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Reading – organising information

Put these sentences in the right order. Write the correct number next to each sentence. Number one has been done for you.

_____ A beautiful monarch butterfly breaks out of the chrysalis.

_____ A striped caterpillar hatches from the egg.

_____ Then it hangs under a leaf, splits its skin and turns into a green chrysalis.

_____ In two weeks the chrysalis becomes darker.

1 The monarch butterfly lays an egg on a swan plant.

_____ For three weeks the caterpillar eats and grows bigger.



Grammar – nouns

A **noun** is the name of a place, a person or any object. Find four nouns that name parts of the butterfly's body in these sentences:

The butterfly climbs out and hangs upside down by its legs. It begins to stretch its crumpled wings, so blood can be pumped into the veins. When the wings are fully spread, the butterfly is ready to fly away.



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Spelling

Small words can be part of bigger words. For example, the word **age** hides inside the word **stages**. Circle the little words that are part of the bigger word. The clues will help.

butterfly – we put it on bread

caterpillar – we may take one if we are sick

wings – to be first

feelers – a long slimy animal

insect – the opposite to out

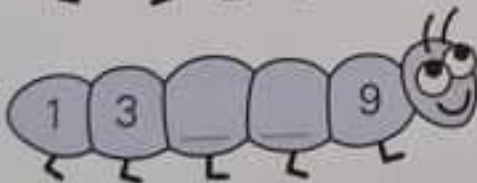
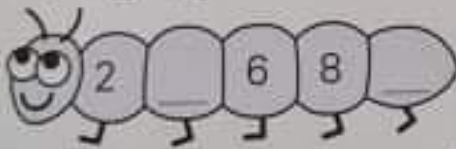
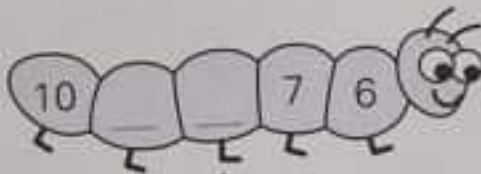
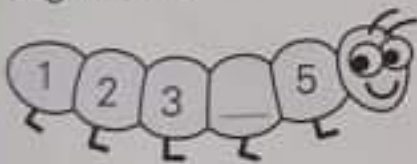
monarch – a rounded doorway



Maths

1. Number patterns

Write in the numbers that are missing from these caterpillar segments.



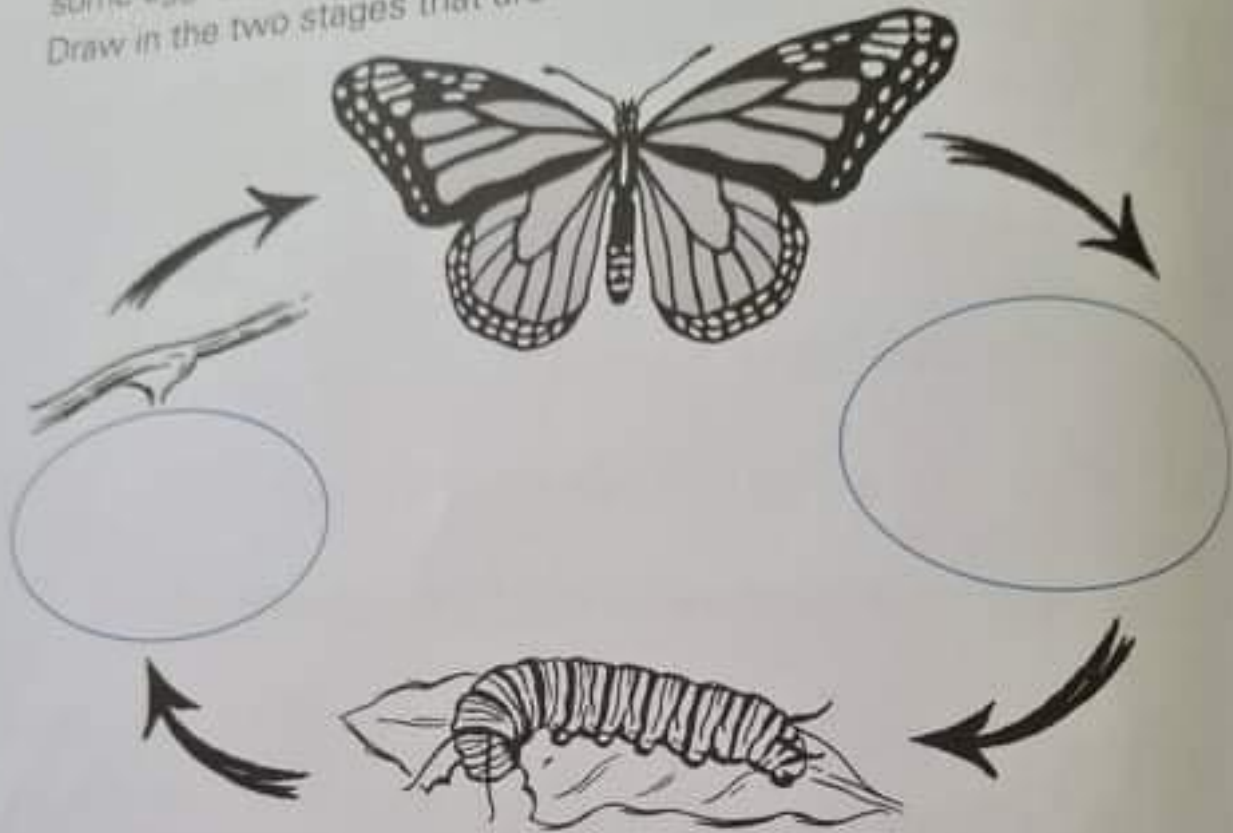
2. Measurement

Use a centimetre ruler to measure the length of these caterpillars.



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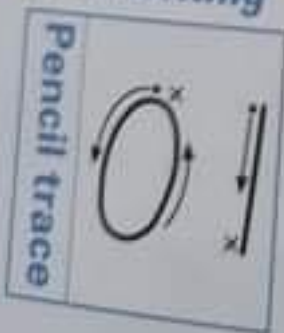
Science - The life cycle of the Monarch butterfly only lives for a short time. It lays some eggs on leaves. Its life cycle begins again when the eggs hatch. Draw in the two stages that are missing.



Extra for experts

Make a **butterfly feeder**. Glue coloured beads to a saucer. Make nectar by adding sugar to water. Pour a little of your home-made nectar into a saucer without covering the beads. Replace the nectar daily.

Handwriting



Complete these lines by copying the numerals.

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