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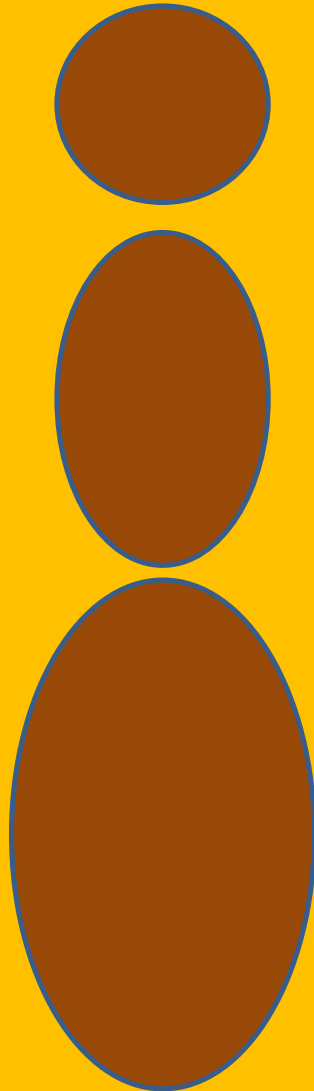
Insects and Bugs!

WALT: recognise the main body parts of insects.



Insects have body parts just like you...

There are
3 main
parts.

