Spiders are not insects. They belong to a class of animals called arachnids. All spiders have eight legs and can grow a new leg if they lose one. They have fangs through which venom is ejected to kill their prey. They have two body sections, the abdomen and the cephalothorax. They have a hard exoskeleton (skeleton on the outside). Most spiders have 6-8 eyes.

These amazing animals have silk glands on their abdomens called spinnerets. Silk is used to build webs, make egg sacs, and wrap prey. The tips of the spider's legs are oily, so this keeps them from getting stuck in their own web. Spiders help us by eating harmful insects!

1. Spiders are not insects, they are ____________________________

2. They have ________________ through which ________________ is ejected to kill their prey.

4. What do their spinnerets help them do?
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5. Why don't they get stuck in their own webs?
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6. How do spiders help us?
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** Color the black and white pictures.
** Highlight the “star” words in the writing.