

Lesson 6: Odonata I

Order Facts

- Odonata [Greek: οδοντος] means “toothed”
- Dragonflies and Damselflies
- Incomplete metamorphosis
- Characteristics: water nymphs and needle-like abdomen

Reading and Questions

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1. Why are dragonflies not easy to catch? _____

2. What other insects are “cousins” of the dragonfly? _____

3. Describe the dragonfly’s wings. _____

4. Describe the dragonfly’s body, or abdomen. _____
5. Where may dragonflies be found? _____

6. What does the mother dragonfly do with her eggs? _____

7. What is the dragonfly nymph’s way of catching food like? _____

8. How is a dragonfly nymph like a steamboat? _____

9. What happens to the dragonfly as time gets nearer for it to come out of the water as an adult?

