

Crawly Creatures

TERMITES

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Meet
the

TERMITE

Skitter here. Scatter there. A termite nest is full of hustle and bustle. Busy worker termites take care of the queen. Some workers feed it. Others clean it. Meanwhile, other workers repair the nest. They use poop and spit to fix it up. Soldier termites are ready to warn of danger. Their job is to protect the **colony** from attackers.

TERMITE
QUEEN

WORKER
TERMITES

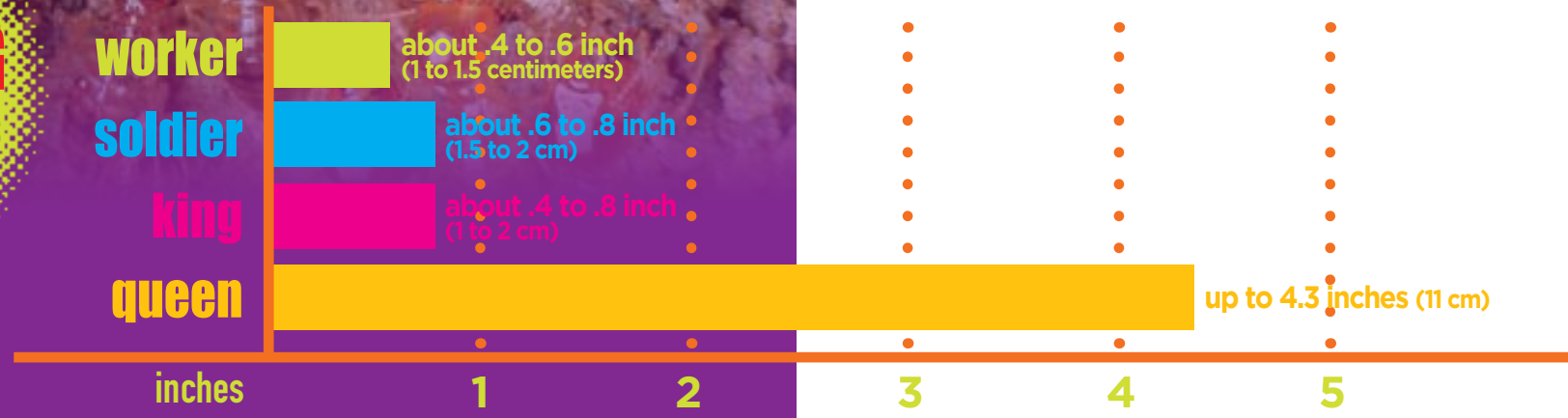


Social Insects

Termite nests are busy places. They're full of pale, blind, and wingless termites. These are soldiers or workers. Only termites that can **reproduce** have eyes and grow wings. They are future kings and queens.

Termites **communicate** using **chemical** signals. Each colony has its own scent. Termites also bang their heads against the walls to warn of danger. Termites inside sense the **vibrations**.

COMPARING SIZES



TERMITE FEATURES

ABDOMEN

ANTENNAE

THORAX

LEGS

HEAD

