

Station cards

Prepare the stations:

Mystery eggs:

Fill plastic eggs with items representing parts of an egg or baby animal – marble(embryo), yellow pom-pom (yolk), cotton ball (egg white), feather (chick growing), model or laminated image of a chick. Include matching life cycle cards.

Life cycle builder:

Lay out life cycle picture cards for different animals (chick, frog, butterfly). Provide the **Life Cycle Builder Sheets**.

Invest-egg-ation:

Lay out picture cards of eggs and the animals that hatch from them. Optional sorting trays could be added for children to sort the egg type (hard shell, soft shell, jelly).

Mystery eggs

1. Pick up a plastic “mystery egg.”
2. Carefully open the egg to see what is inside.
3. Look at the item and try to guess what it represents.
4. Match it to the correct stage in the life cycle cards.
(egg → hatchling → adult)
5. Share your ideas with your group.

Resources needed:

- Yellow pom-poms
- Cotton balls
- Feathers
- Marbles
- Chick pictures or models

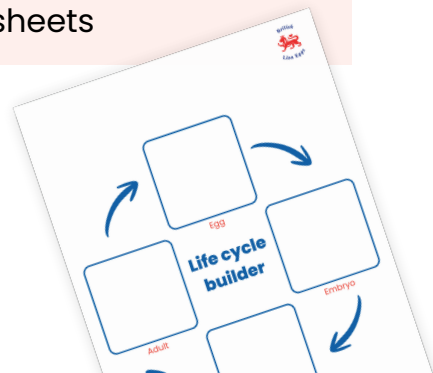


Life cycle builder

1. Look at the life cycle picture cards for one animal.
(e.g., chick, frog)
2. Put the cards in the correct order
(egg → baby/hatchling → adult)
3. Talk to your group about what happens in each stage.
4. Repeat with other animal if time allows.

Resources needed:

- Life cycle picture cards
- Life cycle builder sheets



Invest-egg-ation

1. Look at the egg pictures.
2. Match each egg to the correct animal picture.
3. Place the egg and animal pictures in the correct order on the life cycle mat
(egg → hatchling → adult)

Optional challenge: Sort eggs by type – hardshell / soft shell / jelly eggs.

Resources needed:

- Animal picture cards
- Egg picture cards

