

Butterflies

With Ranger Alfie



Learn about the butterfly life cycle and make a butterfly feeder.

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WHAT YOU NEED Card lask for some from the recycling bin). Cotton wool or fabric, Sugar Water (1:4 ratio), Glue and sticky tape.

LEARN

- Put these words in order to make a butterfly life cycle: chrysalis - caterpillar - egg butterfly.
- 2. Look for butterflies. Sheltered sunny places on a calm day are best. Visit the Butterfly Conservation website to help identify them. You could also join their Garden Butterfly Survey 2020.
- Choose 3 butterflies, find out what their caterpillars look like and draw them.
- Eggs are laid on certain plants called 'food plants' which the caterpillars eat. Find out which food plants your 3 caterpillars need and draw them.

Answer: 1. Egg – caterpillar – chrysalis – butterfly

MAKE

A butterfly feeder. Draw and brightly colour a flower on to a piece of card and carefully cut out the shape. Stick a bottle cap in the middle and tape a stick to the back to act as a stem. Next soak your cotton wool or fabric in the sugar solution and place firmly in the bottle cap. Put your flower somewhere sunny and ideally near some real flowers.

DO

Keep an eye on your butterfly feeder and let us know what you see. Top up the sugar water as needed.





MAKE SOMEONE LAUGH

A fly just fell into my butter. Now it's a butterfly!

ANSWER

What is the food plant of the peacock caterpillar? Last week's answer: Photosynthesis





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