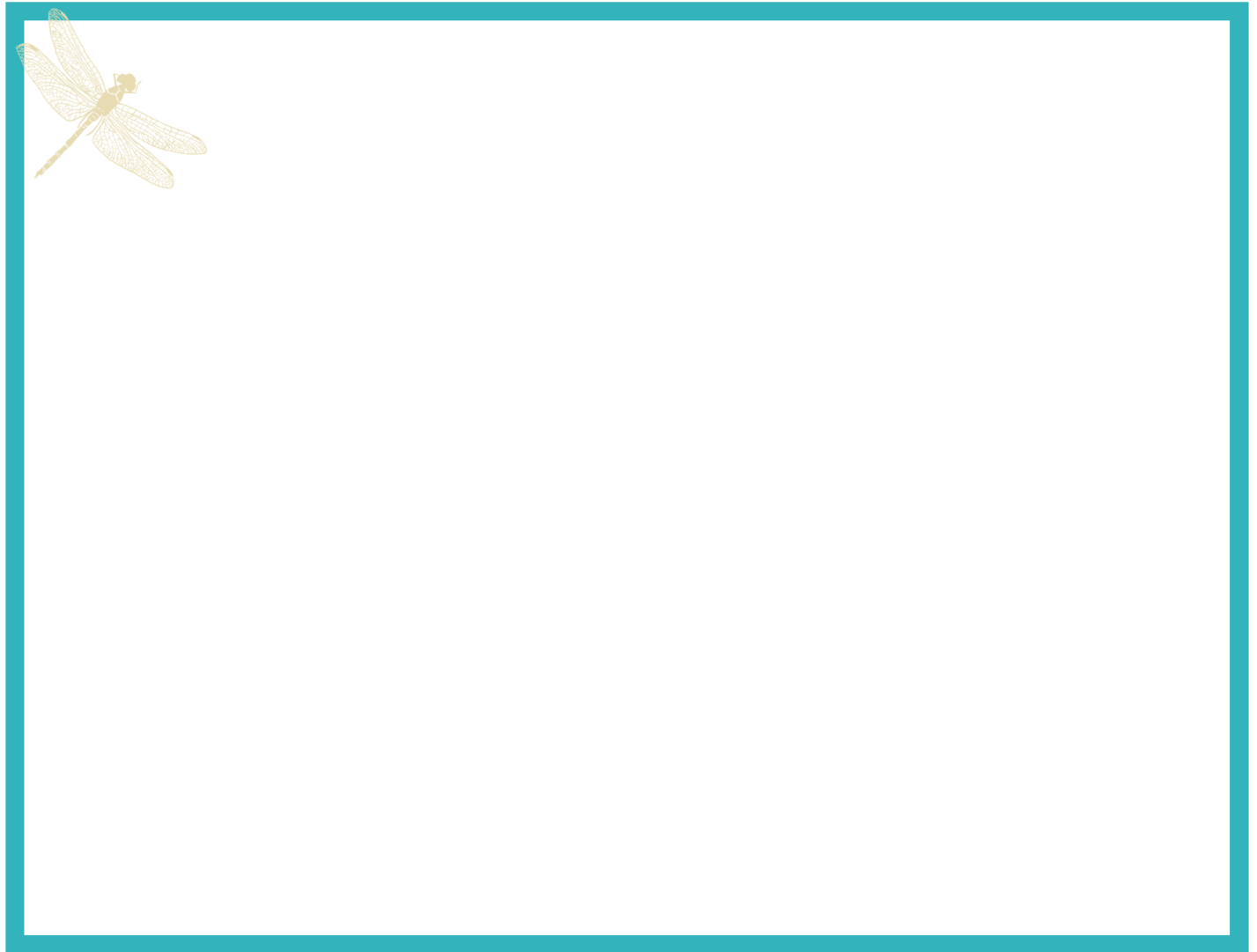


Wildlife living near water

Who lives in the rivers, ditches and ponds in the Fens?



Draw a river or pond with the wildlife which you might find there! There are some suggestions below:

Dragonflies

Eel

Kingfisher

Common toad

Water vole

Great crested newt



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Water vole

They eat over 200 different plants species. Look out for piles of vegetation that has been nibbled at a 45 degree angle!



Dragonflies

Females lay eggs into the water (or on nearby plants). The baby insects called Larva (nymphs) will live under the water for 1 to 2 years before emerging and becoming dragonflies!



Eels

In the 1100s, eels were so common in the Fens they were used as money to pay rent.

Ely gets it's name from Eels!



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