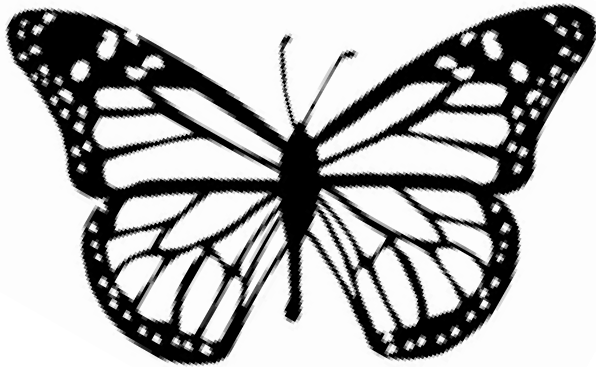


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# Let's Find Some Bugs!



Did you know that you can find insects most anywhere in the world? Many Entomologists (*scientists that study insects*) believe that we share this planet with over 900,000 different types of insects. You can find them on every continent, even the Antarctic. They inhabit the hottest and coldest climates our earth has to offer. They live in our homes, feast in our gardens, crawl the earth, fly the skies, swim the waters, and they have even been in space. Yes, you can find insects. just about anywhere you look.

With so many insects on earth it should make our task of finding and recording them in our Bug Journal easy, right? Not necessarily. Insects tend to be tiny compared to humans and many are experts at hiding, so they are not eaten by birds and other animals. You can find insects in their natural habitats but you will need to keep your eyes open and be observant. At the back of your journal there is a list of suggested areas to start you on your exploration.



Once you find an insect, use the enclosed magnifying glass and Bug Scavenger Hunt sheet to study and identify your specimen. Include the type of insect, where it was found, the adjectives that best describe it, and a drawing. Find 12 different insects to complete your bug book.

*Finish your personal Bug Journal by coloring the insect pictures found throughout the booklet. Have Fun!*



## Finding Bugs Outdoors

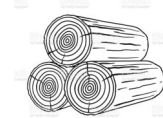


### Look on, in and around

- Flowers, plants and trees
- Streams, rivers and lakes
- Street and porch lights at night

### \*Look under: (under adult supervision only)

- Stones and boards
- Loose bark on logs
- Decaying wood and wood piles



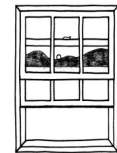
### Dig:

- In the dirt and mounds of dry leaves
- Compost piles
- Flower and garden beds

## Finding Bugs Inside

### Explore:

- Closets, old boxes and pantries
- Baseboards, windows and ceilings
- Bathrooms, attics and basements



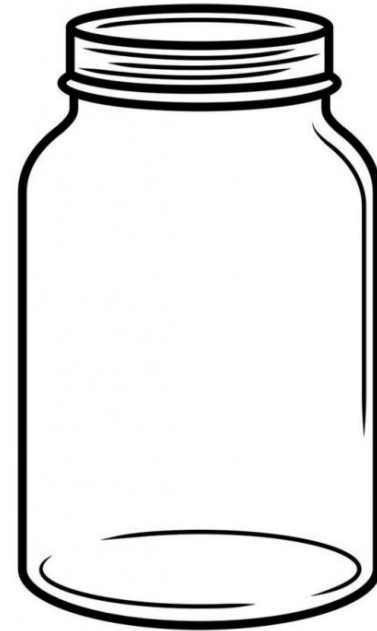
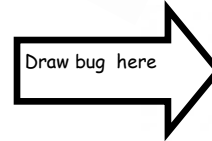
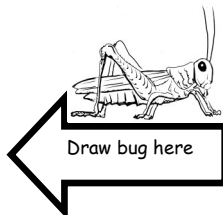
\*When turning over items outdoors make sure you are supervised by an adult. Be aware of biting, stinging or pinch insects. Black widow spider bites can be extremely harmful so avoid contact.

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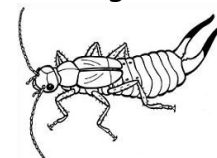


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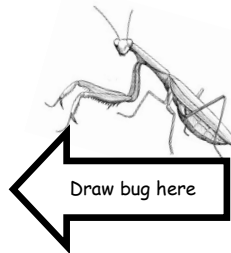
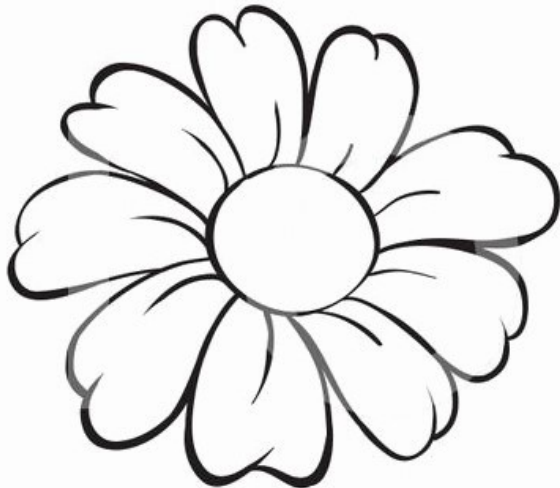


