**AMAZING MONARCHS**

**SUMMER READING**

**Grades:** K-4

**Objectives:** Students will practice their informational reading and note-taking skills.

**What's Inside?**
- Reading passage
- Student Handout
- Note Organizer

**Sources:** Read Works and CILC Maker Space
Butterflies are beautiful insects. You often see them around colorful flowers. A butterfly’s life begins in a special way. First, a mother butterfly lays an egg on a leaf. A caterpillar hatches from the egg. The caterpillar eats leaves and grows bigger.

Next, the caterpillar spins a covering around itself. The covering is called a chrysalis (KRIS-a-liss). Inside the chrysalis, the caterpillar slowly changes. The parts of a butterfly begin to form, like the wings, legs, and antennae.

About two weeks later, a new creature pops out of the chrysalis. It has become a butterfly! The butterfly flutters its wings and flies away.
Name: ___________________________ Date: __________________

Directions: For questions 1-4, circle the correct answer.

1. What kind of animal is a butterfly?
   a) Butterflies are reptiles.
   b) Butterflies are insects.
   c) Butterflies are mammals.

2. The text describes the different steps in a butterfly's life. What are butterflies when they first hatch?
   a) Butterflies hatch as worms.
   b) Butterflies hatch as caterpillars.
   c) Butterflies hatch as fully grown butterflies.

3. Read the following sentences from the text:

"Inside the chrysalis, the caterpillar slowly changes. The parts of a butterfly begin to form, like the wings, legs, and antennae.

“About two weeks later, a new creature pops out of the chrysalis. It has become a butterfly!"

Based on this information, when does the caterpillar turn into a butterfly?
   a) while it is in the chrysalis
   b) after it leaves the chrysalis
   c) before it spins the chrysalis
4. What is "A Butterfly's Life" mostly about?
   a) how butterflies make a chrysalis
   b) what butterflies eat
   c) the life of a butterfly

5. What can you often see butterflies around?
   You can often see butterflies around
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6. Draw a butterfly that has just emerged from its chrysalis.
7. What did you learn from "A Butterfly's Life"?

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8. Class Discussion Question: Use information from the text to summarize the steps in the life of a butterfly.
3-2-1 Notes

Name ____________________________

Topic ____________________________

3 things I learned

1. 

2. 

3. 

2 questions I have

1. 

2. 

1 picture