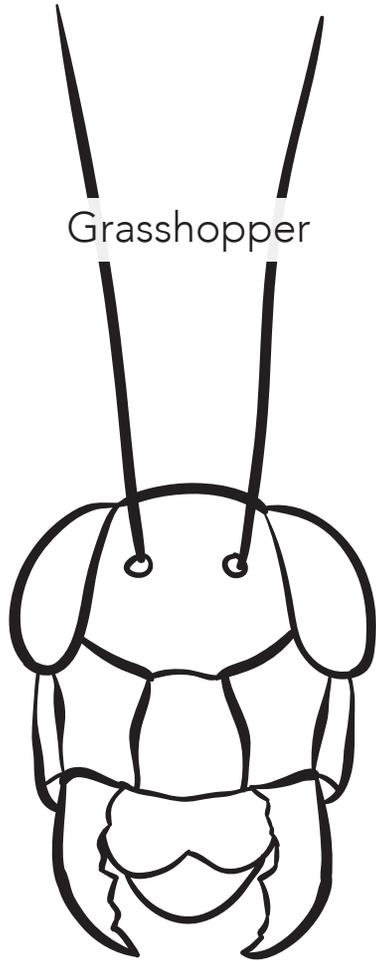


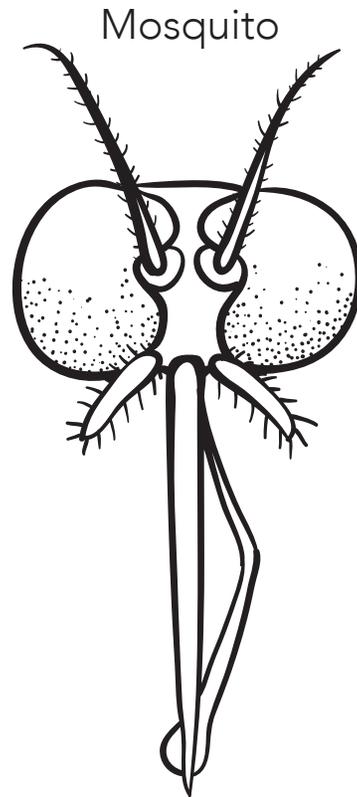
Insect Mouthparts

Insects have a wide variety of mouthparts that have evolved with their food sources. In some insects they are like teeth and chew up food. In other insects, the mouthparts are specialized for sucking, sponging, rasping, piercing, biting and siphoning.



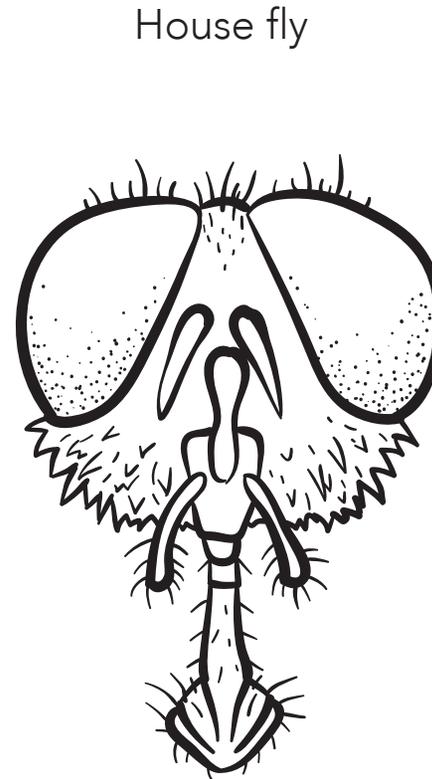
Grasshopper

Chewing



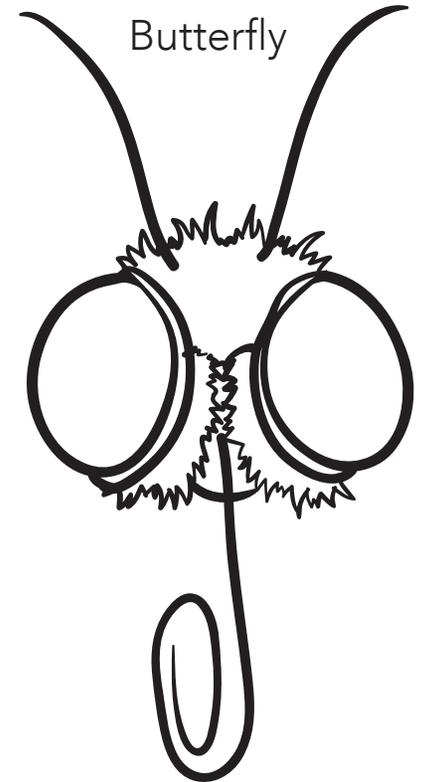
Mosquito

Piercing-Sucking



House fly

Sponging



Butterfly

Siphoning