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## Parasitic Pairs

In “Real-Life Zombies” (pp. 4-7), you will read about several parasites and the ways they affect their hosts. Use the space below to describe the parasites and hosts that you read about. When you’re done, share with a partner. We’ve done the first one for you.

Organisms	What does the parasite do?	What happens to the host?
<b>Parasite:</b> fungus  <b>Host:</b> ant	A fungus spore lands on an ant. The fungus grows inside of the ant. It makes the ant climb. Then the fungus bursts out and releases spores.	The ant gets infected by a fungus spore. The ant climbs up a branch and bites it to hold on. The ant dies when the fungus grows out of it.
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**DISCUSS:** What do these parasitic relationships have in common?