

Level 5. Butterfly Garden

# Alpha Readers

## Butterfly Garden



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**A Write the word that best completes each sentence.**

nectar, insect spray, chrysalis, nursery, working bee, information

1. Butterflies feed on the nectar from flowers.  
a sweet liquid produced by flowers
2. We visited the plant nursery to buy the plants we needed.  
a place where young plants are grown and sold
3. She told us not to use insect sprays on our plants that we could use.  
a liquid used to destroy insects
4. We asked for information from the butterfly keeper at the zoo.  
knowledge or facts
5. We saw a butterfly climbing out its chrysalis.  
a butterfly or moth in the stage between being a larva and an adult
6. We held a working bee to plant our garden.  
a voluntary group doing a job for charity

**B Circle the words that have the same meaning with the underlined words.**

1. We found out that there were six different butterflies for our garden. chose / discovered
2. Butterflies only lay their eggs on certain plants. particular / different
3. We voted to choose the garden plan we liked best. show / select
4. We asked her what sorts of plants the butterflies would like to visit. kinds / eggs
5. One day we were really lucky. We saw a butterfly climbing out its chrysalis. fortunate / happy

**C Write the correct word to complete the sentence.**

wear	after	if	take	another	bite
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1. We looked on the Internet to **find** out what kinds of butterflies live in our garden.
2. We **asked** for information from the butterfly keeper.
3. The butterflies enjoyed **feeding** on the nectar in the flowers.
4. We worked in groups to draw **up** plans for our garden.
5. We **looked** after our garden and watered it regularly.
6. The plans showed which plants each group would **like to** plant.

**D Fill in the blanks with the negative of to-infinitive.****not to-infinitive**

The negative of to-infinitive is **not + to-infinitive**.

Ex. I promised **not to be** late.

1. We decided not to go out because of the weather. **(go out)**
2. She promised not to tell anyone. **(tell)**
3. I tried not to close my eyes. **(close)**
4. Be careful not to trip over stones. **(trip over)**
5. I did my best not to fail the final test. **(fail)**
6. Ann pretended not to see me when she passed me. **(see)**







**A Answer the following questions.**

- What kind of garden did the children's class want to build?
  - a garden where lots of small trees live.
  - ☒ a garden where butterflies would like to live.
  - a garden where ladybugs would like to live.
- What do butterflies feed on?
  - ☒ They feed on the nectar from the flowers.
  - They feed on the honey from the flowers.
  - They feed on the leaves from the trees.
- Why should they NOT use insect sprays on their plants?
  - because butterflies would fly toward them
  - ☒ because they would kill the butterflies
  - because there would be many insects on the plants
- What did the children do to plant their garden?
  - They worked on weekend.
  - ☒ They held a working bee.
  - They asked their friends to help them.
- Write the correct words for the life cycle of a butterfly.  
(a caterpillar, an egg, a butterfly, a chrysalis)

**B Read and circle "T" for true or "F" for false.**

- We used the Internet to find out what sorts of butterflies live in our area. ☒ T / F
- Butterflies like plants with bugs. T / ☒ F
- We worked individually to draw up plans for our garden. T / ☒ F
- Some of our parents came and helped us plant our garden. ☒ T / F
- We took care of our garden and watered it regularly. ☒ T / F

**C Complete the sentences and write the numbers in order.**

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| 1 |    | Our class wanted to build a <u>garden</u> where <u>butterflies</u> would like to live.  |
| 6 |    | We looked after the <u>garden</u> . We saw eggs, <u>caterpillars</u> , and luckily a butterfly climbing out of its <u>chrysalis</u> . |
| 2 |    | We looked on the <u>Internet</u> to find out what kinds of butterflies <u>live</u> in our area.                                       |
| 3 |    | We asked the butterfly <u>keeper</u> what sorts of <u>plants</u> the butterflies would like to visit.                                 |
| 5 |   | We bought some grass, some shrubs, and three trees in the <u>plant nursery</u> . We held a <u>working bee</u> to plant our garden.    |
| 4 |  | We drew up <u>plans</u> for our garden and we <u>voted</u> to choose the garden plan we liked <u>best</u> .                           |

garden(x2), caterpillars, butterflies, chrysalis, plants, keeper, Internet, plans, live, best, voted, working bee, plant nursery

**D What did you learn about butterflies? Complete the sentences.**

**Butterflies**

► What do butterflies feed on?

Butterflies feed on the nectar from the flowers.

► Where do butterflies lay their eggs?

Butterflies only lay their eggs on certain plants.

► What else did you learn about butterflies from the book?

A butterfly climbs out of a chrysalis.