





Learn About Butterflies

a reading and spelling review activity

Butterfly Identification Chart

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Hands-on, multisensory practice makes learning stick. This charming, multi-level reading or spelling activity is a fun and engaging way to review and practice the words and concepts your student is learning.

Turn learning into art! Create a wall hanging or mobile of these beautiful butterfly illustrations and display your child's creation in your home to build confidence and motivation.



Instructions for Reading Practice

- 1) Print the butterfly cards that correspond with your student's reading level. (Print the pages back-to-back. Or, if you prefer, you can glue or tape the pages together.)
 - For *All About Reading* Level 1, print pages **5-8**
 - For *All About Reading* Level 2, print pages **9-12**
 - For *All About Reading* Level 3, print pages **13-16**
 - For *All About Reading* Level 4, print pages **17-20**
- 2) Cut the butterfly cards apart and place them on the table with the illustrations facing up.
- 3) Have your child select a butterfly card, turn it over, and read the word aloud. Continue until all of the cards have been read.
- 4) Have your child select a card and find the matching butterfly image on the chart.
- 5) Share the name, habitat, and fun fact about that butterfly with your child. Continue until all of the butterflies have been identified.

Instructions for Spelling Practice

- 1) Print pages **21-24**. (Print the pages back-to-back. Or, if you prefer, you can glue or tape the pages together.)
- 2) Cut the butterfly cards apart and place them on the table with the illustrations facing up.
- 3) Have your child select a butterfly card and turn it over. Dictate a word from your current spelling lesson and have your child write it on the back of the card. Continue until all the cards are completed.
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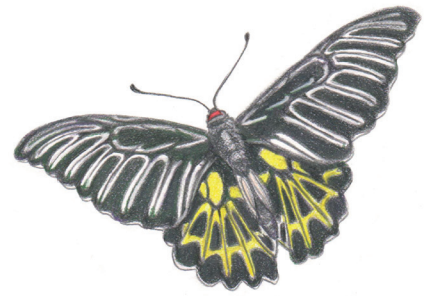
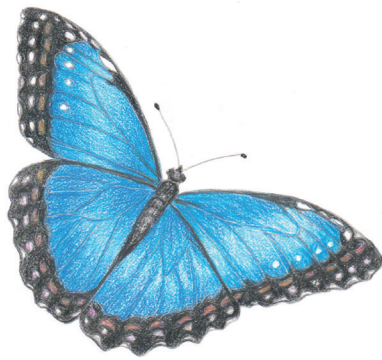
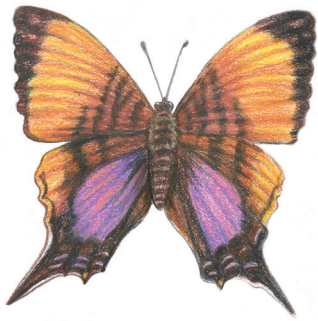
For More Butterfly Fun

Use your creativity! Have your child create a wall hanging or a mobile to show off his or her creativity.

- 1) Tie lengths of string or fishing line to a dowel, hanger, or tree branch.
- 2) Use tape on the back of the butterfly cards to attach them to the string or fishing line.
- 3) Enjoy your pretty butterflies!

Share Your Creativity!

- 4) Photograph your child's project with your beaming child!
- 5) Tag us on social media with your child's masterpiece!



