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Answer Sheet:

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- Social Animals: They can behave as individuals but at the same time form a smart superorganism that can act in a very intelligent way.
- Collective Transport: when robots autonomously coordinate to move an object to a specific location

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 - *o* Control groups of robots and to control individual robots
- Can you explain how swarm robotics could be used for cancer treatment?
 - We could send in the body very simple robots that individually would not be effective. But because swarm robotics display a level of collective intelligence we would be able to collectively find the location of the cancer and attack it specifically.
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