

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

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

- We found out that there were six different butterflies for our garden. chose / discovered
- Butterflies only lay their eggs on certain plants. particular / different
- We voted to choose the garden plan we liked best. show / select
- We asked her what sorts of plants the butterflies would like to visit. kinds / eggs
- 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

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.

1. What kind of garden did the children's class want to build?
 - a) a garden where lots of small trees live.
 - b) a garden where butterflies would like to live.
 - c) a garden where ladybugs would like to live.
2. What do butterflies feed on?
 - a) They feed on the nectar from the flowers.
 - b) They feed on the honey from the flowers.
 - c) They feed on the leaves from the trees.
3. Why should they NOT use insect sprays on their plants?
 - a) because butterflies would fly toward them
 - b) because they would kill the butterflies
 - c) because there would be many insects on the plants
4. What did the children do to plant their garden?
 - a) They worked on weekend.
 - b) They held a working bee.
 - c) They asked their friends to help them.
5. 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.**

1. We used the Internet to find out what sorts of butterflies live in our area. T / F
2. Butterflies like plants with bugs. T / F
3. We worked individually to draw up plans for our garden. T / F
4. Some of our parents came and helped us plant our garden. T / F
5. 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 |  <p>Our class wanted to build a <u>garden</u> where <u>butterflies</u> would like to live.</p> |
| 6 |  <p>We looked after the <u>garden</u>. We saw eggs, <u>caterpillars</u>, and luckily a butterfly climbing out of its <u>chrysalis</u>.</p> |
| 2 |  <p>We looked on the <u>Internet</u> to find out what kinds of butterflies <u>live</u> in our area.</p> |
| 3 |  <p>We asked the butterfly <u>keeper</u> what sorts of <u>plants</u> the butterflies would like to visit.</p> |
| 5 |  <p>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.</p> |
| 4 |  <p>We drew up <u>plans</u> for our garden and we <u>voted</u> to choose the garden plan we liked <u>best</u>.</p> |

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.