Science Fables

The Six Leg Secret

Story Quiz

This quiz follows Ava and Leo as they learn the main features that make an animal an insect.

1. What are the three main parts of an insect's body?

A. Head, thorax, and abdomen
B. Head, wings, and tail
C. Thorax, shell, and legs
D. Abdomen, antennae, and feet

2. Where are an insect's six legs attached?

A. To the head
B. To the abdomen
C. To the thorax
D. To the wings

3. What do antennae help insects do?

A. Sense the world around them
B. Breathe underwater
C. Grow new legs
D. Make food

4. Why is a spider not an insect?

A. It has no legs
B. It has eight legs and only two main body parts
C. It has wings
D. It has a backbone

5. Which clue best shows that a small animal is probably an insect?

A. It has three body parts, six legs, and antennae
B. It has eight legs and no antennae
C. It has fur and four legs
D. It has fins and gills

Answer Key

1. A — Head, thorax, and abdomen

The three main parts of an insect's body are the head, thorax, and abdomen.

2. C — To the thorax

An insect's six legs are attached to the thorax.

3. A — Sense the world around them

Antennae help insects sense the world around them.

4. B — It has eight legs and only two main body parts

A spider is not an insect because it has eight legs and only two main body parts.

5. A — It has three body parts, six legs, and antennae

A small animal is probably an insect if it has three body parts, six legs, and antennae.