs for catching just as spiders do.

Sandy Spider Says

Do you think my web could catch a baseball?





Sometimes webs and nets don't catch things.

Here is a fish net with big holes. The fish can swim through the holes.

Would a soccer net with very big holes catch the ball?



What else is used for catching?
Soccer nets catch balls.

A soccer ball flies into the net. The ball is too big to go through. The net stops the ball.

Sandy Spider Says

I believe my webs always catch something!





 Nets and webs are good for catching. The holes in nets and webs must be just the right size.

Sandy Spider Says

What kinds of webs or nets have you seen?



Talk About It

1. How does the web in a baseball glove help a baseball player?
2. A spider web does not move. How does it catch insects?

Write About It

3. Have you ever seen a net or a web?
Draw a picture of it on a separate sheet of paper. Write about where you saw it.

Extend Language

Fish nets catch fish. What do you call a *net* that catches *butterflies*?

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