Activity #1: Can you find a boneless animal that’s not an insect? Tell a staff member about your findings.

Activity #2: Why do scientists pin insects? What can we learn from insects?

Get your August stamp at the Visitor Services Desks. Do you have eight stamps yet? If you do, it’s time to collect your prize in the Academy Shop!

Can you find all of these words?

- bumblebee
- cockroach
- cricket
- dragonfly
- earwig
- fireant
- fruitfly
- gnat
- grasshopper
- hornet
- junebug
- locust
- mantis
- moth
- silkworm
- termite
- wasp
- yellowjacket
Are you an Insect Expert?
Draw a line from each sentence to “True” or “False” to find out!

1. The praying mantis is the only insect that can turn its head.
2. A cockroach can live for two months without its head!
3. Honeybees have hairs on their eyes.
4. A slug has four noses.
5. Only female crickets can chirp.
6. Locusts can eat their own weight in food in a day.
7. The spittlebug lays its eggs in saliva bubbles.
8. The common garden worm has five pairs of hearts.
9. Dinosaurs are older than the first cockroach fossil.
10. There are over 1 million insect species identified.

Answers:
1. T, 2. F (up to 3 weeks), 3. T, 4. T, 5. F (only male crickets can chirp), 6. T, 7. T, 8. F (the earlier cockroach fossil is 280 million years old, 80 million years older than the first dinosaurs!), 9. F, 10. T

Do you have a question about the natural world?
Email kidspage@ansp.org and your question might be answered in the next issue of Academy Frontiers, our member magazine!