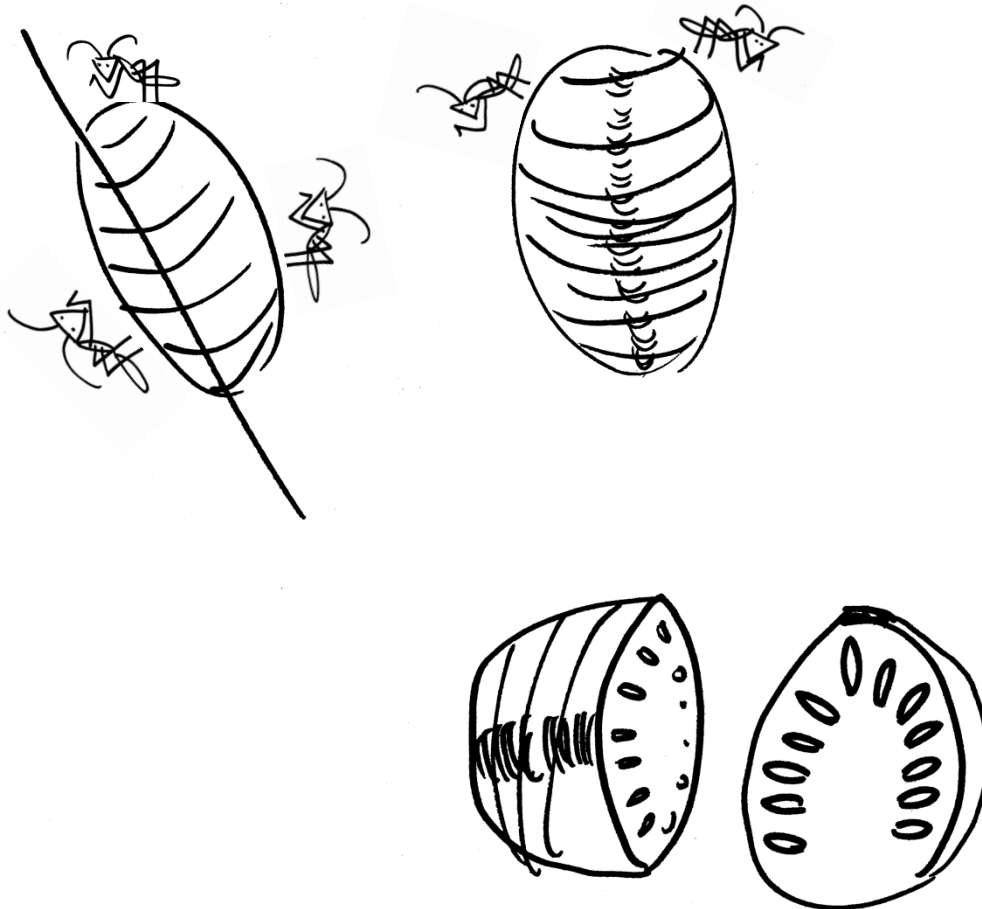


Tiny Science

for big thinkers

The ootheca (you can say it: ooh-ooH-THEEK-uh") is many layers of eggs!
Each layer has an arc of eggs embedded in the hardened foam.
It takes the mama about 45 minutes to oviposit an ootheca ("lay an egg", so to speak. Hundreds of them.)

Can you draw more baby mantises? Are they nymphs or larvae?



After your ootheca is empty, you can pry it open to see where the eggs were inside. It is very interesting, so different from what we are familiar with.