



# Camouflaging Insects

## Materials:

- Scissors
- Tape
- Marker for tracing
- Different colored paper
- Stencils (outlines provided)

*Note: Some students may benefit from the insects being cut out ahead of time. Alternatively, an adult can hide the cut-out insects around the room and children can search for them; difficulty can be added depending on how well the insects blend in with each location.*

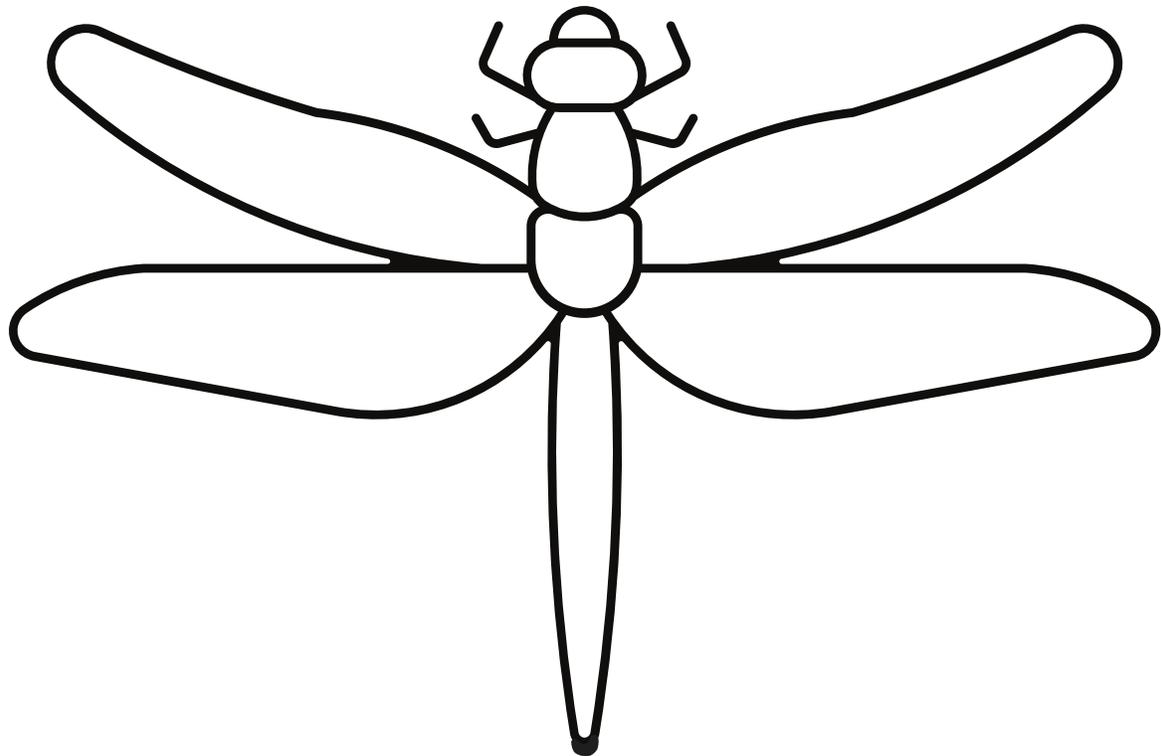
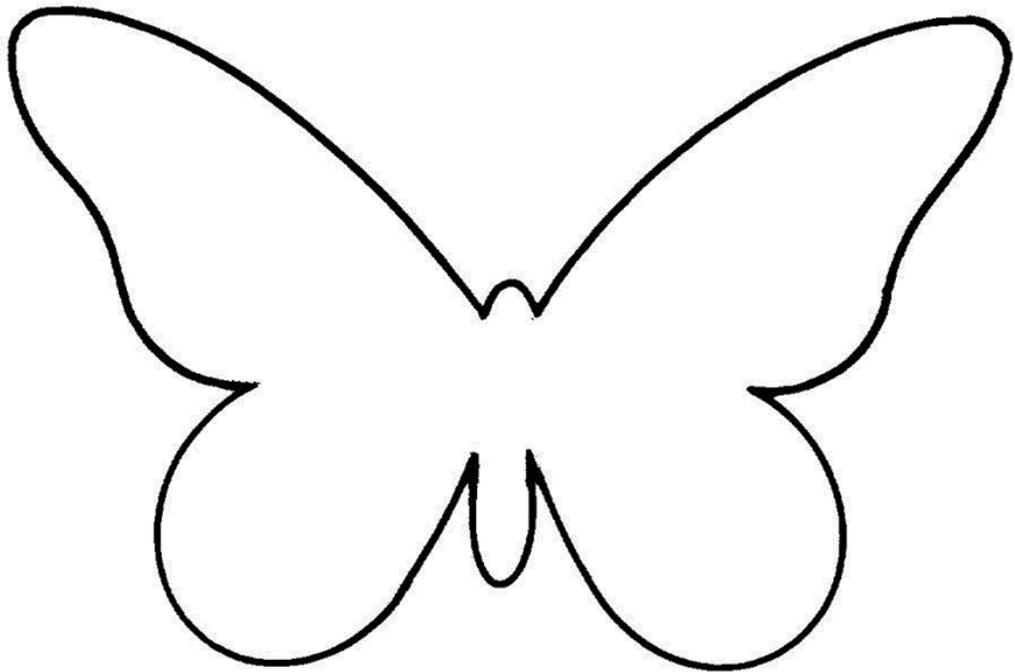
## Directions:

1. Cut out the insect stencils on the following pages. On paper of different colors, trace the outer outline of the insects using a marker.
2. Cut out the traced insects.
3. Hide the insects throughout the room, using tape if necessary. Try to hide the insects on or around similarly-colored items!
4. Have participants pretend to be predators and look for the insect(s).
5. Discuss how camouflage helps protect insects from predators.





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