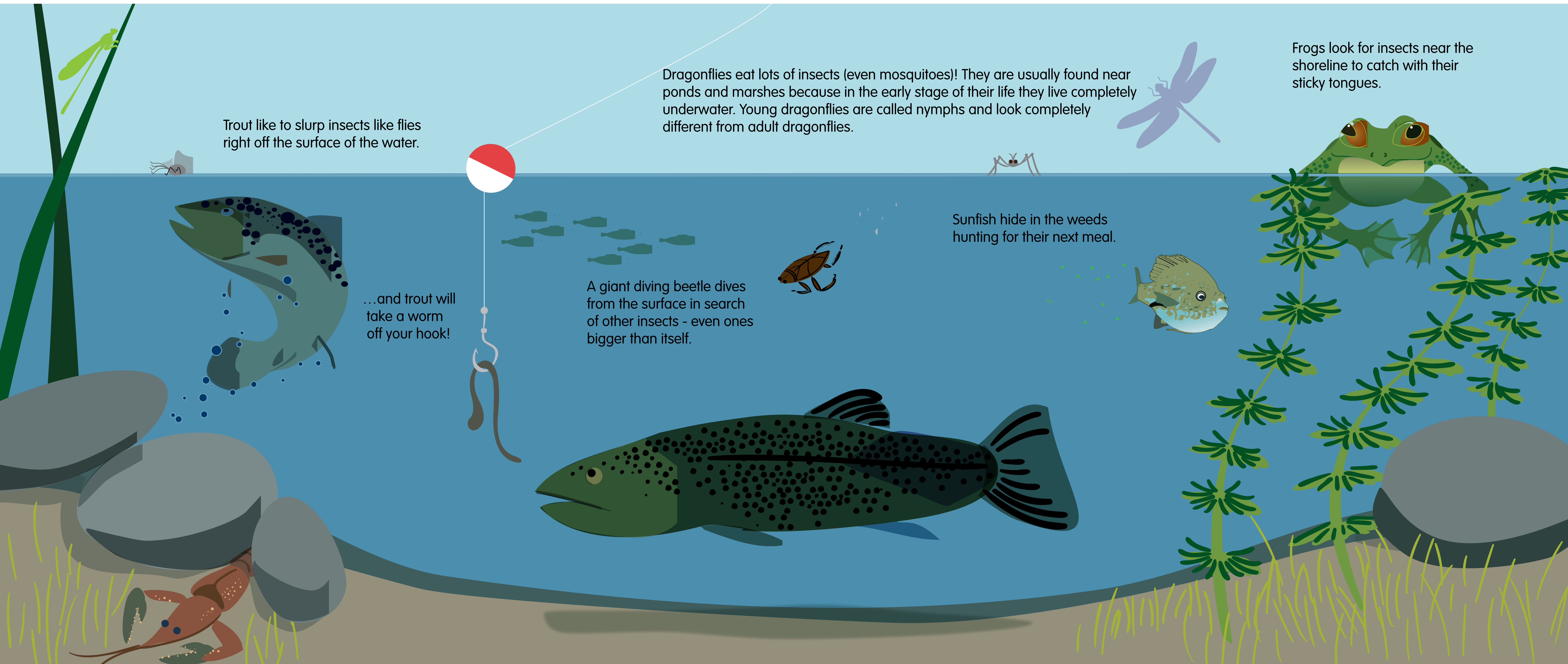


Life beneath the surface

Peek into the pond and you'll see a whole underwater neighborhood. Plants provide good hiding places for small fish. They also make a tasty snack for insects, crayfish and small fish. Bigger fish like trout and bluegills eat insects, and so do frogs and turtles who hang out near the shore.



brown trout



Trout like to slurp insects like flies right off the surface of the water.

Dragonflies eat lots of insects (even mosquitoes)! They are usually found near ponds and marshes because in the early stage of their life they live completely underwater. Young dragonflies are called nymphs and look completely different from adult dragonflies.

Frogs look for insects near the shoreline to catch with their sticky tongues.

Sunfish hide in the weeds hunting for their next meal.

...and trout will take a worm off your hook!

A giant diving beetle dives from the surface in search of other insects - even ones bigger than itself.

FISH THAT LIVE IN THE PONDS INCLUDE:
RAINBOW & BROWN TROUT • SUNFISH SUCH AS BLUEGILL, CRAPPIE & PUMPKINSEEDS • MINNOWS • CRAYFISH

Do you see any signs of underwater life?



rainbow trout



bluegill



crayfish



leopard frog



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