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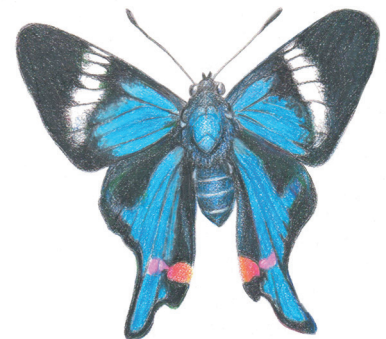
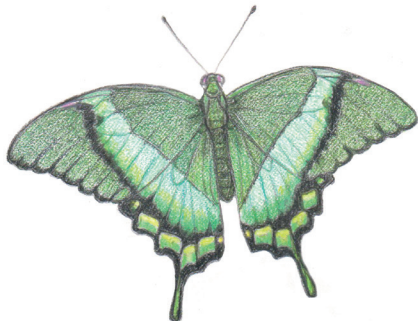
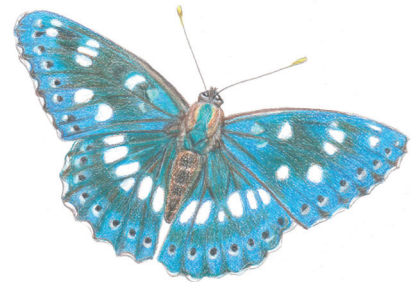
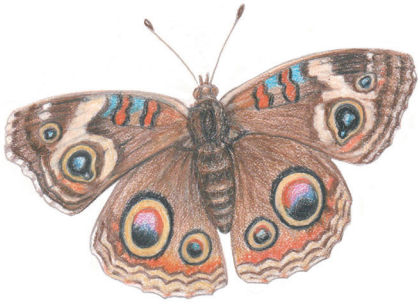
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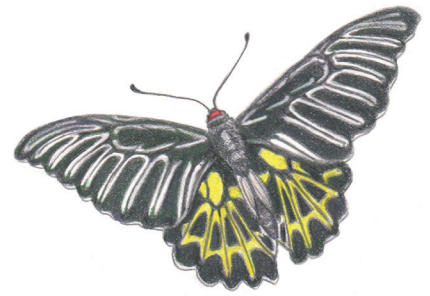
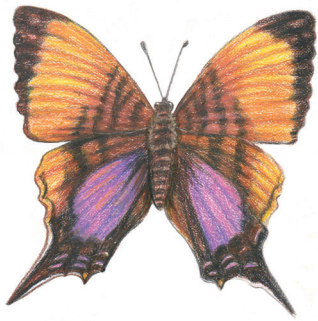
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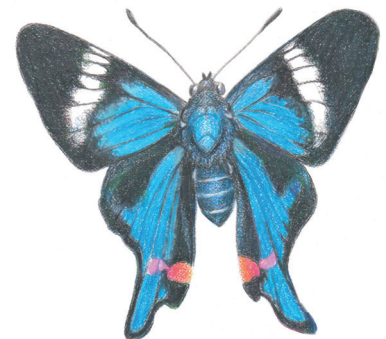
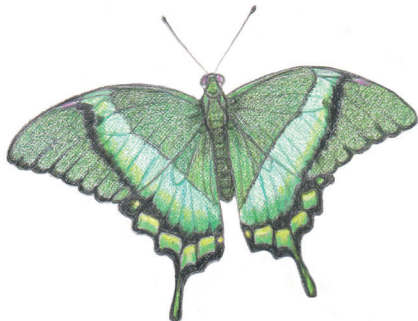
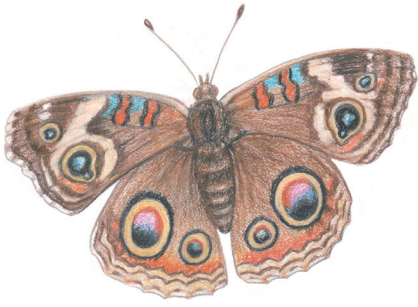
