What are head lice?
Lice are tiny parasitic insects that can live and breed on a human's head. They do not spread disease or pose any hazard to you or your child's health. Head lice only live and breed on the human head, not on your pets.
What are the signs of head lice?
How are head lice spread?
- They can also be spread by lying on a bed, couch, pillow, or carpet that has recently been in contact with an infested person.
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- If crawling lice are not seen, finding nits firmly attached within a ¼ inch of base of the hair shafts strongly suggests, but does not confirm, that a person is infested and should be treated.
 If you are unsure, the diagnosis should be made by a health care provider, local health department, or your school nurse of other person trained to identify live head lice. th

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- If, after 8-12 hours of treatment, no dead lice are found and lice seem as active as