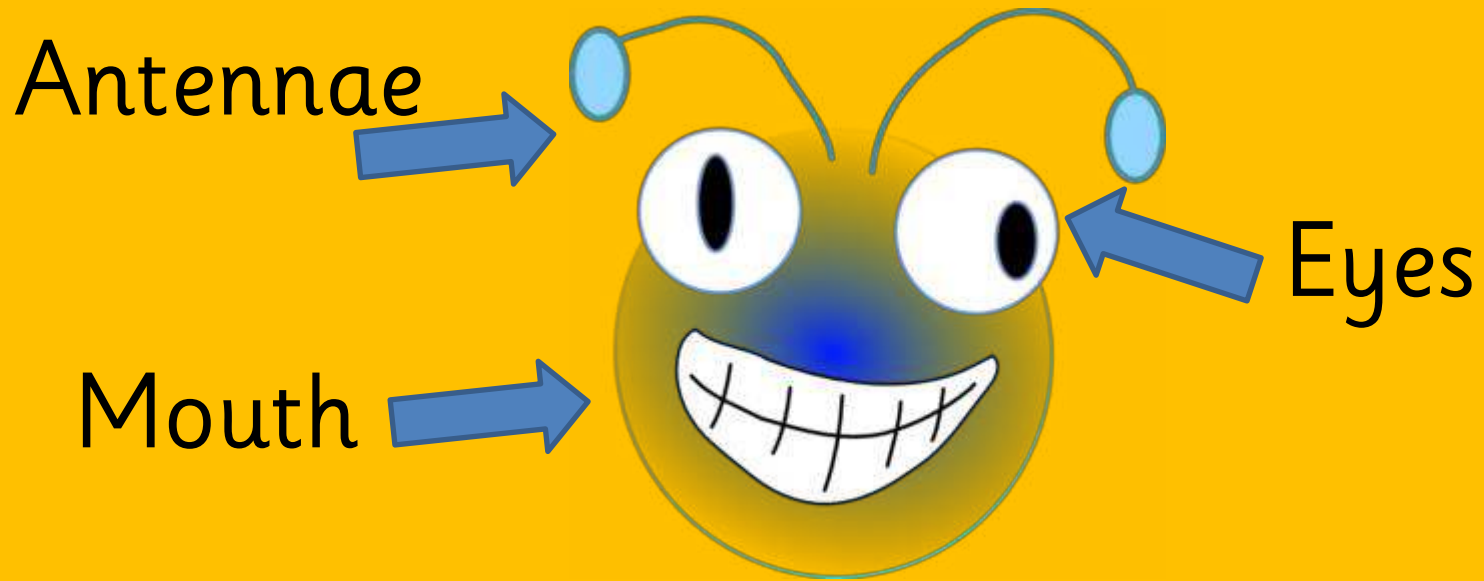


1. Head

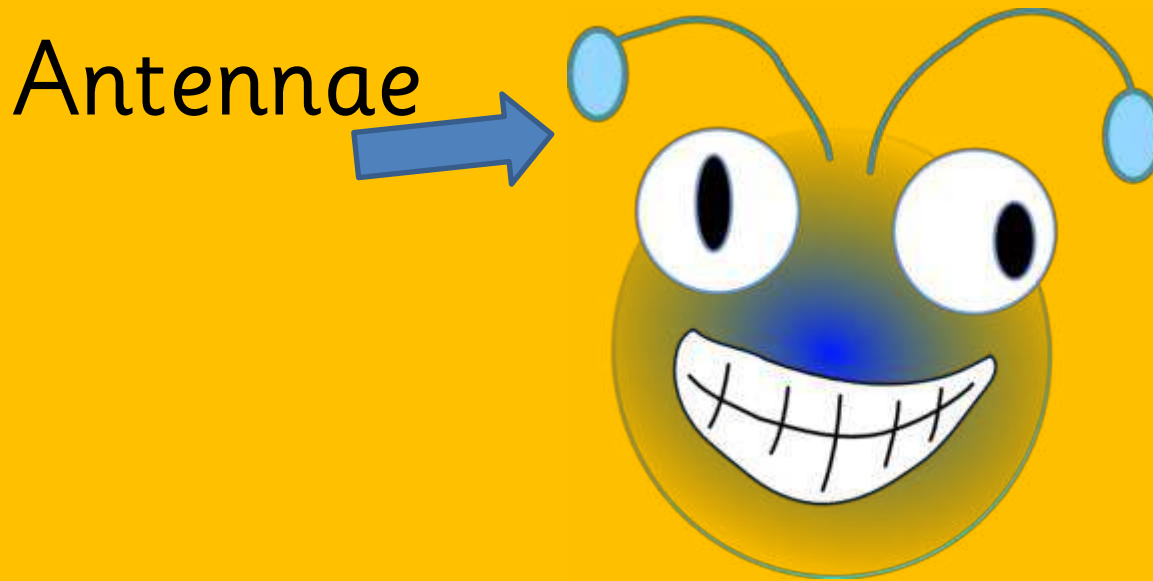
2. Thorax

3. Abdomen

Let's look more closely at the **head**...

