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Animal Fact Sheet

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Common Earthworm

Lumbricus terrestris

The Common Earthworm is a segmented invertebrate widely recognized for its vital role in enriching and aerating soil. It has a cylindrical, reddish-brown body that can grow up to 30 centimeters in le…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Lumbricidae
Habitat: Moist soil in grasslands, forests, gardens, and farmlands
Diet: Detritivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 4-8 years
Weight: 2-4 grams
Scientific name: Lumbricus terrestris

Did you know?

- A single earthworm can process and turn over as much as 10 pounds of soil per year.
- Earthworms have five pairs of simple hearts and can regenerate lost segments if injured. Their burrowing activity helps prevent soil erosion and impr…

What I learned

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