

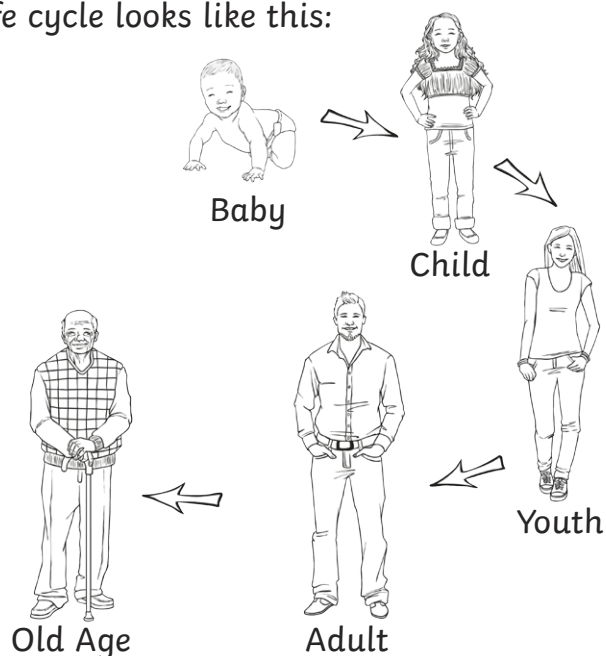
Practice Reading Tests - Year 2-3 - Life Cycles

Read all the boxed text then answer the questions.

What is a life cycle?

Simply, a life cycle shows stages of life.

For example, the human life cycle looks like this:



Do all animals have the same life cycle?

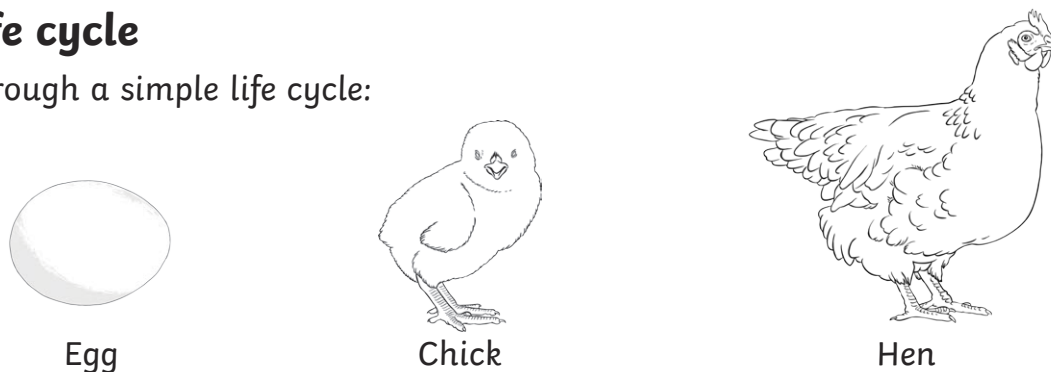
Not all animals go through the same changes throughout their life cycle, but most of the animals go through the so-called simple life cycle.

A simple cycle of life has three steps only:

- they are born (birth or broods)
- they are young
- they are adults

Chicken life cycle

A hen goes through a simple life cycle:



Name:

Date:

16

total marks

Practice Reading Tests - Year 2-3 - Life Cycle

1. a) What does a life cycle involve? (Tick one)

Stages of childhood

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Stages of old age

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Stages of life

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Stages of youth

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1 mark

b) What are the stages of a so-called simple life cycle? (Tick two)

They are born

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They are babies

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They are old

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They are tall

☐

They are young

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2 marks

2. Find and copy one word which describes people when they get older.

1 mark.

3. Put ticks to show which statements are true and which are false. One has been done for you.

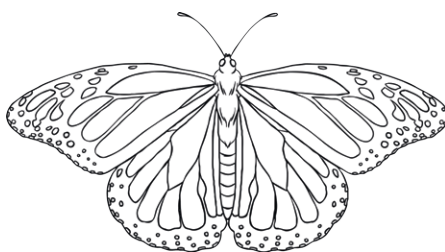
	True	False
A simple life cycle hasn't got four stages.		
An animal will go through a human life cycle.		
A hen will go through a simple life cycle.		
The human life cycle starts with an adult.		✓

3 marks

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Metamorphosis

Metamorphosis means that an animal goes through a major change in their life cycle. They look completely different when they are born, to how they look when they are adults. Most animals that undergo metamorphosis, are amphibians or insects.



Amphibians

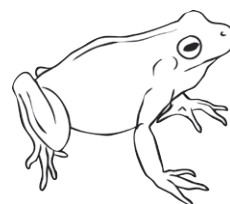
Amphibians go through more steps in their life cycle than a chicken. For example, a frog's life cycle has 5 steps.



Spawn



Tadpole with legs



Frog



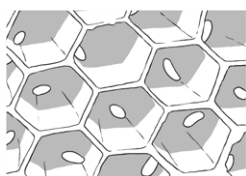
Tadpole



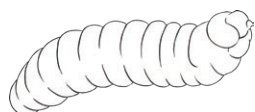
Tadpole with arms and legs

Insects

Just as amphibians, insects go through more than 3 stages in their life cycle as well.



Eggs



Lava



Pupa



Young insect



Adult insect

4. Put these events in the order that they happened in the life cycle, numbering them from 1 to 5. One has been done for you.

The frog life cycle ends with the fully-grown frog.

First, they are eggs, spawn.

The will grow arms.

They will grow into a tadpole.

After, the tadpole will have legs.

4 marks

5. Draw three lines to show how many stages there are in each life cycle.

3 marks

more than three stages

simple life cycle

five stages

amphibians/insect's life cycle

three stages

a human's life cycle

6. Choose the best word/words in these sentences and tick your choice.

1 mark

- a) They look completely

similar ☐ different ☐ tadpole ☐ life cycle ☐

when they are born, to how they look when they are adults.

- b) Just as amphibians, insects go through more than 3 stages in their

human life ☐ born ☐ life cycle ☐ stages ☐

as well.

1 mark

** END OF TEST **

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1 mark

Stages of life

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Stages of old age

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Stages of life

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Stages of youth

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2 marks

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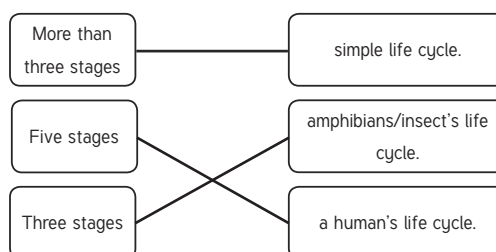
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