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How Do Crickets Start Their Families?

Short Answer Key

1. Male crickets attract females by chirping songs made by rubbing their wings together.
2. After receiving a spermatophore, the female fertilizes her eggs and lays them in a safe place.
3. Female crickets lay their eggs in the soil or plants to protect them from predators.
4. Nymphs grow into adult crickets by molting, or shedding their outer skin, several times.
5. Crickets lay many eggs to ensure that some of their babies survive, even if others are eaten by predators.

