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Which Invertebrate am I?

1. I have legs. In fact I have 3 pairs of legs. I do not have wings, and I may be considered a parasite because I enjoy hanging out on mammals and birds. My hind legs are made for jumping.

- I am a _____.
- Three characteristics about me are _____, _____, and _____.
- When I first hatch from the eggs, I do not begin to feed on blood like my parents, but I consume the _____ from the host animal.
- When I am feeding, I can live _____ without food.
- In my habitat, I am always found _____ to my hosts, either in _____ such as among the feathers or hair or _____.

2. I do not have any legs. I am proud that I do have a distinct head end with tentacles.

- I am a _____ and _____.
- I am also known as a _____, which means 'stomach foot'.
- I am a _____, which means I have both male and female reproductive organs in my body.
- I feed by using a radula, which is a _____ covered by rows of rasping teeth.
- I prefer a _____ environment because I might dry out.

3. I have legs. In fact I have 4 pairs of legs. I do not have antennae, and I have two distinct body segments with fangs.

- I am a _____.
- I usually have _____ pairs of eyes.
- I have fangs to deliver _____, _____, _____, and _____.
- After mating, the male will either _____ or be _____!
- I enjoy feeding the most at _____, and I am considered a _____ because I like to feed on a wide range of other invertebrates.

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4. I have legs. In fact I have 3 pairs of legs. I have 1 pair of wings present, my hind wings are reduced to knobs.

- I am a _____ and a _____.
- They have a _____ life cycle and will _____ while flying.
- Adults are only able to ingest _____ foods due to their _____ and/or _____ mouthparts.
- Species such as _____ and _____ pierce the skin of their prey with their _____ and then suck up the _____.

5. I do not have legs. I never have antennae.

- I am a _____ and a _____.
- Three characteristics about me are _____, _____, and _____.
- When I lay my eggs, they are put in a _____ and then deposited in the soil.
- I am considered a beneficial animal because as I move through the ground feeding, I _____.
- I often come up to the surface of the soil after a heavy rain because the soil becomes _____.

6. I have legs. In fact I have 3 pairs of legs. I have 2 pairs of wings present that are soft and flexible and covered in scales.

- I am a _____ or a _____.
- Two characteristics about me are _____ and _____.
- _____ are just day-flying _____.
- The complete life cycle includes four stages: _____, _____, _____, and _____.
- When I eat foliage or wood, I am considered a _____. When I eat other soft bodied insects I am considered a _____.