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Today's creepy crawly episode is all about SPIDERS! But wait, before you freak out or get scared -- just know, less than 1% of spiders are harmful to humans... and in fact, spiders are very helpful.

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Questions we answer on today's episode include:

How many species of spiders are there?
How strong are spider webs?
Should you be afraid of spiders?

Grow Their Mind

On this episode we talk about the different kinds of webs spiders weave, and how the silk they create is 5 times stronger than steel! Take a look at this article with pictures of all the different kinds of webs from the [British Natural History Museum](#).

Activities

- Have your child pick a type of spider web, and then draw it along with the spider who made it.
- While we're on the subject of webs, discuss with your child the different kinds of webs and their different functions.
- In our episode, we feature a talking spider with the cutest voice ever! Have them draw our little arachnid friend.

Additional Resources

This great video from Jessi at [SciShow Kids](#) introduces kids to a variety of spiders. She makes a point of why we should not be afraid of spiders. Very fun and educational for any kid who wants to learn more about our creepy-crawly friends!¹

¹ This activity guide is for the Who Smarted? podcast www.WhoSmarted.com