



# AT THE RIVER... WHO EATS WHAT?



A **Food Chain** shows the relationship between different animals and plants and describes who eats what in the natural world. The food chain shows how plants and animals get their energy.

**Make a river food chain! Cut out these animals and plants, and work out who eats what.**

A food chain always starts with a **Producer**. This is an organism that makes its own food.

Most food chains start with green plants which use the **energy** from the **sun** to make their food from water and carbon dioxide in a process called **photosynthesis**.



A living thing that eats other plants and animals is called a **consumer**.



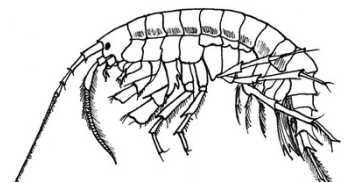
Cased Caddisfly larva



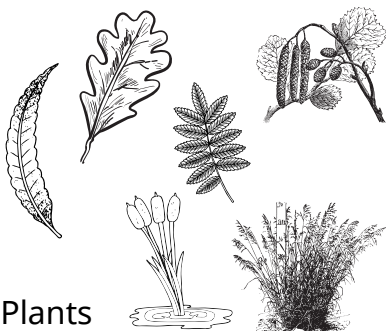
Stonefly nymph

A **predator** is an animal that eats other animals.

The animals that predators eat are called **prey**. Predators are found at the top of a food chain.

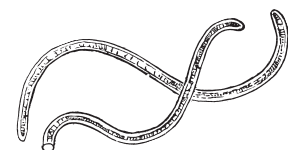
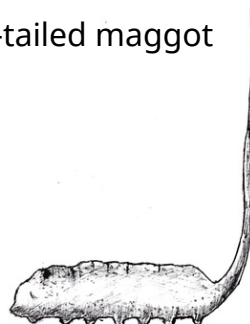


Freshwater shrimp

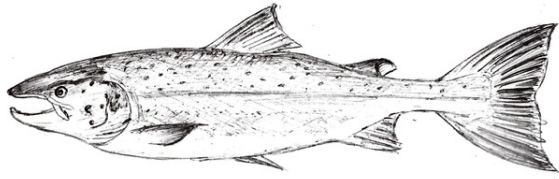


Plants

Rat-tailed maggot



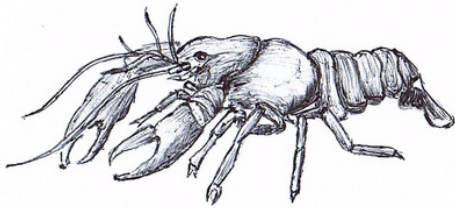
Worms



Atlantic Salmon



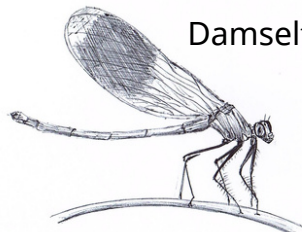
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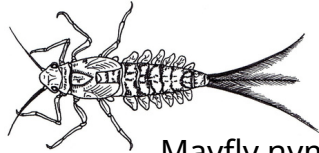
White-clawed Crayfish



Dipper



Damselfly



Mayfly nymph



Grey Heron



Water vole



Minnow



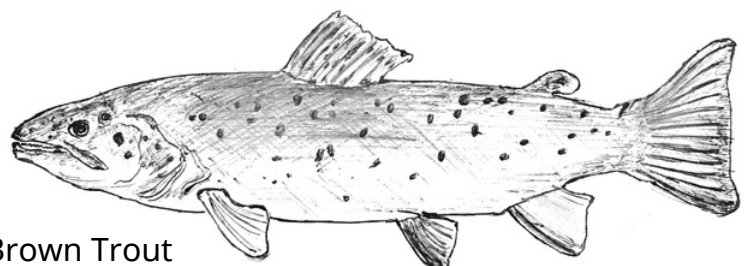
Non-biting  
midge larva



Kingfisher



Ramshorn snail



Brown Trout