## UAMN Virtual Early Explorers: Water

## Build a Mosquito

## Mosquitoes Need Water



Where there is standing water, there are often mosquitoes. Female mosquitoes lay their eggs in water. When the larvae hatch, they feed on tiny aquatic organisms (bacteria and algae) and breathe through tubes in their tails! If the water is warm, they grow more quickly. After another few days as pupae, adult mosquitoes emerge and wait for their wings to dry off before taking flight.



Mosquito larvae.





