

Topic: Caterpillars and Butterflies

Books:

1. Teacher Jen reads Waiting for Wings by Lois Ehlert on the [YouTube playlist](#) .
2. [Eric Carle reads The Very Hungry Caterpillar](#)
3. [The Very Hungry Caterpillar animated story](#)
4. [Metamorphosis: Caterpillar to Butterfly](#)
5. [Butterfly \(nonfiction\)](#)
6. [The Butterfly by Anna Milbourne and Cathy Shimmen](#)
7. [10 Magic Butterflies read by author Danica McKellar](#)
8. [Pete the Cat and the Cool Caterpillar](#)

Songs and Movement:

1. [Butterfly Life Cycle Song](#)
2. [The Butterfly Song](#)
3. [Butterfly, Butterfly](#)
4. [A Symmetrical World](#)
5. [Learn to Dance: Butterfly Wings](#)

Crafts:

1. Here is a great video on how to make a symmetrical butterfly. We would have done something like this is at school. Explain that symmetry is when something is the same on both sides, like a mirror image. I included a video/song on symmetry too that they will enjoy. [Making a symmetrical butterfly](#)



2. Coffee filter butterflies are fun too! If we were at school I would use watercolors with droppers for this, but at home I would just use water color paints for this project. After it dries, tie it together in the middle with a clothespin and/or pipe cleaners.



Other ideas:

1. Play with your food and make a butterfly snack! Here are some ideas.



12 Butterfly Food Ideas for kids!



<https://www.superhealthykids.com/recipes/top-12-adorable-butterfly-food-ideas-kids/>

2. Make a Caterpillar to Butterfly life cycle on a paper plate. Divide the paper plate into quarters, like 4 pieces of pizza. Label the 4 quarters: egg, caterpillar, chrysalis, butterfly.



<https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/articles/teaching-content/butterfly-life-cycle-plate-craft/>

3. Show your kids these photos of the caterpillars as they grew. Then in this week's read aloud video I show them that they turned into a chrysalis. As of Sunday morning they are butterflies! I will show them as butterflies next week.



Printables:

1. [Trace the Caterpillar Coloring Page - Twisty Noodle.pdf](#)
2. [Color the Butterfly Coloring Page - Twisty Noodle.pdf](#)
3. [Beautiful Butterfly Coloring Page - Twisty Noodle.pdf](#)
4. [Butterfly Activity Book - Twisty Noodle.pdf](#)