

Scene 1:

1. Visible damage to base of leaf and thinning of leaves.
2. The leaves are clearly chewed on and there are brown particles near the leaf base.  
Caterpillars are present on the leaves and stem.
3. The damage includes chewed and partial leaves
4. Plant parts affected include the leaves

Hypothesis:

The insect causing the damage is the armyworm. We have deduced to an armyworm because we see visible chewing damage to the leaf and midrib of the corn plant. An armyworm will eat all of the corn plant with the exception of the leaf midrib and stalk. Four visible armyworms are present at the base of the leaf on the corn plant.