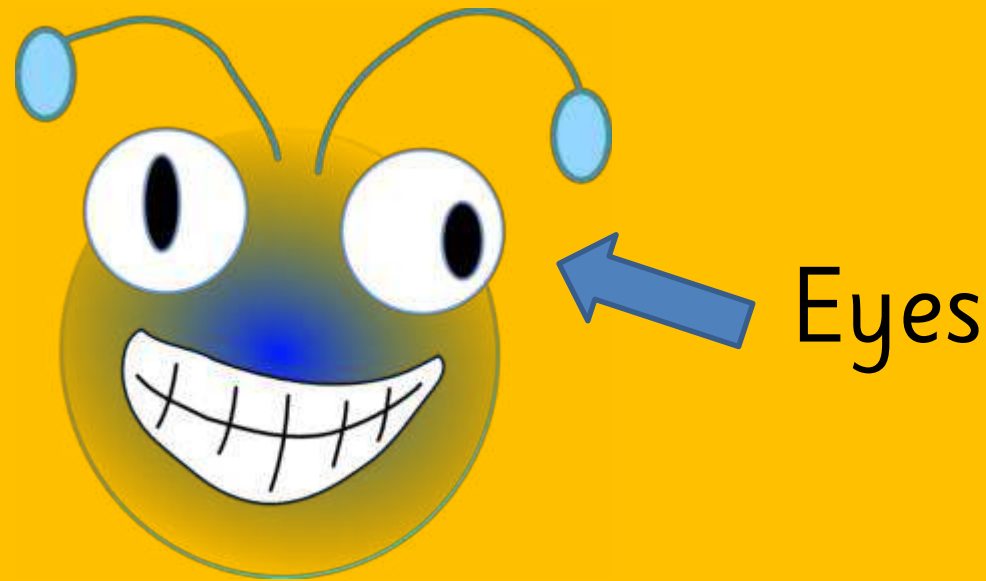


Antennae



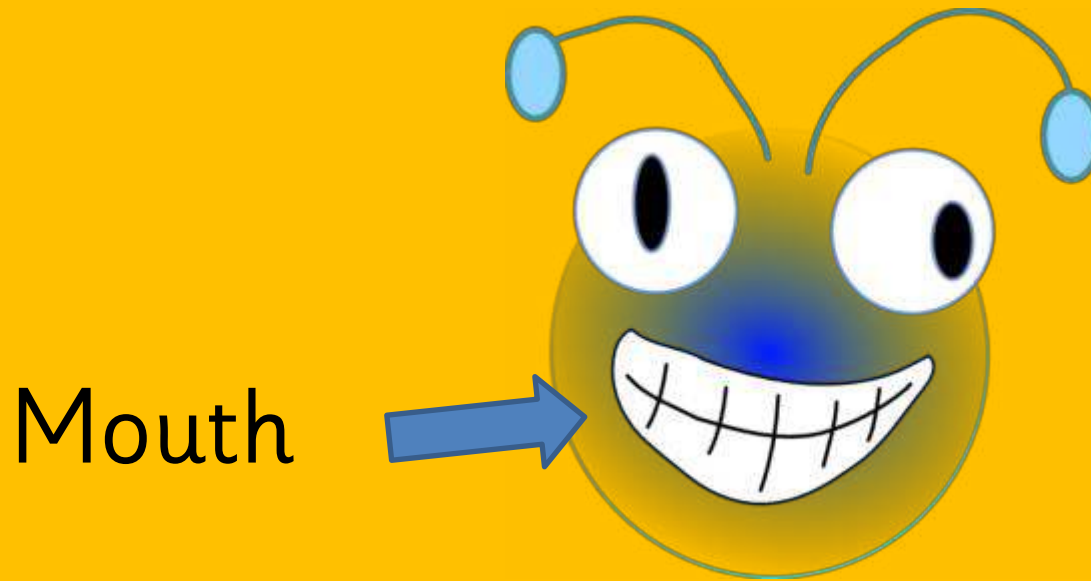
Insects use their antennae to smell, hear and feel vibrations. They even use them to find each other.

Eyes



Insects eyes are not like ours. Some of them have eyes with thousands of lenses which means no one can sneak up behind them!

