A dragonfly nymph gets oxygen by pulling water into a rectal chamber where gills remove dissolved oxygen from the water. The dragonfly can expel this water like an underwater jet to help the nymph catch its prey. The dragonfly nymph is an active predator with a special jaw for grasping prey. It hides in clumps of dead leaves or sediment waiting to ambush prey from macroinvertebrates to small fish!