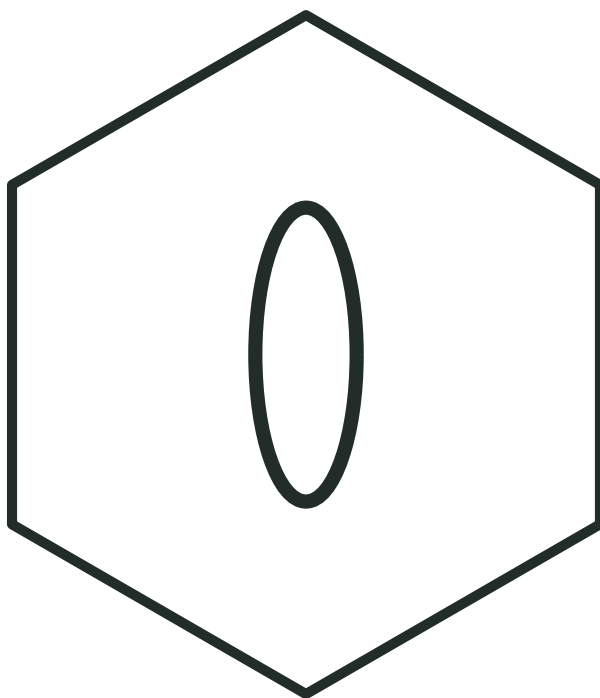


Egg

Color the honeycomb cell. Find the small egg inside.



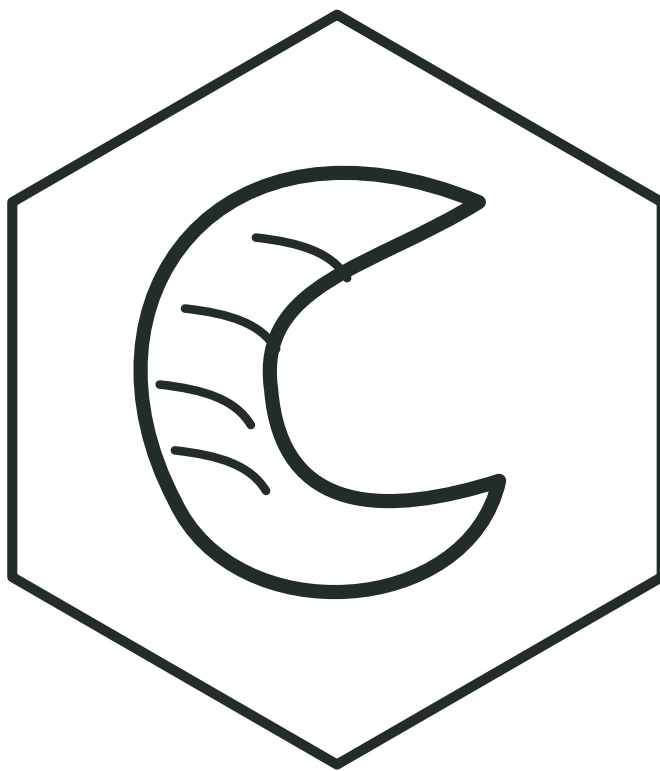
EGG

Name: _____

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Larva

Color the curved larva. Look for its soft, legless body.



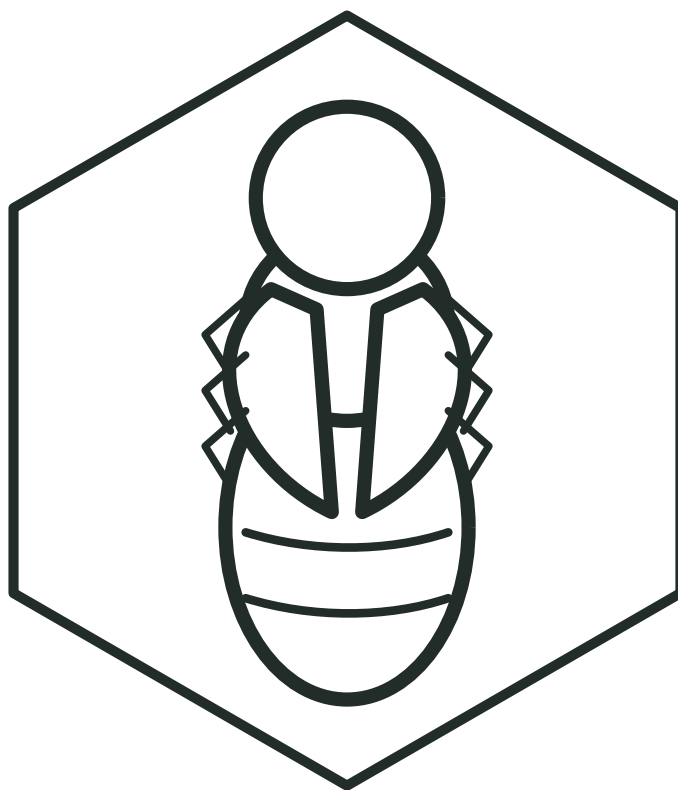
LARVA

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Pupa

Color the pupa. Look for the developing legs and wings.



