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Next time you're near a pond, see how many of these you can find.



Moorhen – Raises two or three broods a season, but unusually the 'teenagers' from early broods stick around to help their parents raise the next hatchlings.



Smooth or common newt – Newt tadpoles are called efts. Unlike frog and toad tadpoles, efts develop their front legs before their back legs.



Damselfly – Damselflies are smaller than dragonflies and hold their wings together behind the abdomen rather than out sideways.



Hoverfly – Loves ponds and muddy water. The larvae are called 'rat-tailed' maggots and can be found in stagnant water from May to November.



Water boatman – Swimming upside-down and propelled by two long legs which paddle like oars, these insects look like rowing boats.



Watersnail – Their protective shell not only keeps them safe from predators, but also holds an air bubble that lets them breathe through their lungs.

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