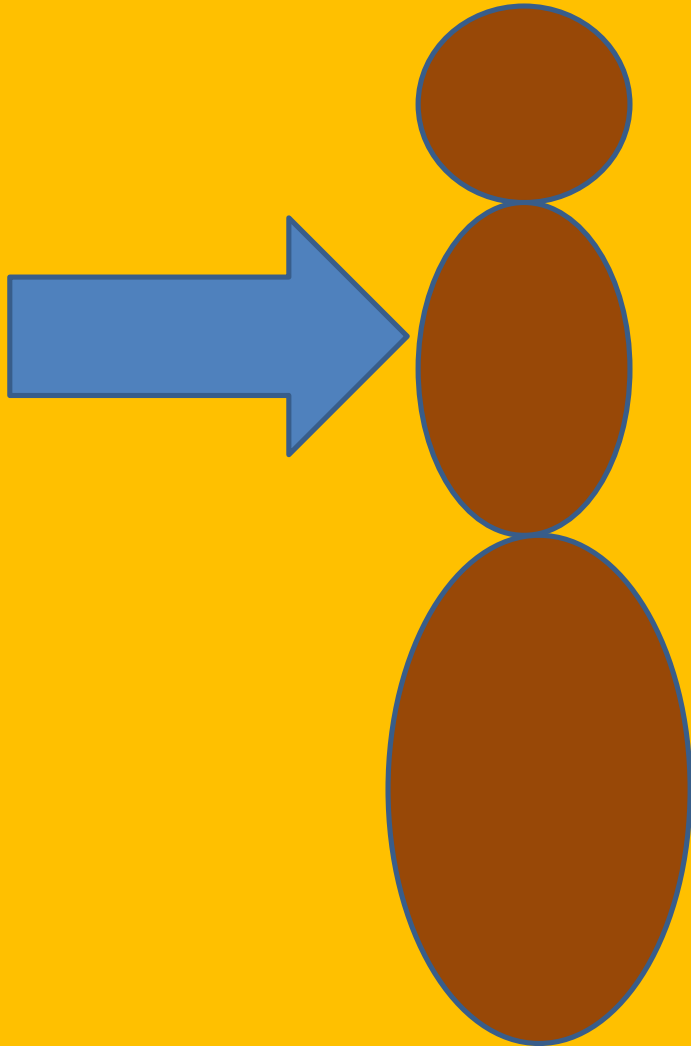
Mouth



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Not all insects mouths are the same.
Butterflies drink their food while ants
and beetles chew their food.

Let's look more closely at the **thorax**.



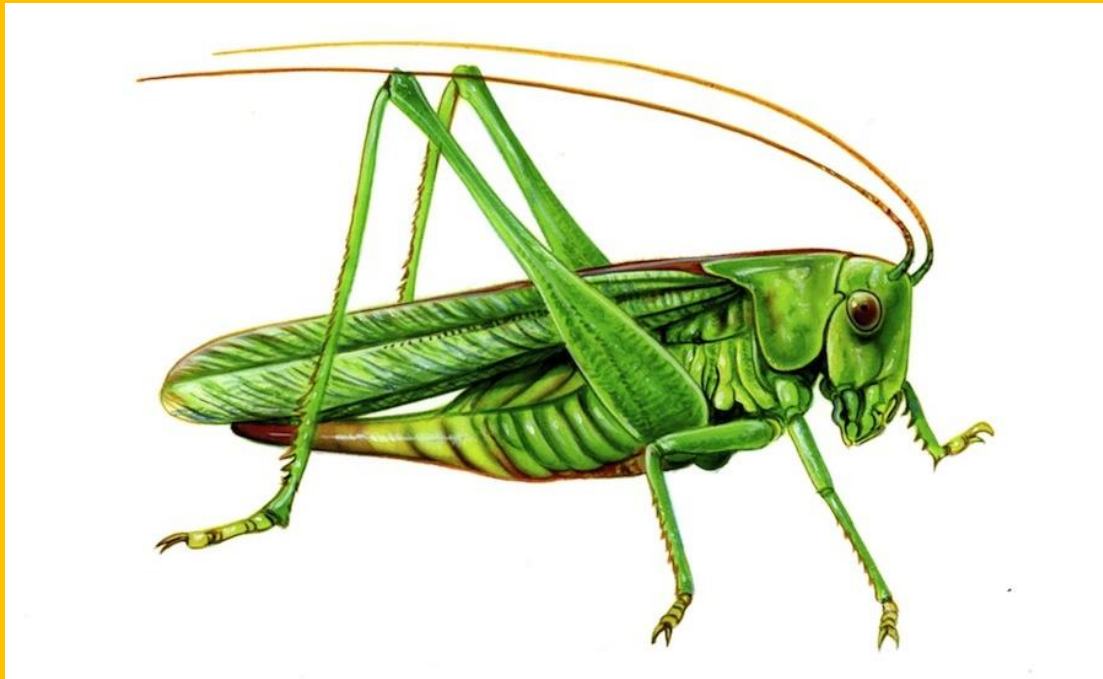
The thorax is where the insects legs are.



Grasshoppers use their back legs for... jumping.



Crickets use their front legs for... digging.



A praying mantis uses its front legs for... grabbing and holding.

