

Cicada MadLabs--Use your cicada facts to convince someone that cicadas are one of the coolest creatures on earth! Just like regular MadLabs...fill in each line with the appropriate part of speech.

Dear _____ ,
Proper noun (name)

I know you're not a fan of cicadas and that you think they're

_____, _____, and _____ .
Adjective Adjective Adjective

However, I'm going to convince you that cicadas are utterly _____ .
Adjective

First, did you know that cicadas spend 17 years under the _____ ?
Noun

Then, they _____ and emerge all at once. In some areas
Verb

there can be more than 1.5 million cicadas per acre! These _____
Adjective

flying insects bumble around laying their eggs in _____, and
Noun

eventually, they die and their carcasses (dead bodies) fall to the ground. That's

when the _____ begins. They begin to decompose (that means
Emotion or Feeling

breakdown and return nutrients to the soil). Because there are so many cicadas,

that's _____ of nutrients entering the soil. Think about what that
Noun (unit of measure)

could do for your favorite _____ . So even though cicadas are
Name of a plant

_____, _____, and _____ . I hope
Adjective Adjective Adjective

you now _____ them as much as I do.
Verb (feeling/emotion)

Sincerely,

Proper noun (your name)