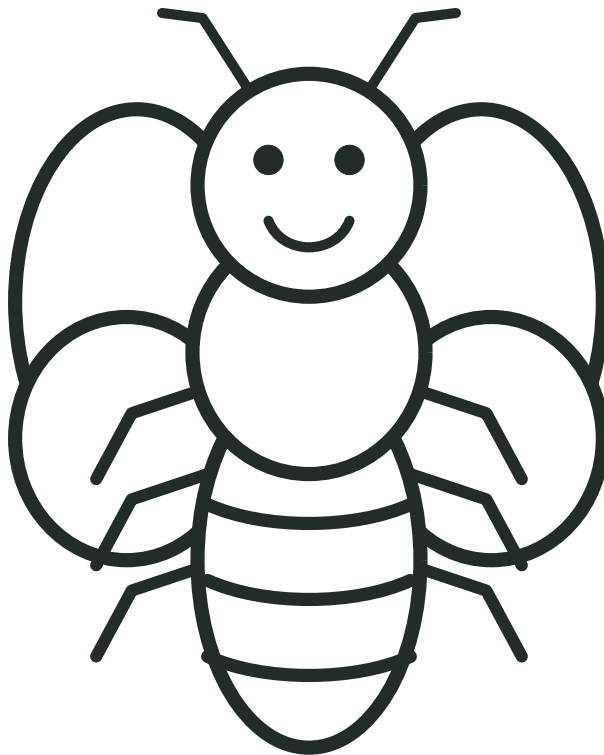
PUPA

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Adult Honey Bee

Color the bee. Count six legs and four wings.



