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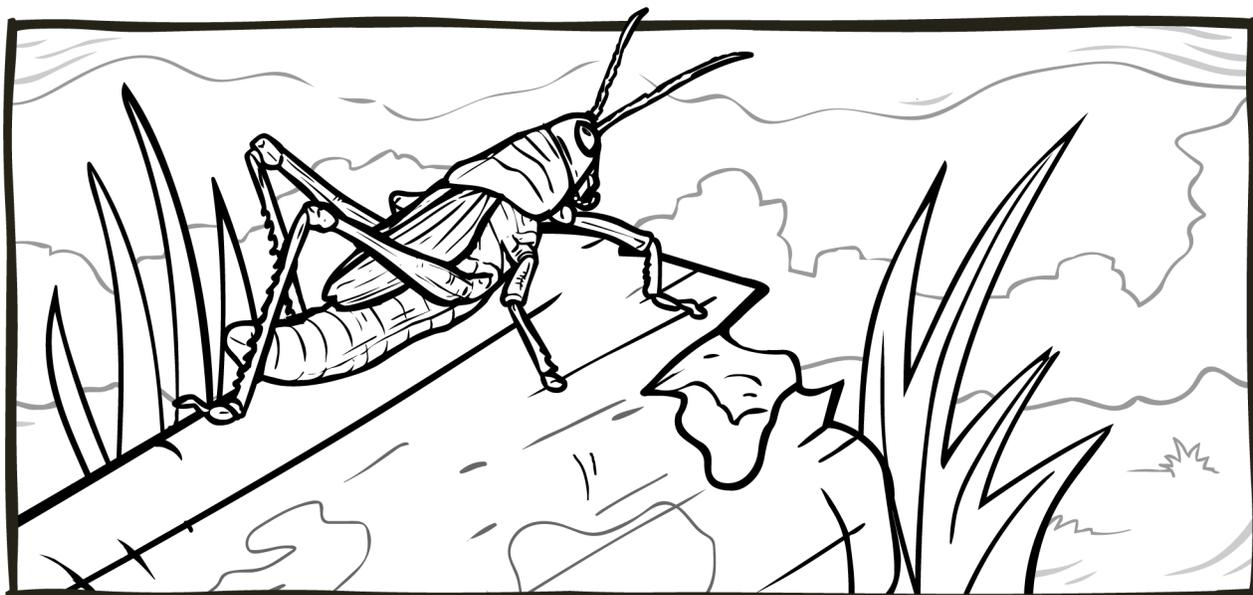
(Romalea microptera)

Instant ID

- Large grasshopper with different colorations
- Can be yellow, orange-brown and black
- Typically walks or climbs, not good jumpers
- Wings are too small to fly

Native Niches

- Lives in over 100 species of plants
- Found throughout southeastern United States
- Lays eggs in dry areas



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Favorite Foods

- Eats the leaves of many plants

Critter Characteristics

- Name means lazy or clumsy
- Only one generation per year (short life cycle)
- Can spray toxic chemicals at predators
- Bright coloration used to warn predators

Population Protection

- Lubbers can be damaging to crops, however in natural environments they are part of an ecological balance