

Drawing Insects in Pencil



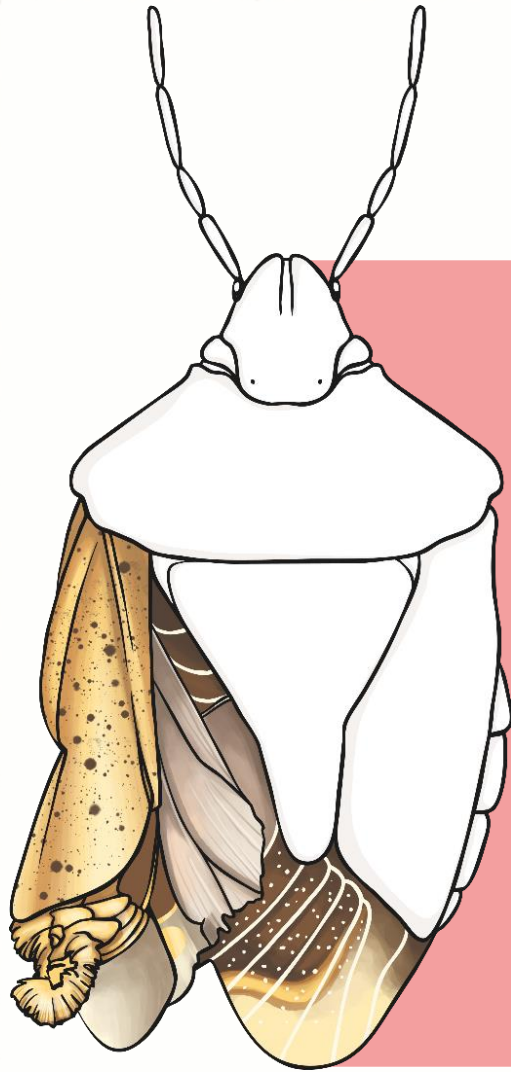
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Insect Art



Look at your image.

What can you see in the photograph?

Which colours are used?

When was it made?

What is it made of?

Why do you think the artist made it?

What kinds of insects can you see in the painting?

How does the image make you feel?

Which of the artworks you have seen today would you have in your home? Why?



