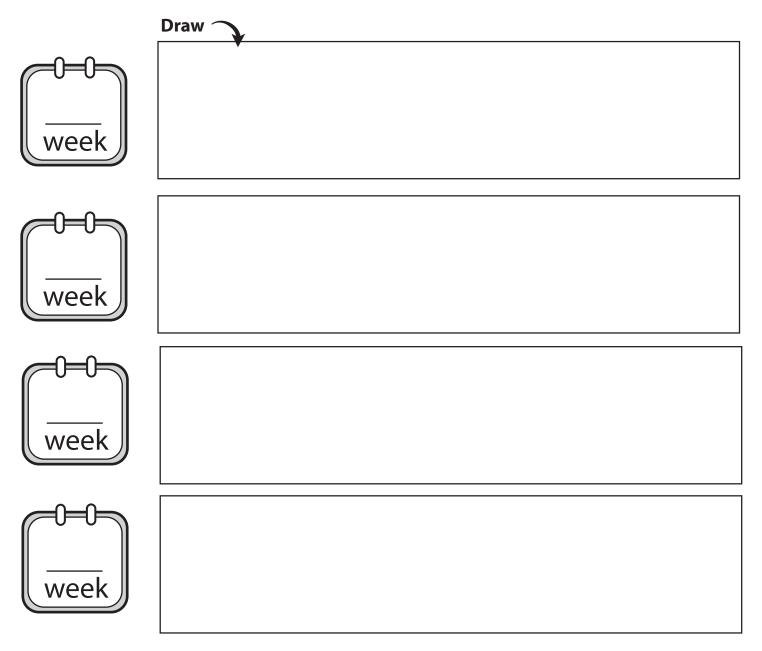
#### **Bess Beetle Activities**

#### **Observe**

Bess beetles gradually decompose the wood they live in by eating the wood fibers. Observe what the wood looks like each week as the beetles eat it. Record the changes by drawing the wood. Pay attention to the thickness of the wood. The beetles will eat the softer, outer wood first.





### **Bess Beetle Activities**

## **Vocabulary** Write the definitions.



beetle	 	
elytra	 	
frass		
metamorphosis		
Passalidae	 	
pronotum	 	
stridulation		

# Labeling

Label the body parts of the Bess beetle. Fill in the ten blanks below with the words from the word bank.

abdomen compound eye head legs pronotum antenna elytra horn mandible thorax

