

Worm Interviews

<http://yucky.kids.discovery.com/flash/worm/pg000101.html>



Objectives:

- to introduce students to the different types of worms
- to do role playing
- to reinforce vocabulary

Procedure:

1. Show slides or pictures of the different worm types: Flatworms (Platyhelminthes), Roundworms (Nematoda), and Segmented Worms (Annelids).
2. Take notes on different worm types in notebook
3. Print and photocopy a class set of the interviews: Paulette the [Planarian](#), Tommi the [Tapeworm](#), Larry the [Leech](#), Eddie the [Earthworm](#).
4. Select students to read the character parts in front of class.
5. Discuss Questions.

Questions:

Paulette the [Planarian](#):

- How does the planarian take in food?
- What are enzymes?
- What is regeneration?
- Where can you find Planaria?

Tommi the [Tapeworm](#):

- What is a parasite?
- What is a host?
- Where do you find a beef tapeworm?
- How big can they get?

Larry the [Leech](#):

- What do Leeches feed on?
- How do they attach to their host?
- Why are they used for medicinal purposes?
- Why doesn't the blood clot?
- How are leeches related to earthworms?

Eddie the [Earthworm](#):

- What is mucous?
- What do worms do for the soil?
- What is a casting?
- How is a Night Crawler different than an Earthworm?