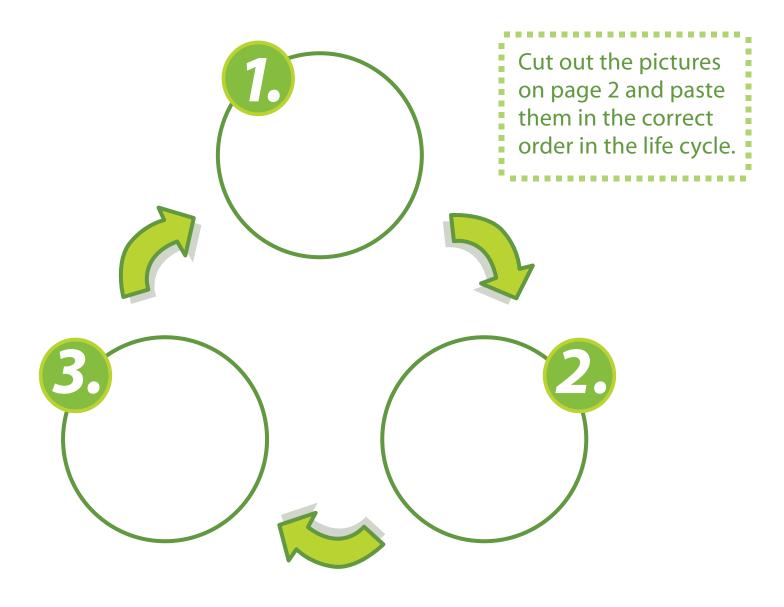
## Life Cycle of a Kangaroo

*Marsupials* are mammals that mostly live in the southern part of the world, in Australia. Marsupials are known for carrying their young in pouches near their tummies. Marsupial babies are also born very, very small and under-developed. The tiny babies must crawl to the pouch after they are born, and live there for a few months while they grow to become larger infants.



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Marsupials are born at a very early age. At birth, their eyes, ears and legs are not finished growing. They use their arms, nose and mouth to find the way to their mother's pouch. They are *pink* and bald, just like baby mice. They drink milk and grow bigger while living in their mother's pouch. Once they are big enough, they come out of the pouch and are called *joeys*. A joey will continue to grow into an *adult kangaroo*, with large feet and a large tail for balance.

