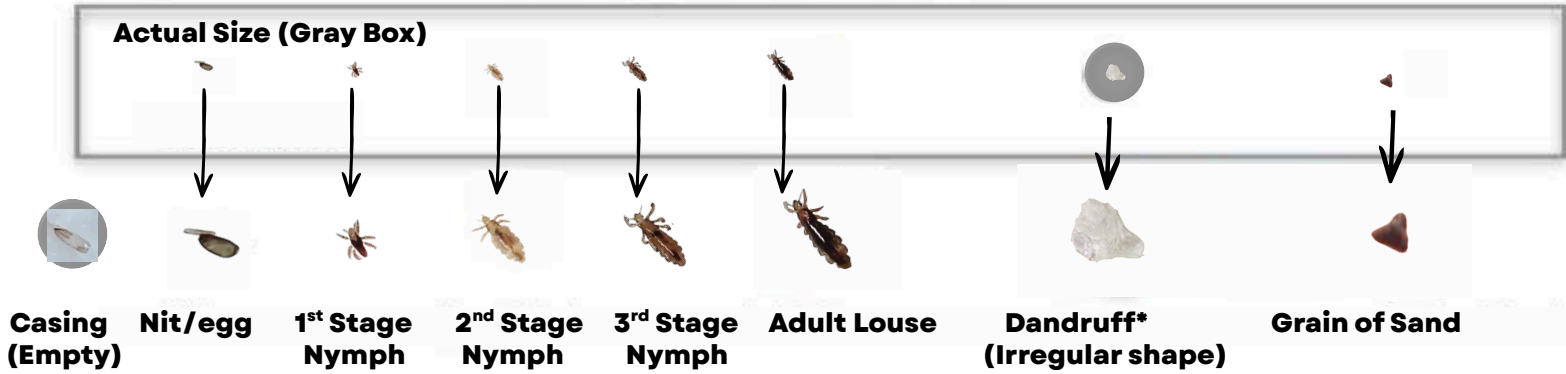


# Lice ID Card



- Nits are tan colored and tear drop shaped. They feel similar to a knot in a piece of thread.
- It takes a nit 7-10 days to hatch and 7-10 days to mature. Nits do NOT hatch off the head.
- Hatched lice do not jump, fly or swim. They use 6 tiny claws to pinch and climb onto hair.
- Head lice feed on human blood (scalp ONLY). They only live about 24 hours off the head.
- Lice are resistant to chemical based drug store brands of lice shampoo. We suggest an enzyme based shampoo to kill hatched lice and a good comb like NitNabber/Terminator.

## BUSTING MYTHS



### Pets Spread Lice

**Wrong!** Lice only feed on human blood on the scalp. Lice are “species specific” and can’t survive on pets.



### Lice Means Clean EVERYTHING

**Wrong!** Lice dies in 24 hours, eggs don’t survive off the scalp. Pillow case & bath towel in a hot dryer. Use a sticky lint roller on fabric. Don’t share brushes.



### Everyone Who Gets Lice Will Itch

**Wrong!** Itchiness is an allergic reaction to the saliva. Only 50% of people are allergic, and 50% feel NOTHING.



### Buzz Cut Gets Rid of Lice

**Wrong!** Nits/eggs are within 1/4 of the scalp. If hair is too short, eggs can’t be combed off.



### Lice Jump from Head to Head

**Wrong!** Lice don’t jump, fly, burrow or swim. They need a boost piece of hair as a bridge or ladder to the head. Best prevention: BRAIDS AND BUNS