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Fireflies

by Faith Cormier

What are those little green lights on the grass and flying in the yard?

Are they monsters? Are they UFOs?



No, they aren't monsters and they aren't UFOs. They're fireflies.

Fireflies are little insects that glow with a cool green light. If you touch one it won't burn you.

Some fireflies glow to warn other animals that they don't taste good. Frogs, bats, and birds do not like to eat animals that glow. The glow helps keep fireflies safe.

Sometimes we call fireflies glowworms.

You can catch fireflies in a jar. Don't forget to let them go again.

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1. What color are fireflies when they glow?

2. Fireflies are sometimes called _____.

3. If you touch a firefly, will it burn you?

yes no

4. If you catch a firefly in a jar, you should...

- a. keep it in your bedroom
- b. let it go after you look at it
- c. put water in the jar
- d. shake the jar

5. When can you find fireflies?

- a. in the yard
- b. in the grass
- c. in the day
- d. at night

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Write true or false.

1. Fireflies are hot. _____
2. Fireflies are called glowworms. _____
3. Fireflies glow with a red light. _____
4. Fireflies are monsters. _____
5. Fireflies are insects. _____
6. Fireflies can fly. _____
7. Fireflies glow to show other animals they don't taste good. _____

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Draw lines to match words with their meanings.

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| 1. insect | a. not hot |
| 2. monster | b. bug with six legs |
| 3. UFO | c. a space ship |
| 4. cool | d. scary creature |
| 5. glow | e. light up in the dark |

Now circle the words in the puzzle.

INSECT MONSTER UFO COOL GLOW

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S	U	P	E	C	O	O	L
I	F	L	Z	E	D	C	O
M	O	N	S	T	E	R	W

ANSWER KEY

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1. What color are fireflies when they glow?

green

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3. If you touch a firefly, will it burn you?

yes

no

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7. Fireflies can fly. **true**
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