

DOWN ON THE ANT FARM

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Tune: "Down in the Valley" Produced with a grant from Delaware Very Special Arts.

Down on the ant farm,
The ant farm so low

The ants are all working,
Working real slow.

'Cause the ants all hate working -

They're all lazy bums

Hanging out in the kitchen,

And gobbling crumbs.

When the ants are done working,

They drink lots of beer,

And they eat antipasto,

Till it comes out their ears

Their ears are **antenna**,

And they shout **antonyms**,

And kick and bite one another

Till they need **antigens**.

They crave **ant-chilladas**,

But they eat them so quick

If it weren't for **antacids**

They'd always be sick

The ants live in tunnels,

Way under the ground,

You'd think when it's raining

That they would all drown.

But **anticipating** rainstorms,

Antagonized by the drip

They shout **anti-rain** slogans

And try not to slip.

(Repeat first verse)

Q: This song was part of an exercise on PREFIXES. What is a prefix? The prefix "ant" usually means "against," but it can mean "before." Which of these prefix "ant"s means "against"? What does the whole word mean? How about "before"? Use a dictionary.
Q: This is a fun song, but parts of it are untrue. Are ants *really* lazy? What about their ears?

