The Cautious Caterpillar

Challenge Cards

Did You Know?

A female butterfly lays her eggs on leaves.

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Did You Know?

Butterfly eggs are very tiny.

Different types of butterflies will lay eggs in different shapes, sizes and colours.

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Did You Know?

Caterpillars eat their way out of their egg.

They start munching on leaves straight away.

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Did You Know?

Some caterpillars have tiny hairs on their bodies.

These help to protect them from predators.

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Did You Know?

Caterpillars have 16 legs.

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Did You Know?

As a caterpillar eats leaves, it gets bigger and bigger.

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Did You Know?

Caterpillars shed their skin because it becomes too tight as they get bigger.

A caterpillar might shed its skin four or five times as it grows!

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Did You Know?

When a caterpillar is fully grown, it turns itself into a chrysalis.

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Did You Know?

A chrysalis is the stage that happens to the insect after it is a caterpillar but before it becomes a butterfly.

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Did You Know?

The caterpillar changes into a butterfly inside the chrysalis.

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Did You Know?

When a caterpillar changes into a butterfly, this is called metamorphosis.

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Did You Know?

When a butterfly comes out of its chrysalis, it cannot fly straight away.

Its wings are soft, wet and wrinkled.

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Did You Know?

Butterflies drink, rather than eat.

They like to drink water, liquid from fruit, and nectar (a sugary liquid) from flowers.

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Did You Know?

Butterflies actually have four wings!

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Did You Know?

A butterfly's wings are almost always symmetrical (a mirror-image of each other).

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Did You Know?

The butterfly will look for a mate and the whole life cycle will begin again!

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