



*Bugs, Butterflies, Worms,
and Spiders*

Vocabulary Builders



Abdomen: the end section of an insect



Annelids: segmented animals like earthworms, leeches, and marine worms. They are not insects.



Antennae: an organ that insects use to help sense what is in their environment



Arachnids: spiders, animals that have two body segments and eight legs. Many land spiders are known for the ability to spin webs. They are not insects.



Chrysalis: cocoon or the covering that protects the pupa while it goes through metamorphosis



Exoskeleton: the hard body-covering insects have to support their structure instead of bones



Habitat: the home environment of a creature



Insects: animals with three distinctive body segments—head, thorax, and abdomen. Insects have six legs.



Invertebrates: animals with no interior skeleton/bone system



Larvae: young growth stage of an insect. The larva stage follows the egg stage. The larva stage for the butterfly is the caterpillar.



Metamorphosis: the change process that insects undergo to become adults

Pupa: young growth stage of an insect, which may be covered by a cocoon

Spinnerets: the organ that spiders have that make webs

Thorax: the middle section of an insect

