Animal Life Cycles

Grade 3 Science Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

Circle the answer.

1. Which list shows a mosquito's life cycle in order?

   egg → pupa → larva → adult egg → larva → pupa → adult

   egg → nymph → adult → pupa larva → egg → pupa → adult

2. A dog does not lay eggs. How does a puppy's life cycle begin?

   it starts as a larva

   it begins as a tadpole in water

   it is born alive from its mother

   it hatches from an egg in a nest

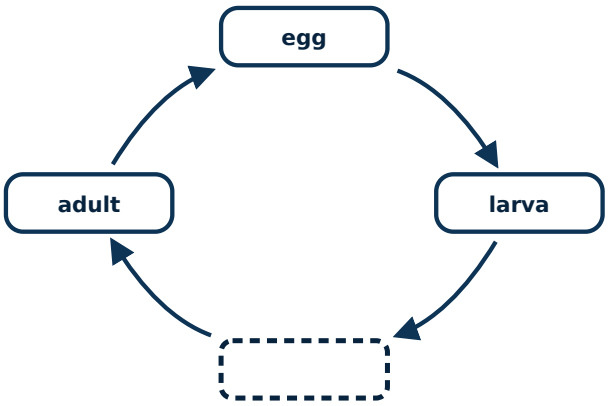
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5. Look at the ladybug life cycle. Which stage is missing?



   nymph hatchling tadpole pupa

6. Salmon hatch in a stream, swim to the ocean, and then return to the stream as adults. Why do they return?

- to grow gills for the first time
- to find warmer ocean water
- to turn back into young salmon
- to lay eggs where they hatched

7. How is a frog's life cycle like a butterfly's?

- both breathe with gills as adults
- the young look very different from the adult
- both lay eggs on leaves
- both have a chrysalis stage

8. Which animal goes through a pupa stage?

a frog a ladybug a grasshopper a sea turtle

9. A dragonfly nymph lives in a pond for months. What does it do when it is ready to become an adult?

- grows a shell like a snail
- climbs out of the water and sheds its skin
- lays eggs on the pond bottom
- builds a chrysalis under the water

10. Which stage of a butterfly eats the most and grows the fastest?

the chrysalis the caterpillar the egg the adult butterfly

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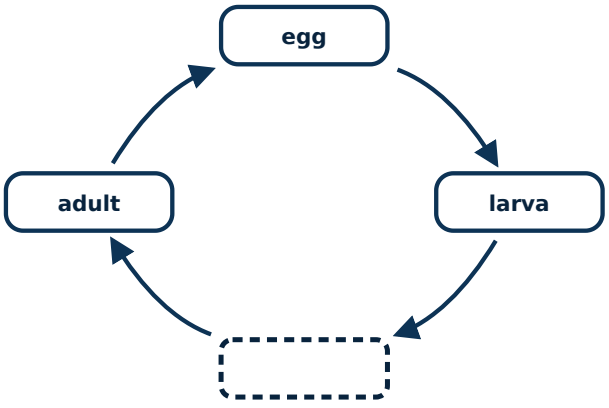
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