

Characteristics of an Insect

Name: _____

There are more insects than people on the earth! Most insects hatch from eggs.

Insects have three body sections – a head, a thorax and an abdomen. Their three pairs of legs are attached to the middle section of their body, the thorax.

They have one pair of antennae which they use to touch and smell the world around them.

Usually insects have one or two pairs of wings.

Spiders are not insects.

Insects have compound eyes.

Label this insect using the words in the wordbank.

WORD BANK

thorax

wings

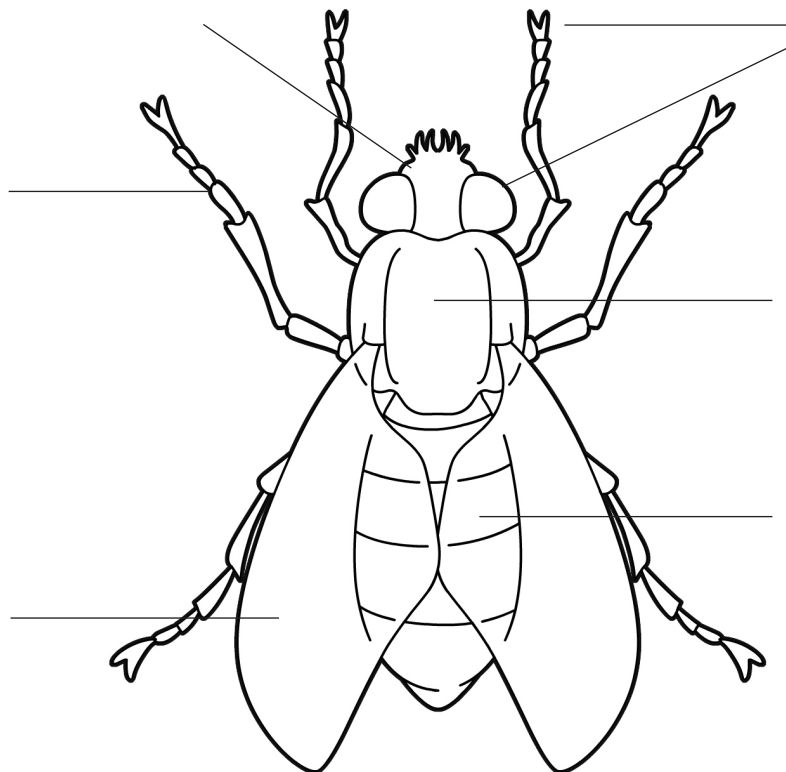
abdomen

head

compound eyes

antennae

legs



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Write down the names of as many insects you can think of below:

Draw your favourite insect in the space below. Label its main body parts and write its name.

