



**INSECTS
UP CLOSE**

Damselflies





Note to Librarians, Teachers, and Parents:

Blastoff! Readers are carefully developed by literacy experts and combine standards-based content with developmentally appropriate text.

Level 1 provides the most support through repetition of high-frequency words, light text, predictable sentence patterns, and strong visual support.

Level 2 offers early readers a bit more challenge through varied simple sentences, increased text load, and less repetition of high-frequency words.

Level 3 advances early-fluent readers toward fluency through increased text and concept load, less reliance on visuals, longer sentences, and more literary language.

Level 4 builds reading stamina by providing more text per page, increased use of punctuation, greater variation in sentence patterns, and increasingly challenging vocabulary.

Level 5 encourages children to move from “learning to read” to “reading to learn” by providing even more text, varied writing styles, and less familiar topics.

Whichever book is right for your reader, Blastoff! Readers are the perfect books to build confidence and encourage a love of reading that will last a lifetime!

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The background of the page features a close-up of a green leaf with prominent veins. A vibrant rainbow arc is positioned horizontally across the middle of the image. On the right side, the head and thorax of a damselfly are visible, showing its large, veined wings and a blue body. The overall scene is bright and naturalistic.

What Are Damselflies?

Damselflies are insects with large wings. They hold their wings together to rest.



wings

The background features a close-up of green leaf veins on the left and a colorful damselfly tail on the right. The damselfly tail is primarily red with blue and black markings. The overall background is a soft green color.

Damselflies have long,
thin **abdomens**.

Their colorful bodies
often shine in sunlight.

**ACTUAL
SIZE:**

**blue-fronted
dancer**



abdomen

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