Grow As We Go

Directions: Make a class set of **Grow As We Go** life cycle cards by copying the illustrations below onto card stock and cutting them apart. You may opt to mount each set of life cycle cards on a different color of construction paper for younger children. Color and laminate, if desired. To prepare for Step 2 of the procedure, select one (or more) life cycle(s) to feature. For very young children, you may want to focus on one life cycle at



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a time and introduce other activities to further explore the animal's life cycle before introducing the life cycle of another animal. In this case, Step 3 may be a culminating activity after all desired life cycles have been explored. Refer to the chart following the cards on page 83 for the proper order of the stages in each life cycle. To prepare for Step 3, choose two cards for each animal you wish to include in the matching game—a juvenile and the adult—and make enough copies of them so that every child will have one card. For older children you may opt to include all cards in a number of life cycles. In this case, make sure there are enough cards so that each child will have one and that all the children will match up with a life cycle group.



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Order of Life Cycle Stages

 Butterfly Eggs ⇒ Caterpillars ⇒ Chrysalis ⇒ Butterfly

 Ladybug Eggs ⇒ Ladybug Larva ⇒ Ladybug Pupa ⇒ Ladybug

 Grasshopper Eggs ⇒ Grasshopper Nymph ⇒ Grasshopper

 Frog Eggs ⇒ Tadpoles ⇒ Tadpole with Legs ⇒ Froglet with Tail ⇒ Frog

 Bass Eggs ⇒ Bass Larvae ⇒ Juvenile Bass ⇒ Adult Bass

 Turtle Eggs ⇒ Juvenile Turtle ⇒ Adult Turtle

 Bird Eggs ⇒ Chicks ⇒ Bird

 Squirrel Fetuses ⇒ Juvenile Squirrels ⇒ Adult Squirrel