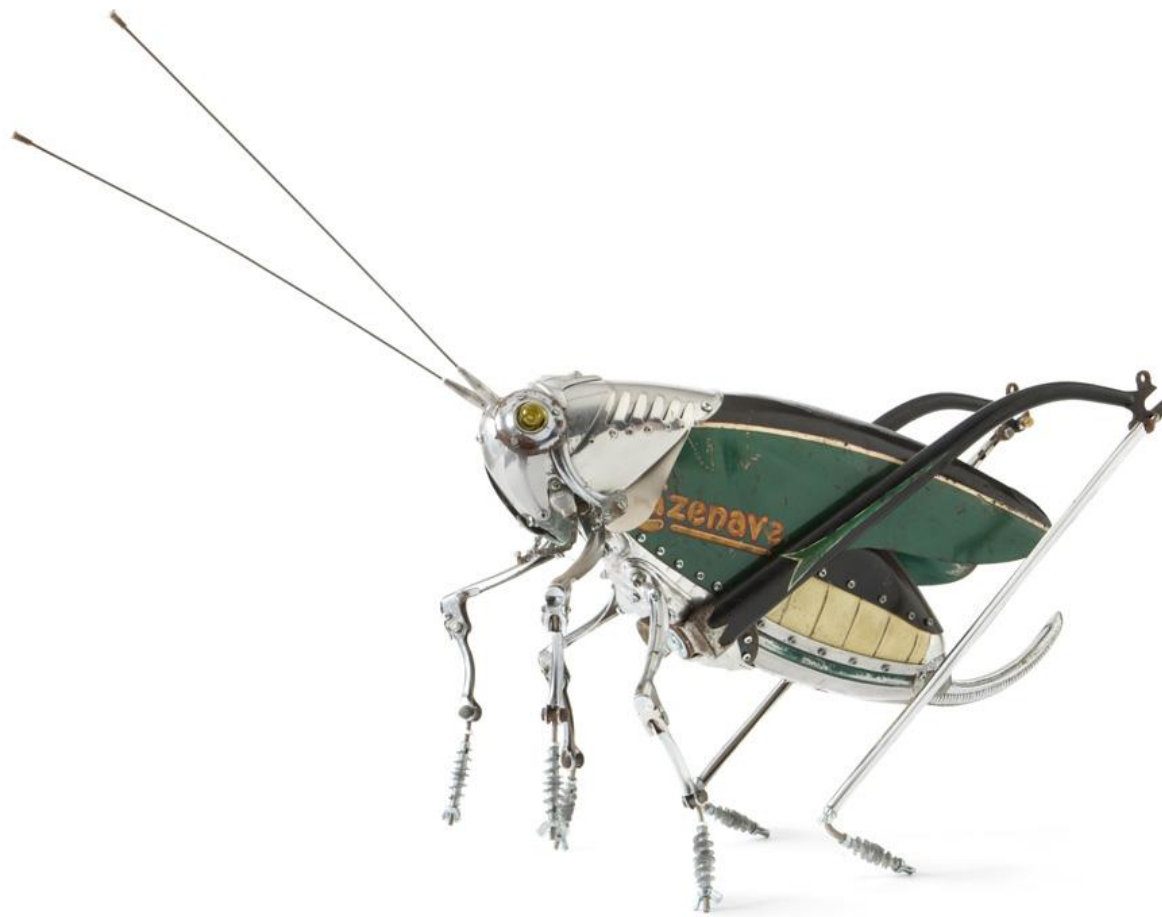
Dawn and Twilight (1901)
by Emile Galle

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**A Swallowtail, a Red Admiral and Other
Insects with Shells and a Sprig of Borage (1659)**
by Jan van Kessel the Elder

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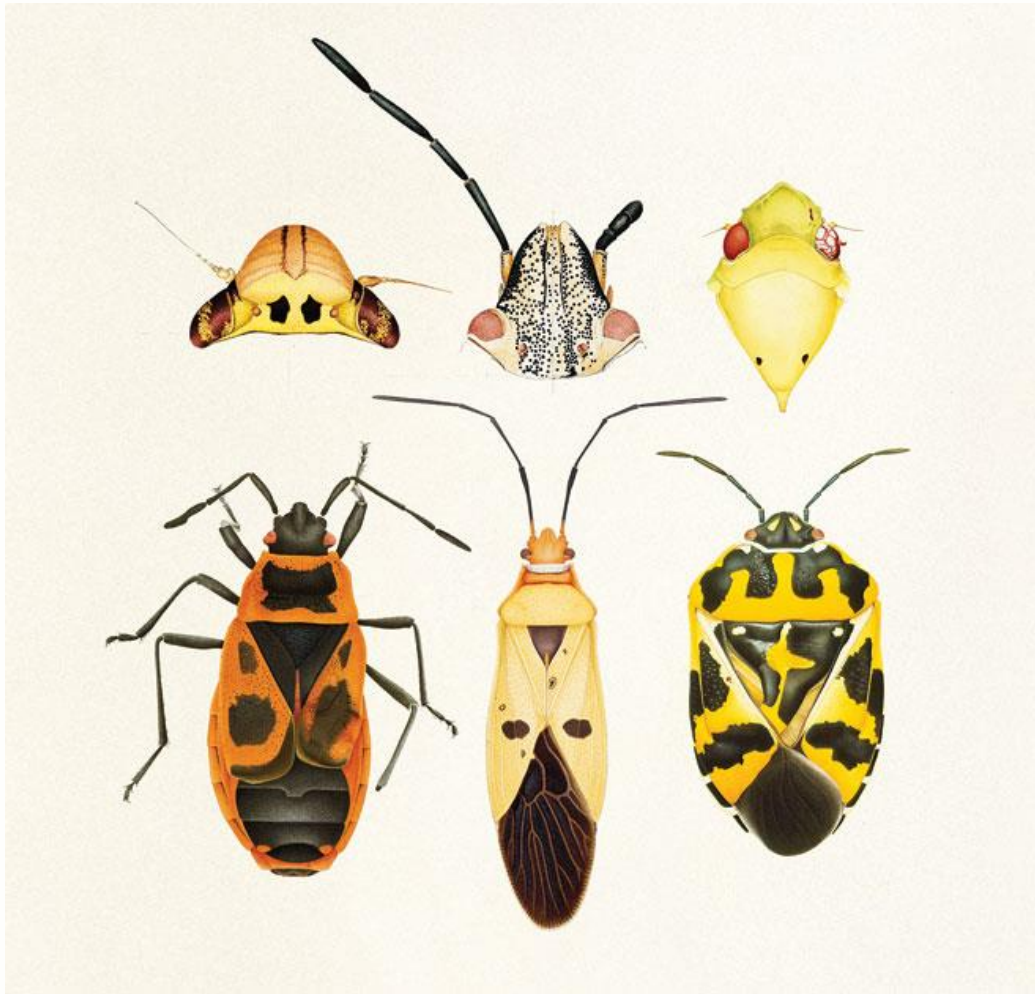
Grasshopper
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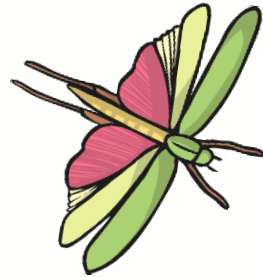
Mutated Bugs
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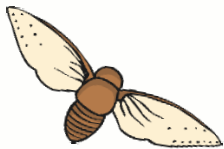