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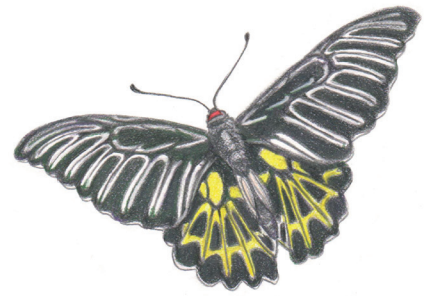
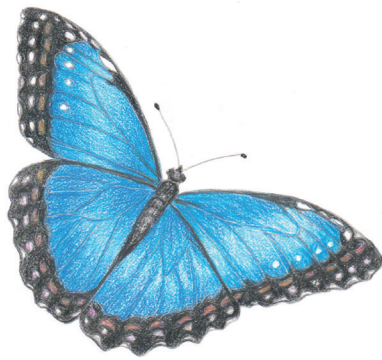
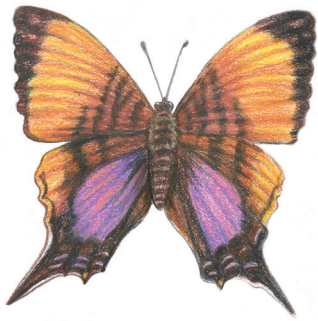
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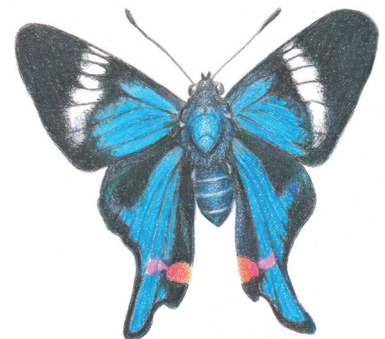
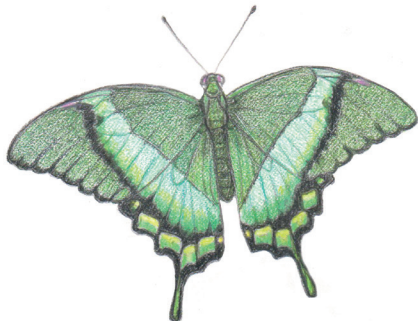
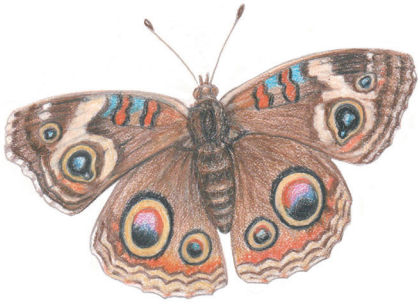
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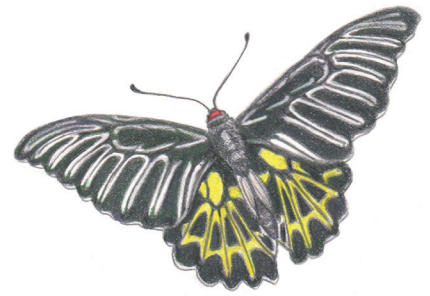
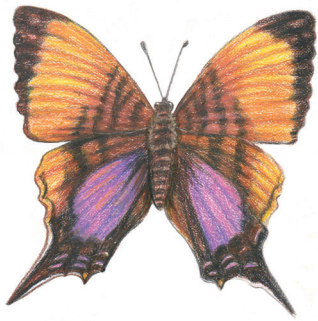
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habitat