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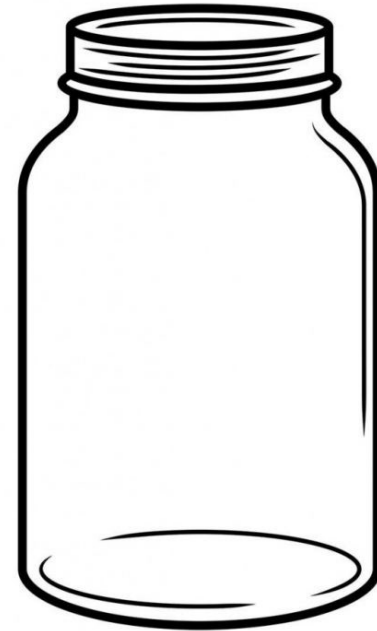
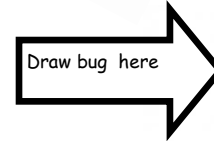
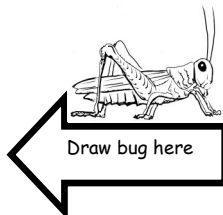


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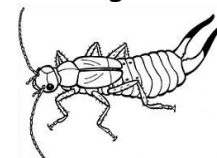


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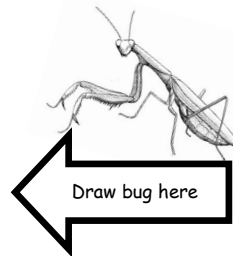
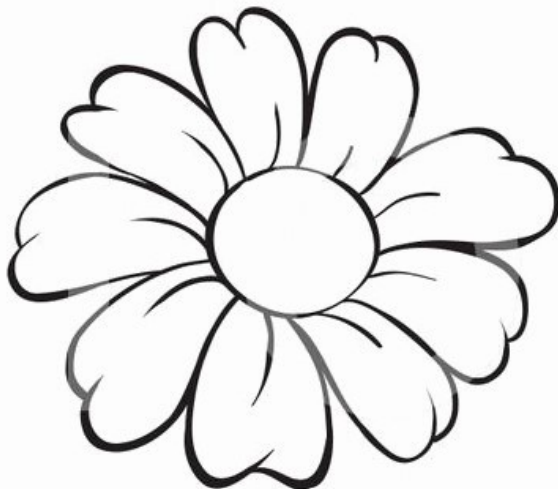


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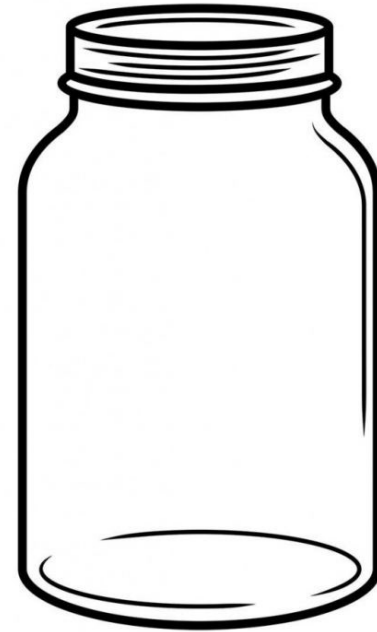
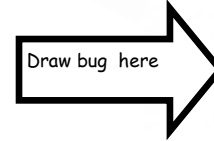
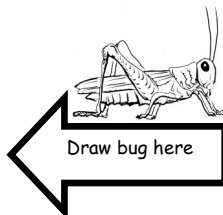


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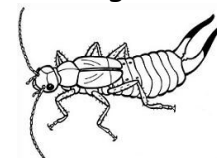


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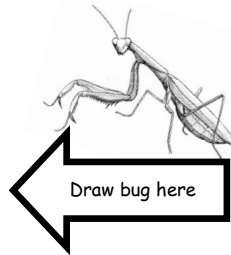
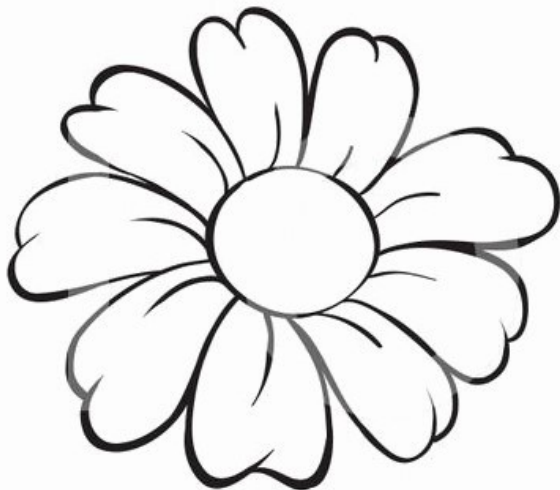
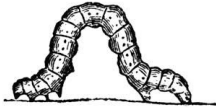


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