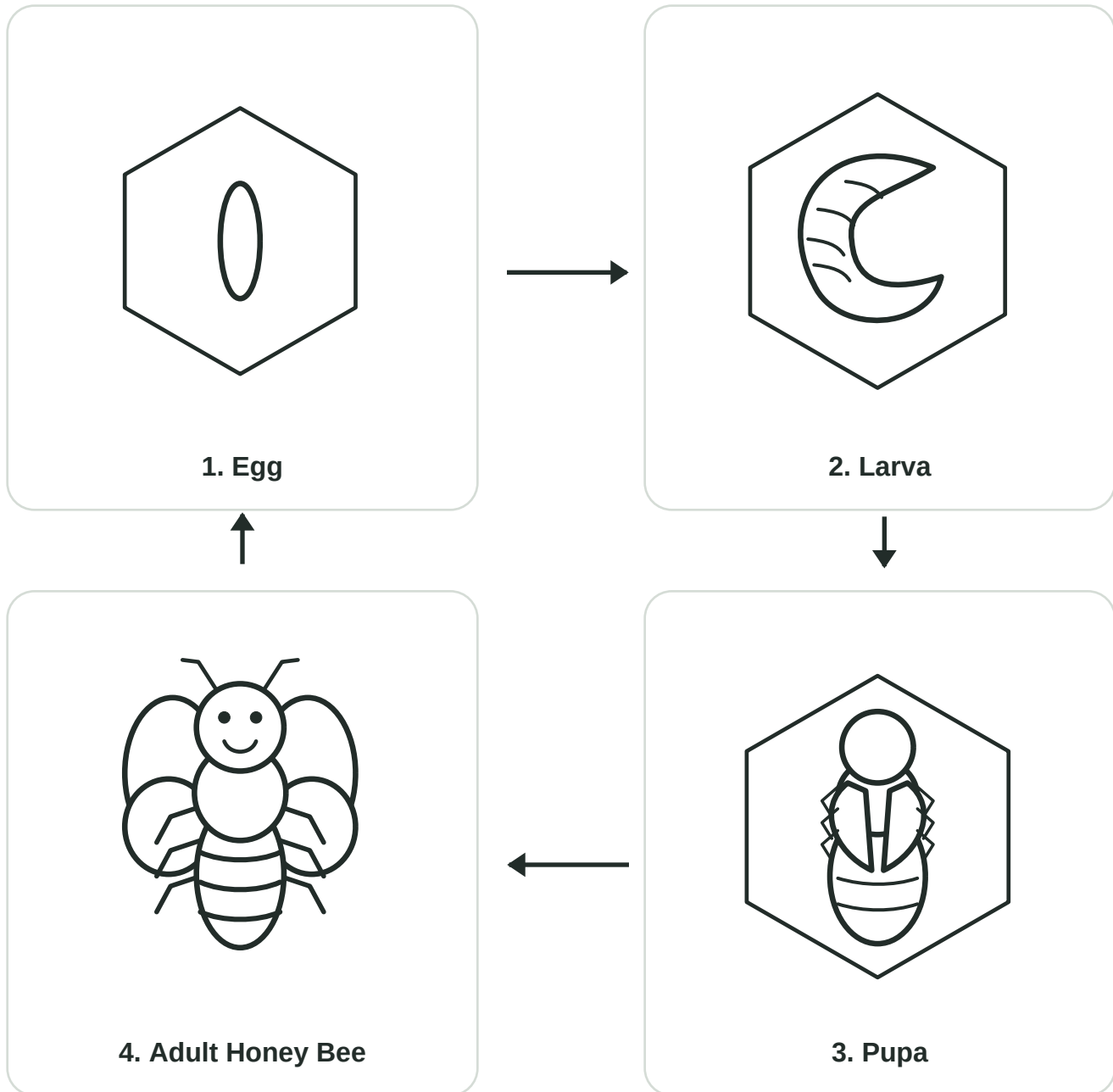
ADULT HONEY BEE

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The Whole Life Cycle

Start at the egg. Follow the arrows and say each stage.

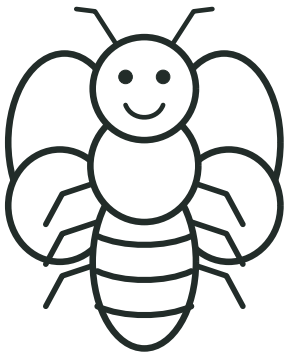


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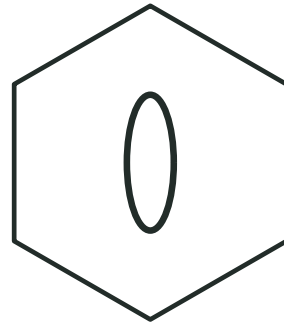
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Put the Stages in Order

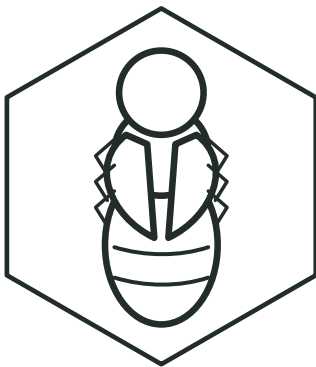
Write 1 to 4 in the boxes. Start with the egg.



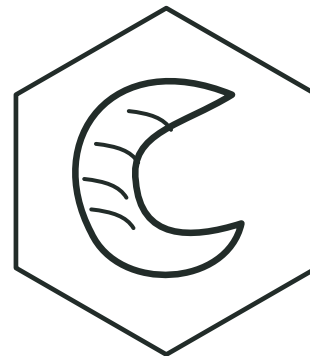
Adult Honey Bee



Egg



Pupa



Larva

Write 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the boxes.

Name: _____

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Honey Bee Life Cycle Coloring Pages

A simple plan, answer key and trustworthy reading.

Suggested level: Ages 3-5 with an adult | Naming life stages and putting events in order

GET READY

- Read the stage names aloud together.
- Color a stage and talk about what changes.
- Use the cycle page first, then try the ordering page.

SHEET-BY-SHEET NOTES

01 / Egg: A larva hatches from the egg.

02 / Larva: The larva has no legs or wings. Next comes the pupa.

03 / Pupa: The pupa changes toward an adult inside a capped cell. It does not feed.

04 / Adult Honey Bee: An adult honey bee has six legs and two pairs of wings: four wings.

05 / The Whole Life Cycle: Egg -> Larva -> Pupa -> Adult Honey Bee. The cycle starts again with eggs.

06 / Put the Stages in Order: Reading left to right, top row then bottom row: 4, 1, 3, 2.

TEACHING NOTES

- Egg, larva, pupa, and adult are the four stages. The larva is legless; the pupa has developing adult body parts.
- The pupa drawing is a cutaway view inside a cell that is normally capped. It must look different from the larva.
- The adult drawing shows a worker. In a typical colony the queen lays eggs; the cycle arrow does not mean every worker lays eggs. Development times vary by caste.

READ MORE / FACT CHECKING

Purdue Extension: The Complex Life of the Honey Bee

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Arizona State University: Honey bee anatomy

<https://askabiologist.asu.edu/honey-bee-anatomy>