












## LENAPE NAMES OF INSECTS





These are names and photographs of some of the common insects known to the Lenape or Delaware Indians. In the first column there are links in blue that can be clicked to take you to the Lenape Talking Dictionary ([www.talk-lenape.org](http://www.talk-lenape.org)) where you can hear the Lenape name of the insect. In the third column enclosed in " " is the literal translation of the Lenape name.





### INSECTS

<p>mèmèkas</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=312">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=312</a></p>		<p>butterfly</p>
<p>samhuwe</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9136">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9136</a></p>		<p>caterpillar</p>
<p>pèhpukchilèwès</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=12054">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=12054</a></p>		<p>large green caterpillar</p> <p><i>probably the tobacco or tomato hornworm</i></p>





<p>alemuchi</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=311">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=311</a></p>		<p>cocoon</p>
<p>chëluchëlus</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=705">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=705</a></p>		<p>cricket</p>
<p>sasapis</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9163">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9163</a></p>		<p>firefly; lightning bug</p> <p>"one who flashes"</p>
<p>wehùpòktis</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=10518">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=10518</a></p>		<p>dragonfly</p>




<p>pasalankès</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=8288">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=8288</a></p>		<p>annual cicada</p>
<p>kwikwishkutam</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=3556">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=3556</a></p> <p>or</p> <p>tètun</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=10146">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=10146</a></p>		<p>periodical cicada</p>
<p>shùkwilkès</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9589">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9589</a></p>		<p>grasshopper</p>
<p>kshipskwès</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9524">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9524</a></p>		<p>katydid</p>

<p>sapëlésit muxwes</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=17601">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=17601</a></p>		<p>silverfish</p>
<p>tahkòxtèt muxwès</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=17602">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=17602</a></p>		<p>ladybug</p> <p>“little turtle bug”</p>
	<p><b>INSECTS THAT BITE</b></p>	
<p>ahpikw</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=159">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=159</a></p>		<p>flea</p>
<p>sësaw</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9631">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9631</a></p>		<p>horsefly</p>

<p>xaihu  <a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=11495">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=11495</a></p> <p>hìkènàns  <a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=1302">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=1302</a></p>	 	<p>head louse</p> <p>nit (louse egg)</p>
<p>mpòkës  <a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=14010">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=14010</a></p>		<p>bedbug</p>
<p>màxki muxwès  <a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=14044">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=14044</a></p>		<p>chigger</p> <p>“red bug”</p> <p><i>Chiggers are so tiny they are hard to see without magnification.</i></p>



<p>sàktùkw</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9108">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9108</a></p>		<p>tick</p>
<p>punkwës</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=8971">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=8971</a></p>		<p>mosquito</p>
<p>mèxelkatas</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=4707">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=4707</a></p>		<p>centipede</p>
	<p><b>INSECTS THAT STING</b></p>	
<p>amëwe</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=418">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=418</a></p>		<p>honey bee</p>

<p>tèhtànkankès</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9951">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9951</a></p> <p>or</p> <p>tèhtànkëmuwès</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9950">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=9950</a></p>		<p>wasp</p>
<p>pèpxshuwès</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=8606">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=8606</a></p>		<p>sweat bee</p>
<p>tùkòmëwe</p> <p><a href="http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=10323">http://talk-lenape.org/detail?id=10323</a></p>		<p>bumblebee</p> <p>“round bee”</p>

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