A Small Problem

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SPRINKLE!

HEY, SNAIL, HAVE YOU SEEN A CAKE SPRINKLE?

LONG, PINK, AND ROUND ON BOTH ENDS.

OUR QUEEN LOST IT.

NO, BUT I JUST LEFT SOME SLIME BALLS IN MY TRAIL.

DO THEY TASTE GOOD?

OH, YES.

THEY'RE FULL OF YUMMY LIVER FLUKE PARASITES.

PASS.

WEEEEEE!

ASK THAT CENTIPEDE IF SHE'S SEEN THE SPRINKLE.

HOW CAN YOU TELL?

THAT'S A MILLIPEDE.

CENTIPEDES ONLY HAVE TWO LEGS PER SEGMENT. MILLIPEDES HAVE FOUR.

ASK HER

TOO LATE, HER HEAD HAS ALREADY PASSED.

MAYBE IT FELL DOWN THIS HOLE.

WE COULD TRY ASKING THE SOIL BACTERIA IF THEY SAW IT.

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HEY, BACTERIA, WE KNOW YOU DON'T HAVE MOUTHS OR EYES, BUT COULD YOU TELL US IF YOU'VE SEEN A SPRINKLE?

NOTHIN'?

ASK THE SNAKE AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL.

OKAY, THANKS STAG BEETLE GRUB, WE'LL JUST GO AND...

AAAAAA

WHEW, THAT WAS CLOSE.

IS IT JUST ME OR IS THE GROUND SHAKING?

GANGWAY!

eep.

WHAT'S UP, WORM?

VIBRATIONS IN SOIL, MOLE COMING.

WHAT'S A MOLE?

GRAAAAA

HA! MISSED ME!

RUN!

ASK THIS THING IF IT'S SEEN A SPRINKLE.

AAH!
I SLIPPED ON A FLATWORM!
SLIP!
WHAT?
SPLAT!
HEY, FLATWORM, HAVE YOU SEEN A SPRINKLE?
DOES IT LOOK LIKE AN AMOEBA?
NO.
I LIKE TO EAT AMOEBAS.
YEAH, BUT HAVE YOU **SEEN** A SPRINKLE?
mmm... AMOEBAS AMOEBAS AMOEBAS
WE'RE NEVER GONNA FIND IT
LET'S GO GIVE THE QUEEN THE BAD NEWS.
AMOEBAS!
INTRUDER ALERT!
PEW! PEW!
KNOCK IT OFF, YOU ITTY BITTY SPRINGTAILS!
HEY! HAVE YOU GIRLS SEEN A SPRINKLE?
NO. BUT HAVE YOU SEEN OUR AMAZING SPRING-TAILS?
PEW!
PEW!
PEW!
Sigh.

LET'S GO TO THE NURSERY BEFORE WE TELL THE QUEEN.
GOOD IDEA. BABIES CHEER ME UP.
LOOK AT ALL OF THOSE ADORABLE EGGS.
HELLO, FUTURE BABIES!
HERE'S THE ONE WE BROUGHT DOWN FROM THE QUEEN'S CHAMBER THIS MORNING. IT'S SO **HUGE** IT TOOK TWO OF US TO CARRY IT.
IT LOOKS DIFFERENT THAN THE OTHER EGGS, BUT IT'S SO **CUTE!**
LONG, PINK, AND ROUND ON BOTH ENDS.
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HEY! ARE YOU THE TWO GOOFBALLS THAT BROUGHT THAT **SPRINKLE** DOWN HERE?
WHAT? NO. PFFT! THAT'S SILLY!
BUT WE'LL REMOVE IT FOR YOU, SISTER! **RIGHT AWAY!**
HEY, WHAT DOES AN ANT SAY WHEN SHE FINDS THE QUEEN'S SUGARY SPRINKLE?
SWEET!