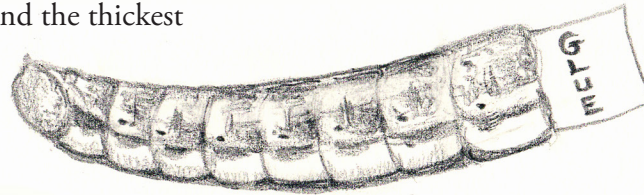


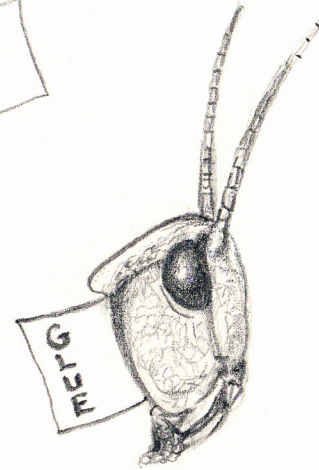
Construct a Marsh Meadow Grasshopper

Cut out the pictures of Grasshopper's Head, Thorax, and Abdomen. Cut as close or as far away from the outer contour lines as you think best. Glue the parts together so that the result looks like a healthy grasshopper. Tie a colorful length of yarn around Grasshopper's middle and take your new pet for a walk - or hop...

Abdomen - Important location of organs dedicated to digestion and reproduction. Attach this tab to the back of the Thorax - below the wings and behind the thickest part of the large third jumping leg.



Head - This is of course the front of the animal's body. Glue its tab directly under the front section of the Thorax. Notice how many of the main sense organs (such as the eyes and antennae) are located on the head. This allows the animal to gather information in advance about the spaces into which he or she might travel. Perhaps surprisingly, Grasshopper's ears are not located on the head. Instead, they're on either side of the creature's abdomen, just behind the area where the abdomen joins the thorax.



Thorax - Notice how the main structures for movement (the three pairs of legs and the two pairs of wings) are attached to this middle section of the insect's body.

