

Beautiful Butterfly Lesson Plan K-1

Introduction:

- I. What do butterflies do?
 - a. Pollinators
 - b. Beautiful
- II. Where do we find Butterflies?
 - a. Flowers and plants
 - b. Milkweed

Butterfly Life Stages Craft

Supplies:

Life Cycle handout
Shell, rotini, and bow tie pasta and beans or small bead-like pasta
Glue
Butterfly larvae
Butterfly House

1. Discuss how butterflies go through various life stages
 2. As you discuss each stage, have them glue the pasta shape to correlate to the life stage:
 - a. Eggs=beans or bead-like pasta
 - b. Larvae=rotini
 - c. Chrysalis=shell
 - d. Butterfly=bow tie
 3. Make sure they write their name on their paper to take home.
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- III. What do butterflies look like?
 - a. Different kinds
 - b. Difference between bugs and insects
 - c. What do the colors mean?
 - IV. How do we protect butterflies?
 - a. Plant habitat
 - b. Don't destroy habitat
 - c. Make sure we use pesticides and herbicides wisely

Coffee Filter tie-dye butterflies Craft

Supplies:

Coffee filters
Markers
Pipe cleaners
Spray bottle full of water
Table covering

1. setup: Cover tables and lay out supplies for each youth
2. have each youth color and design their coffee filters (1-3 per person)
3. When finished designing, spray filters with water and watch the colors bleed together to create a tie-dye pattern
4. Let dry well

5. Wrap filters up with pipe cleaner to create the shape of a butterfly.
6. Look at it in a window to see the pretty colors come through.

Snack- Butterfly Fruit Pizza

Supplies:

- Sugar cookie dough
 - Strawberry cream cheese
 - Various cut fruit
1. Bake the cookie dough in a large pan or cookie sheet like a crust
 2. Let dough cool
 3. Frost with the cream cheese
 4. Use the various cut fruit to create a shape or design—in this case a butterfly

**As the youth eat their snack, read to them a book about butterflies.

-Do the second half of the coffee filter craft and clean up

- If time, put together the butterfly puzzle on the floor.