


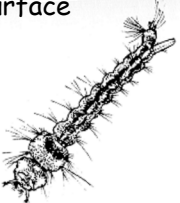



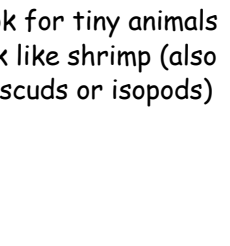



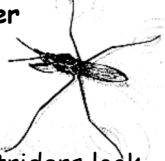
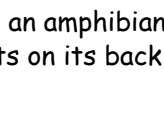
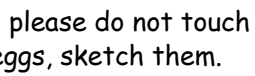




Explore the pond and see how many critters you can find. Use a plastic box for viewing so you don't have to handle the insects (some are sensitive to the oils on our skin). Try to find four in a row, across, down or diagonally. Can you find them all? Be sure to return all water critters to their natural habitat.

<p><b>Predaceous Diving Beetle</b></p> <p>Hint: be careful this insect can bite!</p> 	<p><b>Dragonfly Adult</b></p> <p>Hint: look for 2 pairs of wings held horizontally at rest</p> 	<p><b>Human Trash</b></p> <p>Be sure to pack it out!</p>	<p><b>Caddisfly Larvae</b></p> <p>Hint: look for a small tube built out of twigs, leaves or pebbles</p> 
<p><b>Mosquito Larvae</b></p> <p>Hint: larvae hang from the water surface</p> 	<p><b>Clam</b></p> <p>Hint: clams live in mud on the bottom of the pond (they are very tiny!)</p> 	<p><b>Damselfly Adult or Naid</b></p> <p>Hint: adults look like small, blue dragonflies but their wings are held over their abdomen when at rest</p> 	<p><b>Backswimmers</b></p> <p>Hint: this insect swims on its back and uses its legs like oars</p> 
<p><b>Side Swimmer</b></p> <p>Hint: look for tiny animals that look like shrimp (also know as scuds or isopods)</p> 	<p><b>Leech</b></p> <p>Hint: look for movement on the pond bottom</p> 	<p><b>Dragonfly Naiad</b></p> <p>Hint: sift through the mud on the bottom of the pond</p> 	<p><b>Water Boatman</b></p> <p>Hint: this insect looks similar to a back swimmer but swims with its back to the water surface</p> 
<p><b>Water Strider</b></p> <p>Hint: water striders look like spiders on the water surface</p> 	<p><b>Red Spotted Newt</b></p> <p>Hint look for an amphibian with red spots on its back</p> 	<p><b>Amphibian Eggs</b></p> <p>Hint: please do not touch the eggs, sketch them.</p> 	<p><b>Stonefly Adult or Naiad</b></p> <p>Hint: both adult and naiad have 2 tail filaments</p> 