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gracefulness

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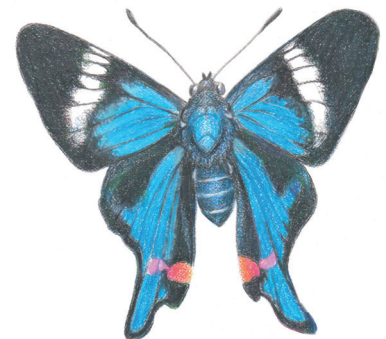
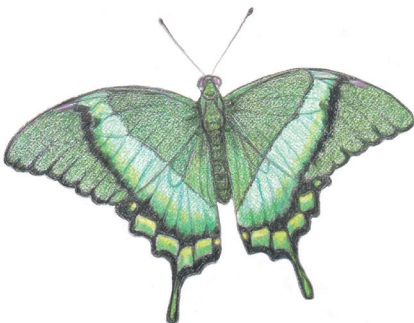
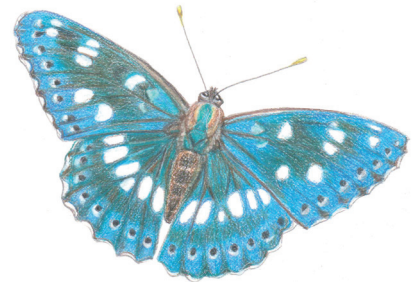
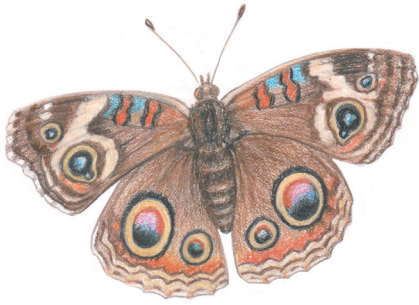
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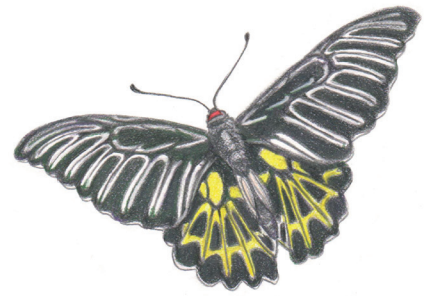
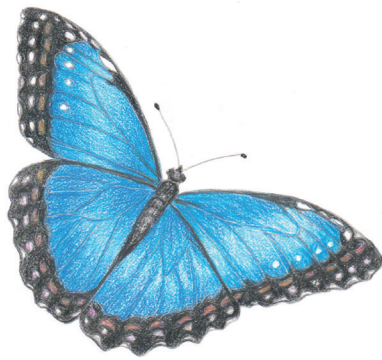
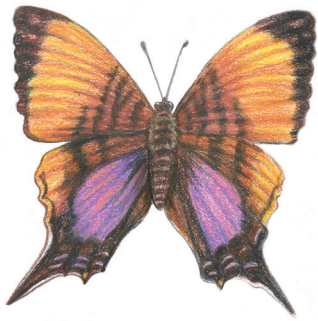
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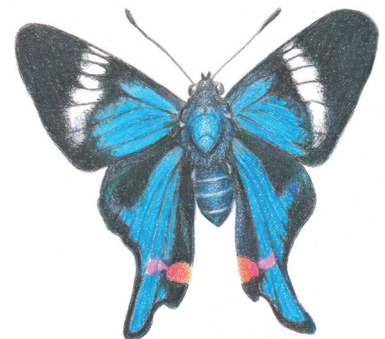
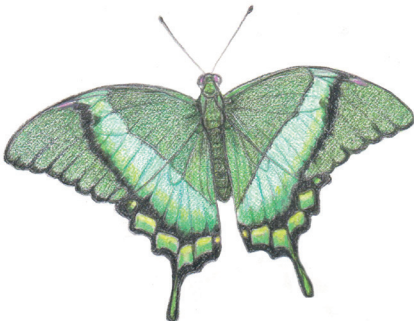
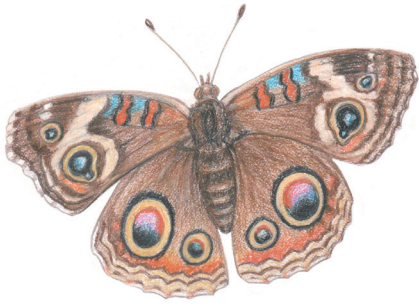
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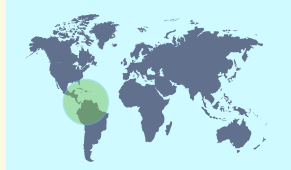




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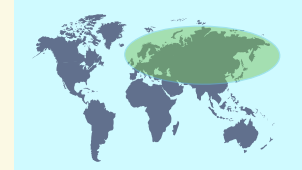
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Malachite



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Fun Fact:

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Magellan Birdwing



HABITAT: Orchid Island

Fun Fact:

The extremely rare Magellan Birdwing is only found in one place: Taiwan's Orchid Island, a 17 square mile island that 2,000 of these butterflies call home.



Purple Emperor



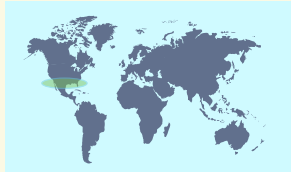
HABITAT: South Central England

Fun Fact:

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Gulf Fritillary



HABITAT: Southern United States

Fun Fact:

You may have heard this butterfly called by a different name! Its nickname is the “Passion Butterfly”, because it absolutely loves passionflowers!



White Peacock



HABITAT: Southern United States, the Caribbean, Mexico, Central America, South America

Fun Fact:

White Peacock butterflies are one of the only types of butterflies who will find a patch of plants they like and then patrol it to keep other butterflies off of their plants.



Great Mormon



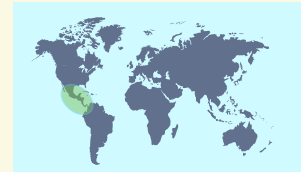
HABITAT: Southern Asia

Fun Fact:

Great Mormon butterflies could be considered the fashionistas of the insect world—the females have been spotted with at least 26 different wing patterns!