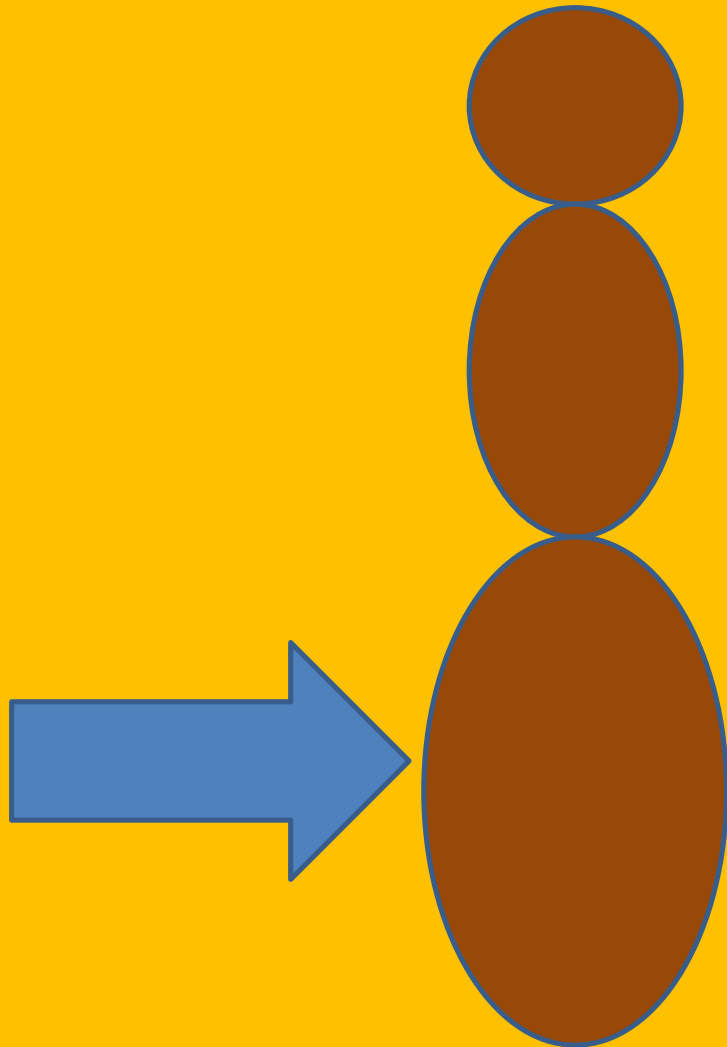


The thorax is also where an insects wings are.



Most insects have four wings like butterflies and dragonflies.

The last part of an insects body is the **abdomen**.



This is the part that helps insects breath, digest food and reproduce.

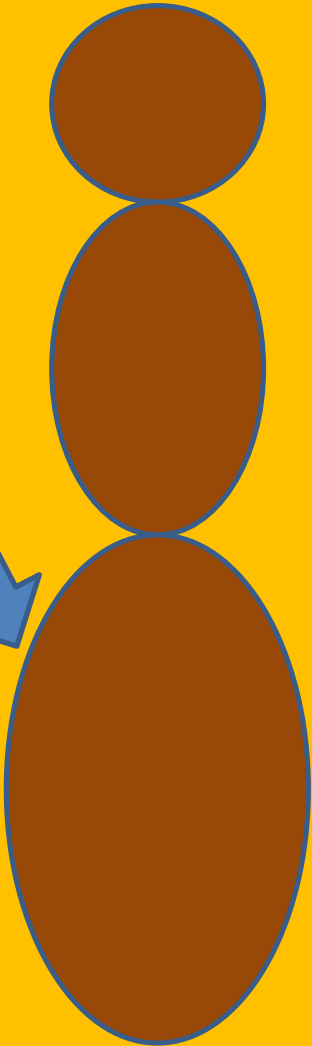


Amazing abdomen facts...

Stingers are found in the abdomen.



Insects breathe through tiny holes in the sides of their abdomens.



Challenge...

- **Understanding the World – Science**
 - Draw and label your favourite minibeast.

<https://education.abc.net.au/minibeast-games/>