

Crayfish Dissection Exp. 12.1

Our crayfish is female. It's hard, but still bendable. It kinda feels like plastic.

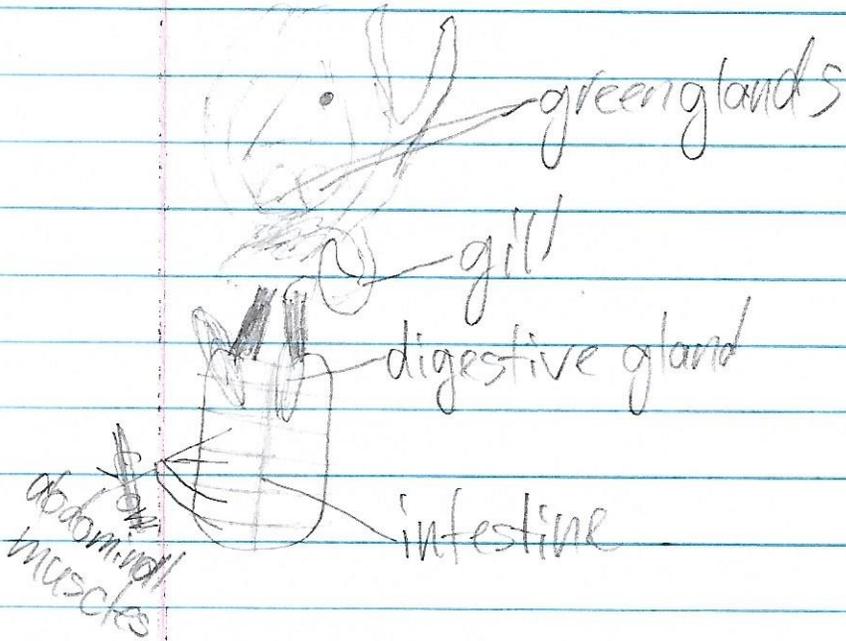
Two of the maxillae are tiny and thin. The third is big and thick. The mandible ~~had~~

~~was~~ was like a big tooth, when we pulled it out it was connected to a chunk of flesh which may have been a salivary gland. When we pulled out the maxillae it had fatty looking stuff connected.

The carapace is like leather. When the carapace were removed there were these big feathery things—gills. There were six on the left side and five on the right side. Since gills came out with the maxillae, there were 13 in all. The gills come off with the walking legs. They turned out to be gills.

~~The heart was tiny purple, and actually in a heart shape. It had blood vessels branching off of it.~~ The heart was just like a little tan/orange pebble. The digestive track was like this long, squooshie orange tube. We couldn't find any ovaries. The abdomen is hard to cut. The stomach was like a big, full, dark bag. The green glands (not actually green) were under the

Stomach and really smooth



Our brain came off with the top of the head.