

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

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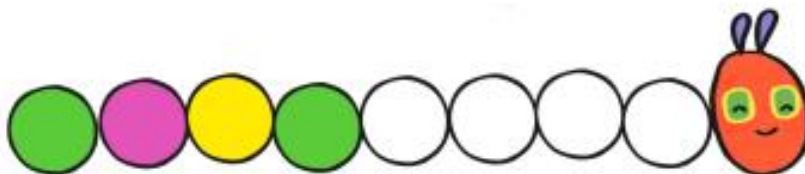
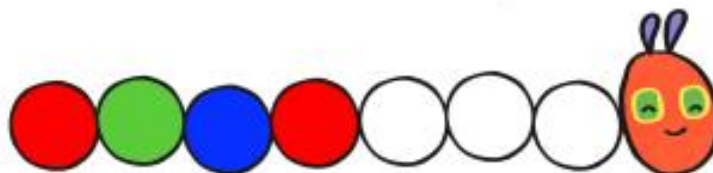
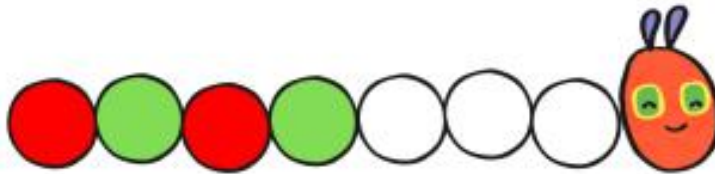
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Can you make a dance showing the life cycle of a butterfly?



The Very Hungry Caterpillar Pattern Sheet

Continue the patterns below.



Can you use items around your house or outside to make some repeating patterns?

You could use anything, here are some ideas:



Literacy Challenges

What can you find out about butterflies?

Try to find some information and create a fact file.

You could use the internet, or you could go for a walk and try to spot as many different butterflies as you can. Look for caterpillars in the garden use the identification sheets to find out what types of caterpillars and butterflies live in your garden.

Can you go outside on a nature walk and explore the outdoors while looking for insects and animals.

Here are some good words to describe caterpillars:

Green

Yellow

Orange

Spiky

Fluffy

Dotty

Wriggly

Curly

Bendy

Tick them off when you have spotted them!

Do you know other words?

Can you write a similar story about a 'very hungry' animal? What happens to it?

Retell the story from the point of view of the caterpillar. Why was it so hungry? How did it feel after eating so much?



Can you paint a picture of a butterfly?



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Follow these instructions to make an 'Egg Carton Caterpillar'.

You will need:

Cardboard egg carton
Glue
Green paint
Paint brush
pipe cleaner
Sharp pencil
Scissors
Pen



What to do:

1. Cut a strip of 6 cups from the egg carton.
2. Paint the cups green and leave to dry.
3. Use a sharp pencil to make two holes in the first cup.
4. From inside the cup, poke both ends of the pipe cleaner through the pencil holes.
5. Bend the pipe cleaner to make them curly.
6. Use a pen to give your caterpillar a face.

Can you make 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' from natural resources?



The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Home Learning Challenge

The Very Hungry Caterpillar loves to eat lots of different foods. What is your favourite food? Draw a picture of your favourite food and write a sentence to tell us about it.



The Very Hungry Caterpillar eats 4 strawberries and 5 oranges. How many pieces of fruit did he eat altogether? You could use your fingers or draw a picture to help you.



In the story The Very Hungry Caterpillar eats some different foods each day. Can you remember the seven days of the week? Draw a picture or write a sentence about something you do each day.



At the end of the story the caterpillar turns into a butterfly. Can you find out what a tadpole turns into? You could use the Internet or books to help you. Draw or write your answer to share with the group.



Try some of the different fruits mentioned in the story. Which one is your favourite? You could try some apples, pears, strawberries, oranges, plums or watermelon. You could also try some other fruits – what other fruit might The Very Hungry Caterpillar like to eat?



Draw or paint a picture of a caterpillar or a butterfly. What colours do you need? What different parts do you need to draw? Talk to an adult about your picture.

Make a butterfly feeding table

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You will need

- Four metal screw eyes



- 30cm square piece of plywood



- String



- Jam jar lids



- Sugar solution
(sugar dissolved in hot water – use when cool)



- Coloured card



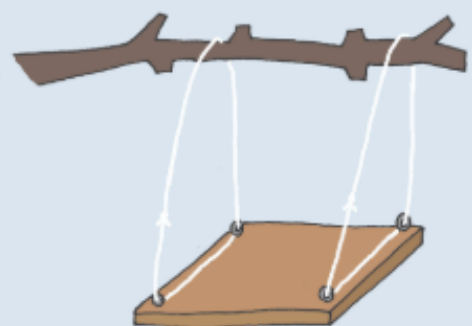
- Scissors



- 1 Screw the metal eyes into the four corners of the plywood.



- 2 Thread a one-metre piece of string through two of the eyes and over a tree branch before securing with a knot. Repeat for the other side of the table.

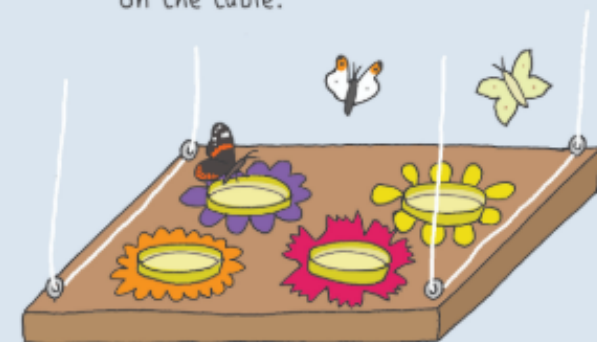


Make sure the table isn't hanging at an angle.

- 3 Pour sugar solution into jam jar lids and carefully place them on the table.



- 4 The butterflies will be attracted by the sugar solution, but try making your table more appealing by cutting flower shapes from coloured card and placing them under the lids on the table.



Do the butterflies prefer different colours or shapes?

Caterpillar Detective



Peacock butterfly



Small tortoiseshell butterfly



Cinnabar moth



Orange-tip butterfly



Large white butterfly



Garden tiger moth



Privet hawk-moth



Elephant hawk-moth



Drinker moth



Vapourer moth

Butterfly detective



Peacock



Brimstone



Comma



Orange-tip



Green-veined white



Holly blue



Small tortoiseshell



Painted lady



Red admiral


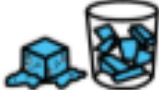




















Gatekeeper

Fruit Smoothie

Can you make a fruit smoothie?

Here is a simple recipe but you could use any fruits!

 Fruit Smoothie				
1	<p>get ice</p> 	<p>juice</p> 	<p>strawberries and a banana</p> 	<p>a blender, knife, & cups</p> 
2	<p>wash</p> 	<p>strawberries</p> 	<p>and cut off</p> 	<p>the leafy top</p> 
3	<p>peel the banana</p> 	<p>and slice</p> 		
4	<p>put 5</p> <p>5</p>	<p>ice cubes</p> 	<p>and fruit</p> 	<p>in blender</p> 
5	<p>put 1 cup</p> 	<p>juice</p> 	<p>in blender</p> 	
6	<p>blend</p> 	<p>for 1 minute</p> <p>1</p>	<p>pour into cups</p> 	<p>drink & enjoy</p> 

Look at the pictures and put them in the correct order to show the life cycle of a butterfly.

