Tools of the Trade: Make Your Own Collection Kit

Collecting insects can be a fun and educational experience for the entire family. There are some supplies you will need for your collecting kit that you might need to gather before you go collecting.

Know before you begin
- This activity can be done inside
- All supplies are easy to find, substitute or leave out entirely
- Adult supervision is recommended
- Please choose a safe space to play

Materials
- Containers to hold your specimens while collecting
- Notebook
- Pencil
- Tweezers
- Sturdy net
- Kaufman field guide to insects of North America (to identify the insects you find) or other identification guide
- Washable, water-resistant bag

Instructions
- Gather your supplies.
- Pack your collection kit.