## Insect-a-palooza



## What to do ...

Label the parts of the grasshopper below.


## Career Exploration

An example of a career with insects is an Entomologist.
What does an entomologist do?

What skills are required for this career?

Word Bank
Six-jointed leg
Antenna
Compound eye
Abdomen
Thorax
Head
Wing

## Digging Deeper... <br> You Try!

Think of places around your home where you might find insects.


They live in dark, warm, moist spots. You might find insects around your yard, flower beds and gardens. Go into your yard and look for the following insects; once you find them describe where you found them and what they were doing (eating, sleeping, building, flying). When you find the insect, fill out the chart below:

| Name of Insect | Where did you find it? | What was it doing? | Draw a picture of the |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Butterfly |  |  |  |
| Cricket |  |  |  |
| Fly |  |  |  |
| Grasshopper |  |  |  |
| Honey Bee |  |  |  |
| Ladybug |  |  |  |
| Mosquito |  |  |  |

## Marvelous Metamorphosis

What to do...
Identify the stages of complete and incomplete metamorphosis.


| Word Bank |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Egg | Nymph |
| Pupa | Complete |
| Larva | Incomplete |
| Adult |  |

## Did you know?

$\Rightarrow$ Two insects are listed as state insects of Tennessee - the ladybug, or ladybird beetle, a beneficial insect, and the firefly, which is known for creating its own light.
$\Rightarrow$ The honey bee is the state agricultural insect.
$\Rightarrow$ The zebra swallowtail is the state butterfly.

## You Try!

Find a book about insects or look on the Internet to find examples of insects that represent both incomplete and complete metamorphosis.

## Name That Stage!

| Caterpillar | Larva |
| :--- | :--- |
| Grub Worm |  |
| Cocoon |  |
| Butterfly |  |
| Mature <br> Grasshopper |  |
| Young <br> Leafhopper |  |
| Mature <br> Cicada |  |
| Mealworm |  |



Next year in 4-H try out these projects about insects:

Entomology
Horticulture and Garden

