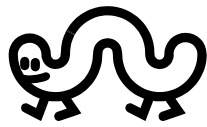


Worms



- ~ 4,400 different kinds of segmented worms
- ~ Night crawlers are a type of segmented worm
- ~ The largest segmented worm is 10 feet long and 1 inch around
- ~ Worms are sensitive to light. They are photophobic
- ~ Worms have a gizzard that digests food. They need the sandy part in dirt in their gizzards to grind up the food. That's how Robins hear the worms below the dirt. They hear the gizzard grinding the food.
- ~ Worms can eat half their body weight in one day. That's like you eating 20 lbs. of pizza
- ~ Then they break down the organic matter into worm poop or castings
- ~ The castings are full of nutrients and very good for the garden soil!
- ~ Worms breathe through their skin. If the dirt is too wet, they drown. If it is too dry, they lose their slime and dry out.
- ~ Worms have a brain that controls how they move.
- ~ Worms have 10 hearts = 5 pairs of hearts
- ~ Worms have both boy parts and girl parts. When they are 5-6 weeks old they mate with another worm and make an egg sack that hatches in 5-6 days.
- ~ There are 1000 worms in 1 pound of worms.
- ~ Feed worms vegetable scraps like banana peels, orange peels, apple cores, carrot peels and coffee grounds and old tea bags.

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Worm egg sack

