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How to Handle Bugs

Avoiding insect bites and stings

Summer is for the beach, the lake, camping, hiking, and just plain rolling around on the lawn. But when it comes to dealing with bugs, sometimes the great outdoors isn't so great. For a few ideas on keeping multi-legged pests out of your hair (and off your skin), as well as treating bites and stings, we put together a whole colony of informative links for you.

Identifying insects

- [What's that bug?](#)
- [An insect key](#)

Treating insect bites & stings

- [Insect bites and stings and spider bites](#)
- [Treating kids for insect stings and bites](#)

Insect repellent methods

- [Natural bug repellents](#)
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Home Energy Savers

Save energy, save money!

It's a record-hot summer everywhere, and turning off your air conditioning is not an option. To help keep your home energy costs down, this cool site (couldn't resist) includes a special audit tool to help you learn how you can save energy *and* lots of money! [Add it up and cool it off!](#)



Tech E Blog

Gadgets galore!

Because you can't get enough of the fun, cutting-edge devices making their way into the world, take a look here first to see the very latest in fast, shiny, portable, pluggable, and just plain cool new gadgets! [I gotta get one of those!](#)



High Blood Pressure Guide

Learn it, lower it, & live.

Men and women, young and old—the fact is high blood pressure can still be a silent killer. Get informed about detection, prevention, treatment, and medication.

[Cool, calm, & educated](#)



My Drawings

Hey, look at what I made!

Everybody doodles. Here's your chance to share yours and take a look other people's, too. We're talking drawings here. They range from the silly to the sublime. Post your own illustrations and check out all the other entries. Don't forget to vote for your favorites!



Tech Tip



All About Blogs

By John Nolt

This week's tech tip is the first of two parts about blogs and blogging. If you've heard of blogs but never really knew what they were all about, this tech tip is a great

introduction to a fascinating world of stories, grousing, confessions, cool links, and so much more. It's all about blogs.

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Weird Web



Cows On Parade

Cow statues. Hundreds of them. Need we say more?

The cows have taken over the streets of Chicago. As part of a 1999 public art exhibit, more than 300 fiberglass cow statues were put out to Chicago



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pasture. And you can see these bovine beauties for yourself at this online gallery. It's udder magic!
[One cow. Two cow. Red cow. Blue cow.](#)

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