

Morning Starters: Autumn 1 - Nature's Builders

Word Challenge

List some words that rhyme with the word 'spider.'

Example: provider, outsider, ...

Grammar Challenge

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Write a descriptive sentence that includes the preposition 'beneath' and starts in the following way.

The finely woven web hung ...

Example: The finely woven web hung beneath the low-hanging branches, shimmering in the morning light.

Did You Know?

Orb-weaving spiders build their impressive webs from silk. Knowing how to build a web is coded into their genes, meaning that even newly-hatched spiders can build impressive webs! These intricate webs are not only marvels of engineering but also highly effective traps for catching prey. Spiders meticulously repair and maintain their webs, ensuring they remain strong and functional for capturing food.



Credit: BBC - CrowdScience

Number Challenge

Fact: Spiders are arachnids. Arachnids have 8 legs.

Write some number sentences that equal 8 and include fractions.

Example:

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{29}{4} = 8$$

Critical Thinking

If you could have a conversation with a spider, what questions would you ask it about its web-building skills?