

## THE LIFE CYCLE OF INSECTS

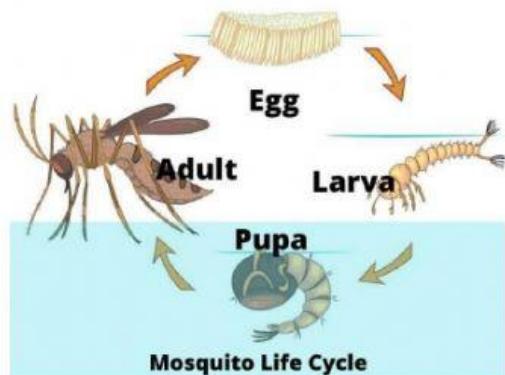
A **life cycle** is the time from birth to adult life. There are two types of life cycles in insects- complete metamorphosis and incomplete metamorphosis. Metamorphosis is the changes that an animal goes through to become an adult.

**Complete Metamorphosis** has four

stages which are:

1. Egg
2. Larva
3. Pupa
4. Adult

Some animals that goes through complete metamorphosis are butterflies, houseflies, mosquitoes and ants.



**Incomplete Metamorphosis** has three stages which are:

1. Egg
2. Nymph
3. Adult

Some animals that go through incomplete metamorphosis are: cockroaches, grasshoppers, crickets and dragonflies

**Life Cycle of an American Cockroach**

