

Funnel-web spider Scavenger Hunt – World Book Kids

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1. Describe features of the funnel-web spider?

2. Where are funnel-web spiders found?

3. What is the best-known kind of funnel-web?

4. Where do most funnel-webs live?

5. What do funnel-webs spin at the entrance of their burrows?

6. What do funnel-webs eat?

7. What can happen if you are ever bitten by a funnel-web spider and what should you do?

8. What is an *antidote*?

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ANSWERS:

1. Funnel-webs are among the most dangerous spiders in the world. They are dark brown to black spiders. They measure 2-5 centimetres long,
2. Funnel-web spiders are found in southeastern Australia and Tasmania.
3. The best-known kind of funnel-web is the Sydney funnel-web.
4. Most funnel-web spiders live alone in ground burrows. They build these in sheltered locations under logs, rocks, or heavy ground litter. A few kinds of funnel-web spiders live in trees.
5. Funnel-webs spin funnel-shaped entrances for their burrows.
6. Funnel-webs feed mainly at night on insects and other small creatures.
7. A funnel-web spider's bite releases powerful venom. The venom causes severe pain and some people have died. People who have been bitten should immediately seek medical care.
8. An *antidote* is a substance that fights the harmful action of a poison in the body.