

Pond Food Chains

All animals and plants need food to grow and move.

Animals that eat plants are called **herbivores**.

Animals that eat other animals are called **carnivores**.

Animals that eat both plants and animals are called **omnivores**.

1) When you have caught some minibeasts look at each animal closely. Fill in the table below.

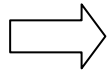
Name of minibeast	Herbivore	Carnivore	Omnivore	Number of each creature found
Pond Snail				
Water Flea				
Leech				
Water Boatman				
Water Louse				
Tadpole				
Freshwater Shrimp				
Pea Mussel				
Mayfly Nymph				
Dragonfly Nymph				
Bloodworm				
Flatworm				
Water Mite				

2) Which animals did you find the most of? Why do you think there are so many of this animal?

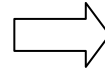
All animals and plants depend on each other for food and these relationships are called **Food Chains** or **Food Webs**.

3) Fill in the spaces in the Pond **Food Chain** that is drawn below.

Water fleas eats
the pondweed



Dragonfly nymph
eats the _ _ _ _



_ _ _ _ eats the
Dragonfly nymph



4) Draw a **food chain** using of one or more of the pond minibeasts that you have found. You can use larger animals such as frogs or birds in your food chain if you need to but you must use at least one minibeast.