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**Dead Ants**

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An orderly trail of ants is marching across the park picnic area.

It looks something like this:

..ant..ant.ant...ant.ant..ant.ant....ant..ant.ant.ant...ant..

But suddenly there is a rumour that a dropped chicken sandwich has been spotted on the ground ahead. The ants surge forward! *Oh No, it's an ant stampede!!*

Some of the slower ants are trampled, and their poor little ant bodies are broken up into scattered bits.

The resulting carnage looks like this:

...ant...ant..nat.ant.t..ant...ant..ant..ant.anant..t

Can you find how many ants have died?

Notes

* When in doubt, assume that the scattered bits are from the same ant. e.g. 2 heads and 1 body = 2 dead ants, not 3

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