

**larva**  
 [ˈlɑːvə] *n* (*pl* -vae)

- 1) личинка
- 2) гусеница

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**larva** [larva larvae] *BrE* [ˈlɑːrvə] *NAmE* [ˈlɑːrvɪ] **noun**  
 (*pl.* lar·vae *BrE* [ˈlɑːvɪ] ; *NAmE* [ˈlɑːrvɪ] )



an insect at the stage when it has just come out of an egg and looks like a short fat ↑worm  
 Derived Word ↑larval

Word Origin:  
 mid 17th cent. (denoting a disembodied spirit or ghost): from Latin, literally ghost, mask.

**larva** Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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 [Date: 1600-1700; Language: Latin; Origin: 'ghost, mask']  
 a young insect with a soft tube-shaped body, which will later become an insect with wings **SYN** grub ⇔ pupa  
 —larval *adjective*

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