



Ladybug  
Life Cycle

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The female ladybug lays  
clusters of tiny eggs on leaves.  
The eggs hatch in 3-5 days.



**These are ladybug eggs.**

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A ladybug larva hatches from an egg. It has 6 legs and a long body. It eats leaves, and molts (sheds its skin) many times as it grows. This stage lasts for 2

to 4 weeks.



**This is a ladybug larva.**

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After it grows enough, the larva attaches itself to a leaf and loses its old skin - it is then a pupa. This stage lasts for 5 to 7 days.



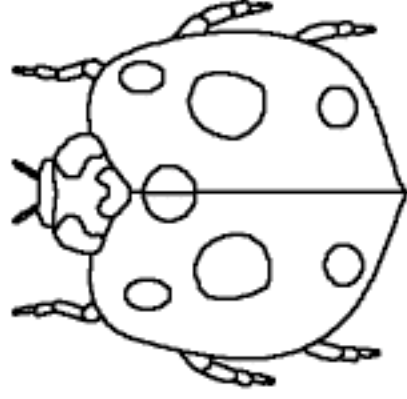
**This is a ladybug pupa.**

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The adult ladybug emerges  
from the pupa.



**This is a ladybug.**

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