

- 1** Read the descriptions and write the names of the minibeasts. Use the words in the box.

spider	grasshopper	earthworm	millipede
	dragonfly	honeybee	

- 1 This minibeast makes webs. It uses hair on its body to find its way. spider
- 2 This minibeast lives underground. _____
- 3 This minibeast has very long wings and glides on the wind. It lives on ponds. _____
- 4 This minibeast has 375 pairs of legs! _____
- 5 This minibeast has long back legs and can jump high in the air. _____
- 6 This insect has six legs and flaps its wings about 250 times a second to stay up in the air. _____

- 2** Order the sentences 1–6.

- ___ The chrysalis opens and the butterfly crawls out. It flies away.
- 1 A female butterfly lays some eggs on a leaf.
- ___ The caterpillars eat the leaves and grow bigger and bigger.
- ___ Each caterpillar makes a chrysalis around its body.
- ___ The eggs hatch and a caterpillar crawls out.
- ___ The caterpillar's body turns into a butterfly.

3 Draw a line under the correct word to complete the sentences.

- 1 Ants, wasps, butterflies and beetles are insects / slimy.
- 2 Every insect has **three** / **six** pairs of legs.
- 3 Most spiders have two rows of four eyes – that is **six** / **eight** eyes all together.
- 4 A water boatman lives in ponds and eats **nectar** / **tadpoles**.
- 5 **Hawk moths** / **Monarch butterflies** fly from Canada to California or Mexico – more than 3,000 kilometres.
- 6 Flies have two large eyes with hundreds of **tiny lenses** / **antennae**.

4 Read the sentences. Write T (true) or F (false).

- 1 Leeches are minibeasts that eat blood. T
- 2 Bees drink nectar and collect pollen from flowers. _____
- 3 Cockroaches eat almost anything. They eat rubbish in a bin. _____
- 4 Honeybees build hives. Inside, they make rows of tiny boxes out of honey. _____
- 5 A trapdoor spider lives in a burrow up in a tree. _____
- 6 Some spiders kill insects. They put in poison with their fangs. _____



- 5** Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

live	catch	eat	be	have	stick
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- 1 A wasp sticks its sting into an enemy and then poisons it.
- 2 The mantis grabs the small insect and _____ it.
- 3 A hawk moth _____ eyes on its wings. They look scary to birds.
- 4 The bird-eater spider _____ one of the biggest spiders in the world.
- 5 The bird-eater spider _____ in a burrow and comes out at night.
- 6 The bird-eater _____ lizards and small birds.

- 6** Complete the sentences with the correct word: *up, in, under* or *on*.

- 1 Some minibeasts live on land.
- 2 Some minibeasts live _____ ponds, rivers or the sea.
- 3 Some types of spider, snail and beetle live _____ the water.
- 4 A grasshopper can jump high _____ the air.
- 5 A water boatman lies _____ its back and uses its back legs to swim.
- 6 Some minibeasts do not travel far. Some crawl _____ a plant stem.