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Key Ideas: Butterflies

Directions: Read the text below about butterflies. Write information you learned by reading the text or looking at the pictures.

The butterfly is a flying insect with two wings and two antennae. They have three main body parts: the head, thorax, and abdomen. Butterflies have a long proboscis, or tongue, that they use to drink nectar from plants.

Butterflies come in many different colors and sizes. Butterflies live only around 40 days. Some butterflies only live for three to four days.

A butterfly starts out as an egg and grows into a caterpillar. The caterpillar then forms a chrysalis. Inside of the chrysalis, the caterpillar turns into a butterfly.

You can find butterflies anywhere in the world, except for Antartica.

What do butterflies look like?

What do butterflies eat?

What is this passage about?

How do butterflies grow?

Where can you find butterflies?

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Answer Key

1. They have two wings, two antennae, three main body parts (the head, thorax, and abdomen), long proboscis.
2. They eat nectar from plants.
3. This passage is about butterflies.
4. Butterflies grow by starting out as an egg, growing into a caterpillar, forming a chrysalis, and into a butterfly.
5. You can find butterflies anywhere in the world except for Antartica.