

Task # 1

Grade 2 Shared Reading Article: **The Super Ant** and Poem: Ants Can

2. **Describe** how the ants' need to eat and survive may affect their behavior towards plants and/or people. Use evidence from the texts.

**The ants' need to survive makes them take things that don't belong to them. Ants crawl into people's home looking for food. Ants, just like humans need food to live. The article *The Super Ant* writes about how ants communicate by smell. When they smell food they let other ants know where the food is by pheromones. Other ants smell the scent and know that food is nearby. People might not like ants crawling all over their floors. This might make people upset. But if the ants are to live they must eat food when they find it.**

**Ants also take parts of plants to help them to build a nest to live in. in the poem, *Ants Can* we can see that the ant has taken part of a plant. While this does not help the plant, it helps the ant to build his home.**