Mexican Bluewing



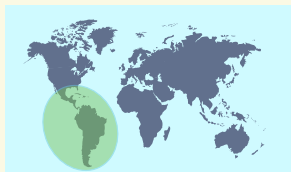
HABITAT: Mexico, Central America, Northern Colombia

Fun Fact:

Everyone has a favorite fruit, and so do Mexican Bluewing butterflies—only the fruit that they like to eat is any kind of fruit that’s a little rotten!



Common Postman



HABITAT: Mexico, Central America, South America

Fun Fact:

Danger, danger! This butterfly’s bright red wings are a signal to predators that they shouldn’t try taking a bite—the Common Postman is poisonous!



Monarch



HABITAT: United States

Fun Fact:

Milkweed plants are very important to Monarch butterflies, because those are the only plants they’ll lay their eggs on, and the only food their caterpillars will eat.



Common Buckeye



HABITAT: Southern Mexico, Central America, South America

Fun Fact:

Just like the European Peacock, this butterfly also has eyespots to frighten off predators. Wouldn't you be intimidated by a creature with eight eyes?



Goliath Birdwing



HABITAT: New Guinea and surrounding islands

Fun Fact:

The Goliath Birdwing is well-named—it is the second largest butterfly in the world, with a wingspan of up to 11 inches!



Purple Spotted Swallowtail



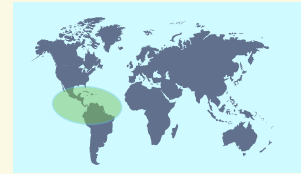
HABITAT: New Guinea

Fun Fact:

These vibrantly-colored butterflies are tougher than they look! They live and thrive in extremely hot places, and are known to fly as high as 4,500 feet!



Banded Orange Longwing



HABITAT: Central Mexico, Central America, Northern Brazil

Fun Fact:

These resourceful butterflies have been spotted in the wild sipping crocodile tears for the salt in them!



Lesser Emperor



HABITAT: Southern Europe, Northern Africa, Middle East, Asia

Fun Fact:

Perhaps inspired by their exalted title, these butterflies spend most of their time flying high in the treetops, only coming down occasionally to find water and food.



Southern White Admiral



HABITAT: Southern and Central Europe, Middle East, Central Asia, Japan

Fun Fact:

The Southern White Admiral has a swift, graceful flight pattern of dips and rises that create a beautiful wave-like motion.



Tiger Swallowtail



HABITAT: Eastern United States, Ontario

Fun Fact:

The Tiger Swallowtail is the state butterfly of Alabama, Delaware, Georgia, and South Carolina.



Emerald Swallowtail



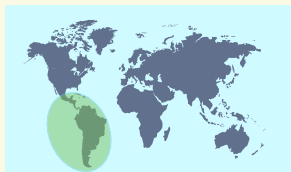
HABITAT: Southeast Asia

Fun Fact:

When this beautiful butterfly's wings are viewed from different angles, the green bands appear yellow or blue!



Scarlet Peacock



HABITAT: Trinidad and Tobago, Central America, South America

Fun Fact:

Like most butterflies, Scarlet Peacocks will slowly flutter their wings while they're feeding, most likely to help keep their temperature regulated.



Painted Lady



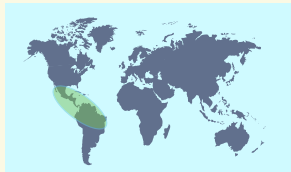
HABITAT: All continents except South America and Antarctica

Fun Fact:

This is the world's most well-traveled butterfly, with the longest migration of any insect! They can fly up to 30 miles an hour.



Painted Beauty



HABITAT: Mexico, Central America, South America

Fun Fact:

The underside of this butterfly's wings might surprise you: instead of being blue, they're yellow, and vary in shade from pale cream to deep gold.



Blue Doctor



HABITAT: Central America, South America

Fun Fact:

Unlike many butterflies that will lay clusters of several dozen eggs at once, this butterfly lays only one or two eggs at a time, always in the hottest part of the day.



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