All insects have 3 body parts: thorax, abdomen and head.



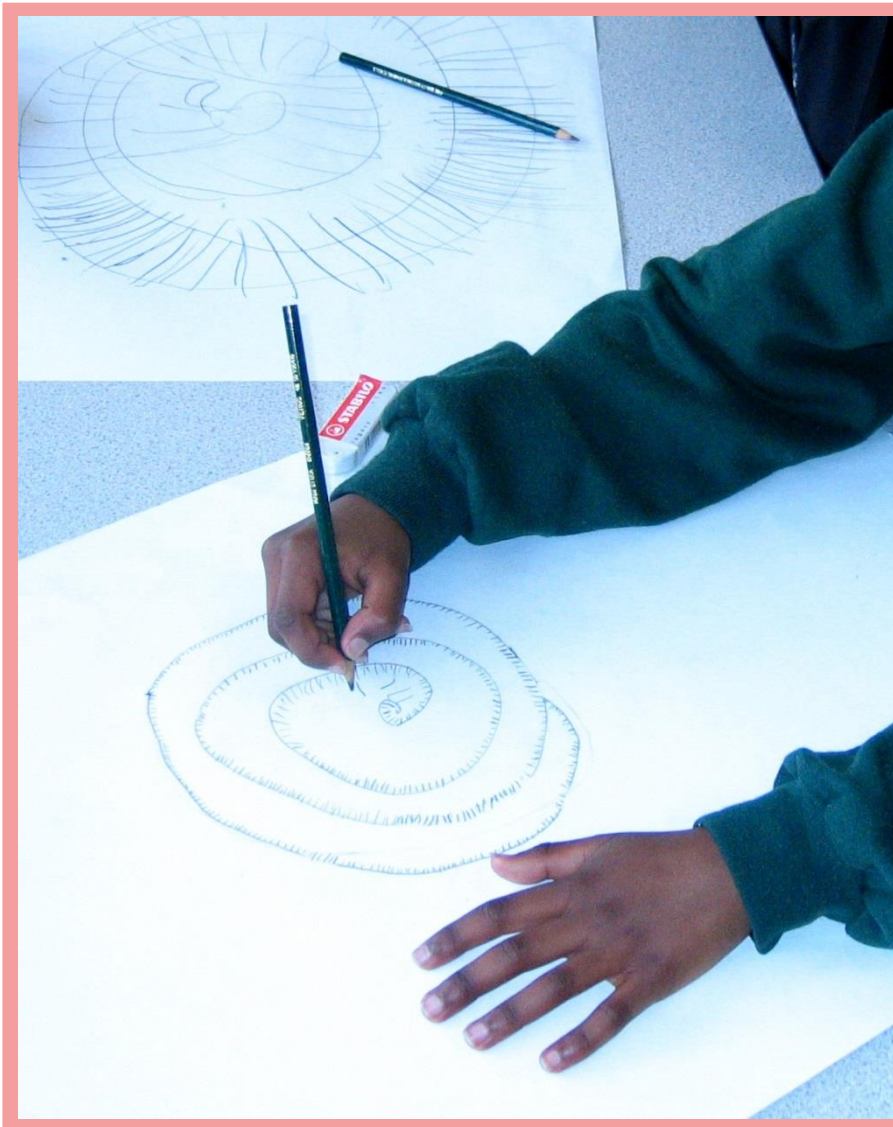
Each body part can be a different size depending on the insect – some insects have bigger heads, others have bigger thoraxes etc.

All insects have six legs.



Some have antennae and wings.





What a good insect drawing looks like...

Look carefully at the shapes you can see. Start your sketch with these basic shapes. Once you have the basic shapes, you can then begin to start adding detail using your pencil. Remember when we sketch, we use our pencil lightly.