An insect is a small animal with six legs. Its body is divided into three main parts—head, thorax, and abdomen. An insect has a hard outer covering called and exoskeleton. Most insects have wings and a pair of antennae. Insects go through metamorphosis or change. The stages of metamorphosis are egg, larva, pupa, and adult. Some insects are the butterfly, ladybug, bee, dragonfly and praying mantis.

1. An insect has three body parts. They are:

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2. What is their exoskeleton? _________________________________

3. They go through a change called _____________________________.

4. Circle the insects below.
bumblebee     kittens     mouse     ladybug     moth     spider

5. Write the four stages of an insect on the lines. ____________________________

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** Add a ladybug to the insects above. Color all the pictures.

** Highlight the "star" words in the writing.