

Kindergarten

Dragonfly Activity – We start the activity by reading “Are you a Dragonfly?” or “The Secret Life of Streams”. The books explain the dragonfly lifecycle, how the dragonfly starts its life off in the water and ends it with a set of beautiful wings. Then students make a dragonfly craft with a clothes pin body, colorful paper, pipe cleaner and ribbon. This is a great educational activity and fun for all.

Standards: SKL2

Caddisfly Activity - Students are read the book “The Secret Life of Streams” by Lynell Marie Garfield. The book teaches about the characteristics and lifecycles of mayflies, stoneflies, caddisflies, dragonflies, dobsonflies and midgeflies in a fun story. Then we focus in on Rocky the case building caddisfly and show the students pictures of different cases made by caddisflies. Then students create their own unique case out of rocks, sticks and other craft items. **Standards: SKL2**

A great way to teach/reinforce lessons on insects that start their life off in the water and transform into a winged insect (such as the dragonfly) is by the use of this resource:

http://extension.usu.edu/files/publications/publication/NR_WQ_Edu_2005-01.pdf

It is a free downloadable coloring book called **Bugs Don't Bug Me!** It has coloring pages, match adults to babies, a maze and word find.