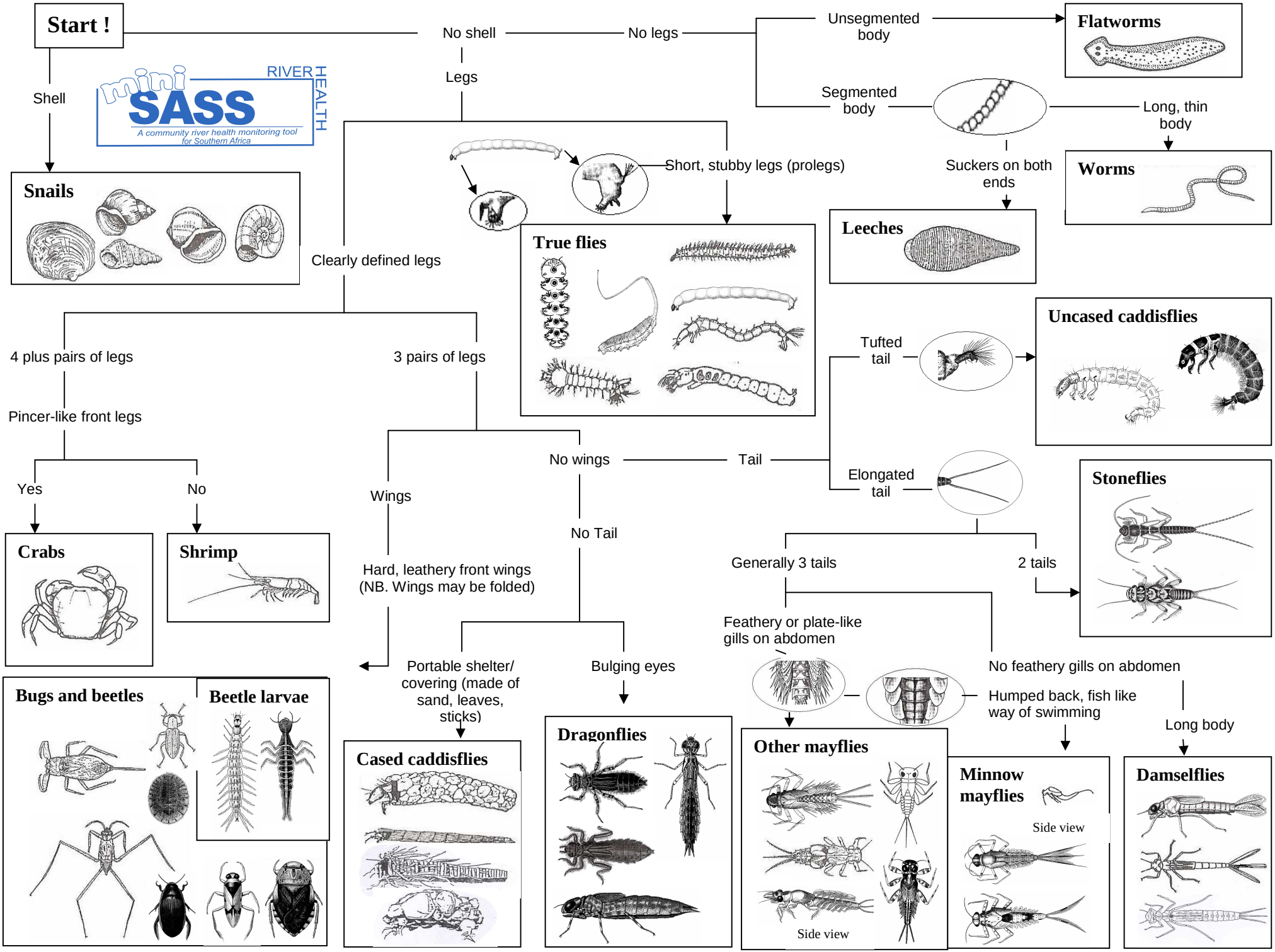
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RIVER HEALTH
A community river health monitoring tool for Southern Africa
Shell
Snails
No shell
No legs
Unsegmented body
Flatworms
Segmented body
Long, thin body
Worms
Suckers on both ends
Leeches
Legs
Short, stubby legs (prolegs)
True flies
Clearly defined legs
4 plus pairs of legs
Pincer-like front legs
Yes
No
Crabs
Shrimp
3 pairs of legs
Wings
Hard, leathery front wings (NB. Wings may be folded)
Bugs and beetles
Beetle larvae
No wings
Tail
Tufted tail
Uncased caddisflies
Elongated tail
Stoneflies
Generally 3 tails
2 tails
No Tail
Portable shelter/ covering (made of sand, leaves, sticks)
Cased caddisflies
Bulging eyes
Dragonflies
Feathery or plate-like gills on abdomen
No feathery gills on abdomen
Humped back, fish like way of swimming
Long body
Other mayflies
Side view
Minnow mayflies
Side view
Damselflies