



Chapter eight

MILLIPEDES

Millipedes live in forests. Most people think millipedes are harmless. But they're dangerous when they're in trouble. They create a big stink.

They mix two substances. They have mixing **chambers**. Chambers are like rooms. These chambers are on the side of their bodies. Millipedes make a deadly gas. The gas smells bad. The gas tastes bad.

Millipedes store the gas. The gas from one millipede can kill a mouse. The gas from 300 millipedes can kill a human.



Millipedes have stink glands called ozopores.

The deadly gas isn't easy to make. It takes a lot of energy. Millipedes would rather run than make it. They have hundreds of feet. But they're not fast.