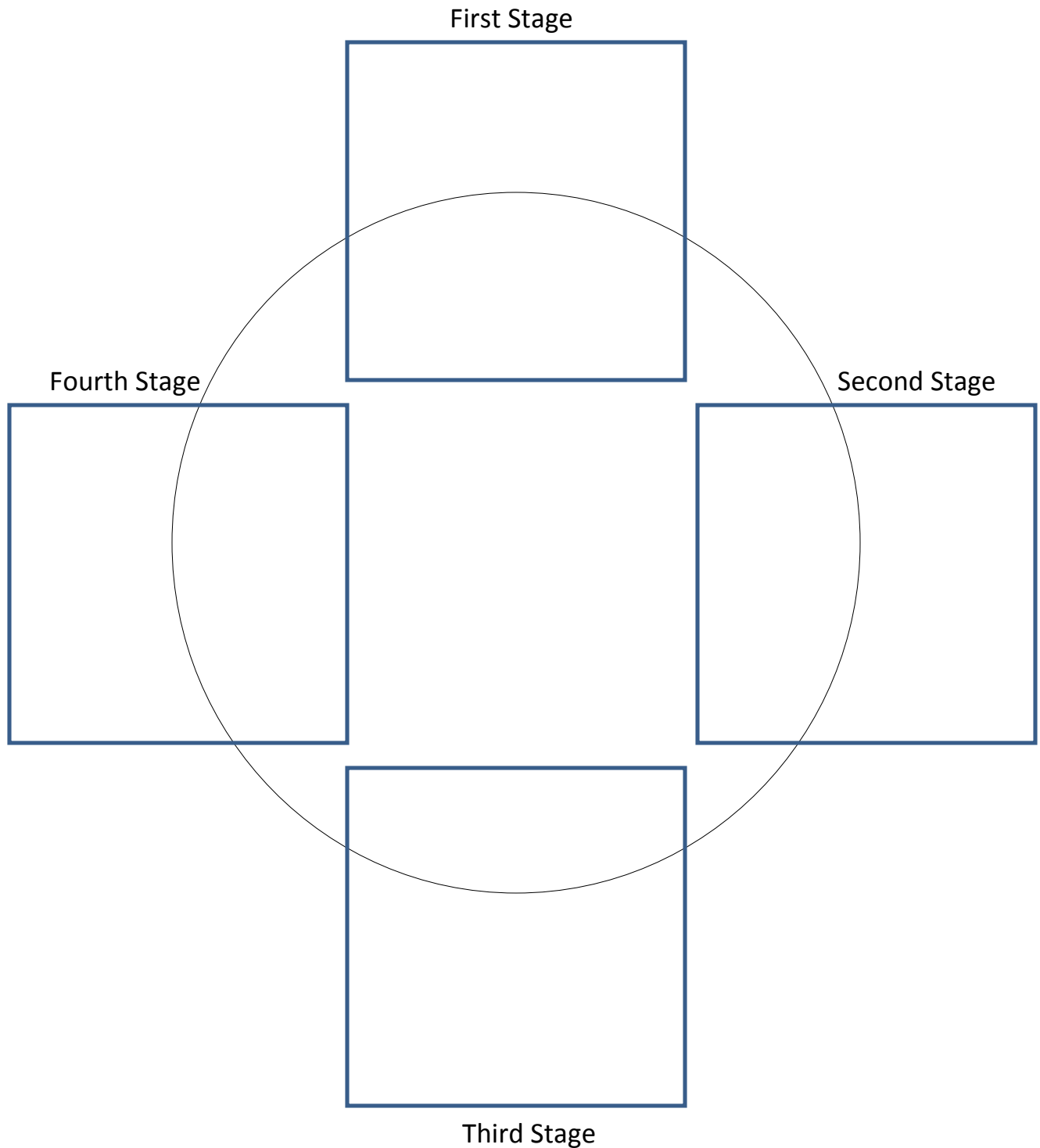


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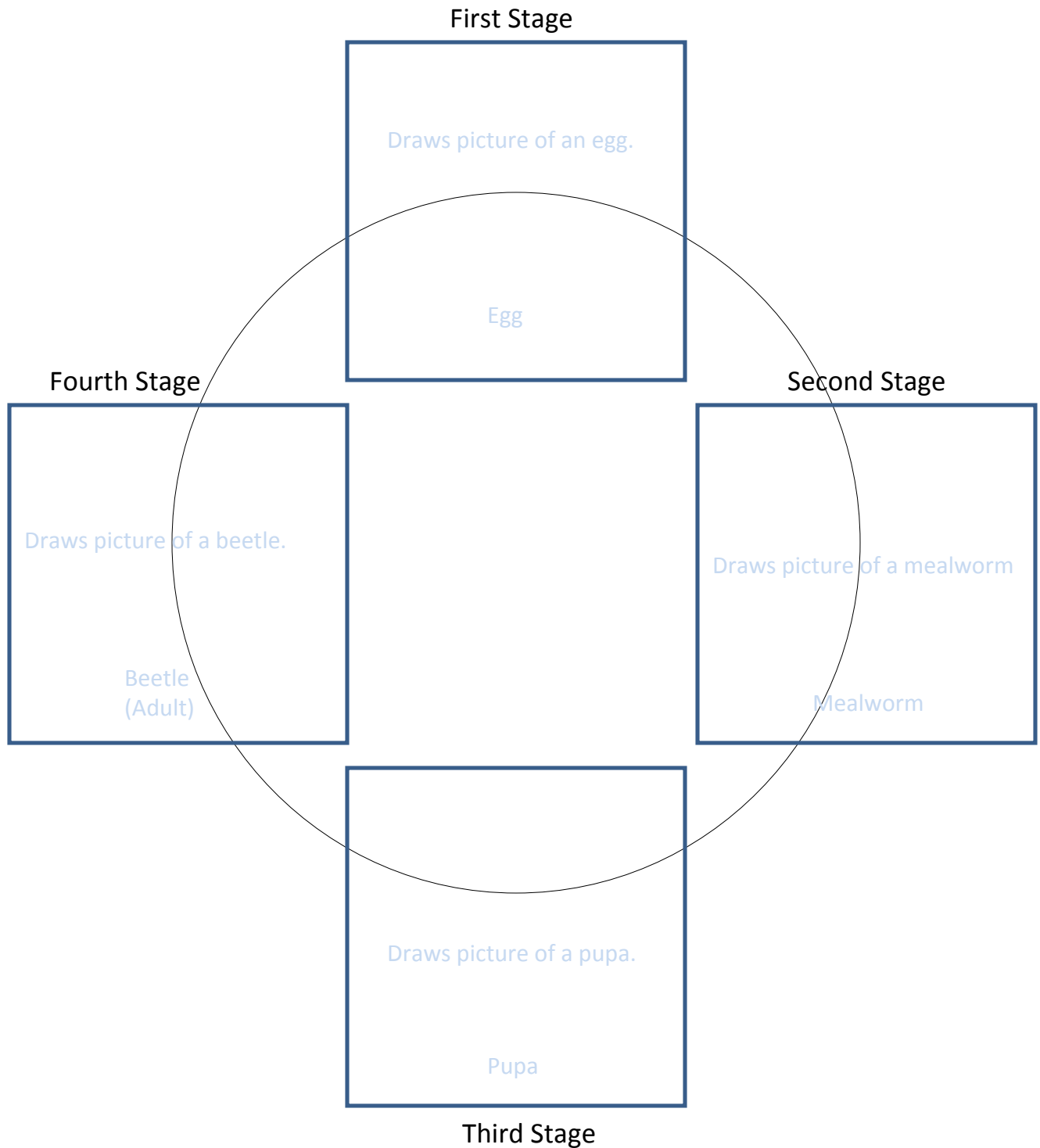
Label and draw the stages of the mealworm life cycle.



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<i>beetle</i>	<i>pupa</i>	<i>grain</i>
<i>decomposers</i>	<i>egg</i>	<i>head</i>
<i>dark</i>	<i>four</i>	<i>thorax</i>
<i>adult</i>	<i>larva</i>	

Use the words in the box to fill in the blanks below.

1. Mealworms are decomposers. They eat whatever they can find. In the wild they eat wet leaves and twigs. In barns or storage areas the mealworms eat grain which is where they received their name "mealworm."
2. Mealworms live under rocks in the wild , in barns, or other dark places.
3. There are four stages in the mealworm (or beetle) life cycle. The first stage is the egg stage. The second stage is the larva or mealworm stage. The third stage is the pupa stage. During this stage the mealworm grows legs and forms into an adult while inside this shell-like case. The last stage is the adult stage when it becomes a beetle.
4. Mealworms lay eggs when they are a beetle.
5. Beetles, which are adult mealworms, have three body sections. They are the head, thorax, and abdomen.

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Write the letter of the correct definition next to the number that it matches.

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| <u>b</u> 1. Consumer | a. Organism that feeds on dead or decaying organisms |
| <u>f</u> 2. Producer | b. Organism that feeds on others |
| <u>c</u> 3. Herbivore | c. Organism that only eats plants |
| <u>e</u> 4. Carnivore | d. Organism that eats plants and animals |
| <u>d</u> 5. Omnivore | e. Organism that mostly eats meat |
| <u>a</u> 6. Decomposer | f. Organism that makes food for others |

Answer the following questions:

- Is a mealworm a decomposer or carnivore? decomposer
- Is a mealworm a consumer or producer? consumer
- Do mealworm have jaws? yes
- What eats a mealworm? Birds, lizards, fish, sometimes people
- What does a mealworm eat? Grains, decaying leaves and twigs
- Where does a mealworm live? Barns, under rocks where there are dead leaves, in grain

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Teacher may draw their own insect and animals.

Below label each animal as producers or consumers.

consumer

consumer

consumer

Below label each animal as herbivore, carnivore, omnivore, or decomposer.

carnivore

omnivore

decomposer
