

Here's a thought: How do ants know what they're doing? They often build absolutely MASSIVE underground cities, but all you see them do is wander around in circles. I don't mean to sound judgemental, but they look completely clueless. HOWEVER, I know I couldn't build a city, even WITH help. Am I dumber than an ant? It's a powerful question. It also raises several others, such as 'Do they intuitively know what I'm thinking?' and 'If so, what do they think of my thoughts?' If they disapprove of me can they build traps? I'm thinking Vietnamese punji traps and stuff like that, possibly in response to my opinion 'Stupid ants...' If you think that sounds paranoid or maybe even mental, check out 'ant cities' on Youtube and you will be blown away/scared. The ant wars, I'm serious. A particularly frightening thought when you realise just how many of the insects there are in the world.

Apparently there are a million billion ants on Earth, which sounds impressive, but nowhere near as impressive as 1,000,000,000,000,000. What I mean is whilst the latter number is technically the same, it implies there are EXACTLY that amount, and THAT implies they've been counted one by one. Such a task has to be admired. I thought it was incredible when I saw someone on Youtube count to a million. Yeah well times that by a billion. More than that in fact, when you take into consideration longer numbers take longer to say. I just can't believe how the count was even possible. How can anyone be sure all ants were accounted for, for one thing. And surely the population is growing? I for one hope it stays exactly the same, because the number is so perfect. Sadly that means a lot of stamping on the insects needs to happen constantly. Not only is that cruel and out of order, it's a bizarre way to live your life. So let it go.

I've seen epic ant battles on Youtube, but again I found them pretty confusing. It was just a load of the things mixing with each other and then dying. If it works for them, more power to them, but again I'm looking for an explanation. The human battle equivalent would be two huge groups of people running into each other, then doing a lot of rubbing, then running away, only to see complete carnage. WHAT'S GOING ON?? Whatever the case, ants clearly need to be stopped before they stop fighting with each other and turn on their more musical and artistic oppressors. (That's us). My (now more developed) thinking is that if they can build metropolises, they can indeed understand simple messages, such as 'GO AWAY!' (Trust me - I've thought deeply). If that's too aggressive and causes metaphorical ant walls to go up, how about the phrase 'We come in peace'? Of course it's hard to take that request seriously when so many ants get stepped on everyday, but when it's explained that usually only happens by accident, they will listen to reason. Or would they? I sure wouldn't like to get stepped on, even with an apology.

It's even harder to come up with an excuse for filling ant nests with concrete, simply for the sake of curiosity and to see what they look like from the outside, (after bringing them up to land and giving them a huge clean). How about, and forgive me for sounding crazy, we hold a massive ant party to make them like us? Everyone likes a party. It could be really spectacular, it could have fireworks and everything. Just for the love of God, make sure the creatures aren't walking on the rockets at the time. There's something quite undignified about being launched high up in the air and exploded to the sight of pretty patterns and sparkling effects. How about the biggest Stone Roses concert of all time, instead? Everyone likes that band. The festival could be called 'Stone Roses for Ant Peace'. Of course the name would need

at least a little explanation, but once the idea sinks in everything will be fine, I'm sure.  
So... Bye!