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## Buzzing Whispers: How Bugs Communicate

### Short Answer Key

1. Pheromones are chemicals released by insects to communicate. Ants use them to leave trails for others to follow to food sources.
2. Stridulation is the process of producing sounds by rubbing body parts together. An example is crickets chirping at night.
3. The waggle dance is performed by honeybees to communicate the location of food sources to other members of the hive.
4. Butterflies and moths communicate visually through bright colors and patterns on their wings, which can serve as warnings to predators or signals to potential mates.
5. The bright colors on the monarch butterfly's wings warn predators of its toxicity.

