The short-beaked echidna is the only species of echidna in Australia



The short-beaked echidna is easily recognised by its short legs and long snout

Echidnas are monotremes, they lay eggs and feed their babies on milk

Echidnas don't have teeth

Echidnas are slow moving



The echidna also
has distinctive
sharp spines known
as quills

A baby echidna is called a puggle

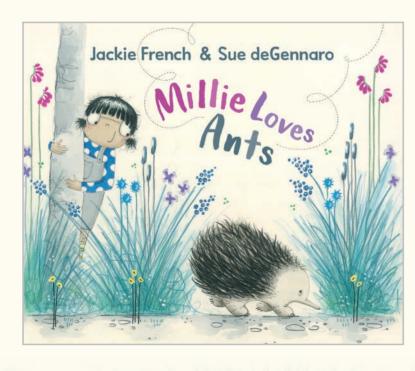




Echidnas are solitary creatures and not territorial



Echidnas eat ants, termites, grubs and beetle larvae



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An ant's life cycle consists of four stages: egg, larvae, pupa, and adult ant



Like all insects, ants have three main body parts: head, thorax, and abdomen, six legs, and a pair of antennae

Ants have two stomachs one for themselves and one to share the food with other ants

> Ants are social insects. They live in groups called colonies







There are over 100,000 known species of ants

> Ants are as old as dinosaurs. Ants have been able to survive on the earth for more than 100 million years

Ants can be many different colours including purple, brown, black and red

> Ants have compound eyes and jaws called mandibles

Ants are strong! A single ant can lift an object that is 20 times its own weight

