

SUMMER

Beginner Monkeys (B)

Animal Life Cycles

Name : _____

Teacher : _____

Date : _____

From Caterpillar to Butterfly !

Part A: Let's Read

Read the story as a class. Then, read the story to yourself.

A butterfly is a type of insect. Butterflies fly around with their big, beautiful wings. But did you know that butterflies look very different when they are born? They do not have wings and cannot fly.

Like all other insects, a butterfly's body changes at different times in its life. We call this the life cycle. There are four stages in the life cycle of a butterfly.

Stage 1

The mother butterfly lays small round or oval shaped eggs on leaves. A tiny caterpillar starts to grow inside the egg.



Stage 2

When the caterpillar is too big for its egg, it hatches. The caterpillar spends its time eating leaves. The caterpillar grows rapidly during this stage.



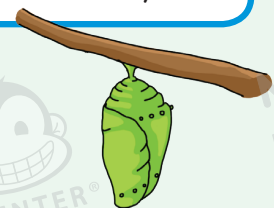
Stage 4

When the butterfly is ready, it breaks through the shell and uses its beautiful colorful wings to fly away! Then, the cycle starts again.



Stage 3

When the caterpillar becomes too big for its body, it makes a special hard shell. It is now a pupa. It starts to transform into a butterfly.



Part B: Let's Talk

As a class discuss the questions below. Do you have any other questions?

What is a butterfly called when it is inside an egg?

What do we call the changes from an egg to a butterfly?

What does a caterpillar do after it hatches?

How many stages are there in the butterfly life cycle?

Part D: Multiple Choice Questions

Circle the letters next to the correct answers.

1 What type of animal is a butterfly?

- a.** Mammal
- b.** Amphibian
- c.** Insect
- d.** Reptile

2 Tiny _____ grow inside butterfly eggs.

- a.** tadpoles
- b.** caterpillars
- c.** spiders
- d.** grasshoppers

3 What do caterpillars like to eat?

- a.** Grass
- b.** Insects
- c.** Fish
- d.** Leaves

4 When a caterpillar is too big for its body, it ...

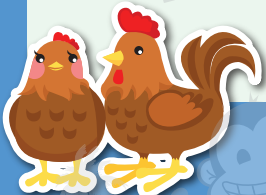
- a.** becomes a pupa.
- b.** carries on eating more leaves.
- c.** dies.
- d.** becomes an egg.

5 In the final stage, the butterfly...

- a.** eats leaves.
- b.** breaks out of its shell.
- c.** goes to sleep.
- d.** forms a hard shell.

6 A butterfly's life cycle is from ...

- a.** egg to butterfly.
- b.** pupa to egg.
- c.** caterpillar to egg.
- d.** egg to caterpillar.



Part G: Vocabulary Check

Read the sentence and fill in the missing words from the box.

hard

hatch

colorful

eat

1. Tiny caterpillars grow in eggs until they _____.
2. Caterpillars love to _____ lots of leaves.
3. When caterpillars become too big for their bodies, they grow a special _____ shell.
4. The wings of a butterfly can be _____.

Part H: Challenge Yourself

Find and circle the words in the word search.

1. insect

2. wings

3. eggs

4. leaves

5. special

6. skin

7. colorful

h	a	c	q	n	n	z	e	w	j
y	u	k	e	i	u	l	g	i	j
c	c	n	k	a	g	e	g	n	u
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Part G: Challenge Yourself

Look at Sue's calendar and write the correct answers.

Sue's Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
2:00 pm - piano lesson	1:00 pm - lunch with Pam	9:00 am - swimming lesson
7:00 pm - chess with Meg	5:00 pm - Jen's birthday party	8:00 pm - movie with Mom

1. Pam plays chess with Meg _____.
2. Her piano lesson is _____ 2:00 pm.
3. On Wednesday, Sue is watching a movie with her mom _____ night.
4. Sue is going to Jen's birthday party _____.
5. Sue is having lunch with Pam _____.
6. Sue's swimming lesson is _____.

Part H: Spelling Check

Listen and spell the words.

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Try This at Home

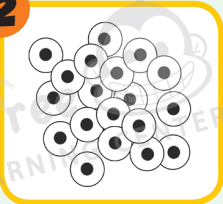
Part A: Vocabulary Check

Fill in the missing letters. Then draw a line from the picture to the word.

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Part B: Fun Activity

Correct the order of the animal life cycle below by writing a number in each box.

