



Life Cycle of a Butterfly



Egg

Eggs are laid by the female insect.

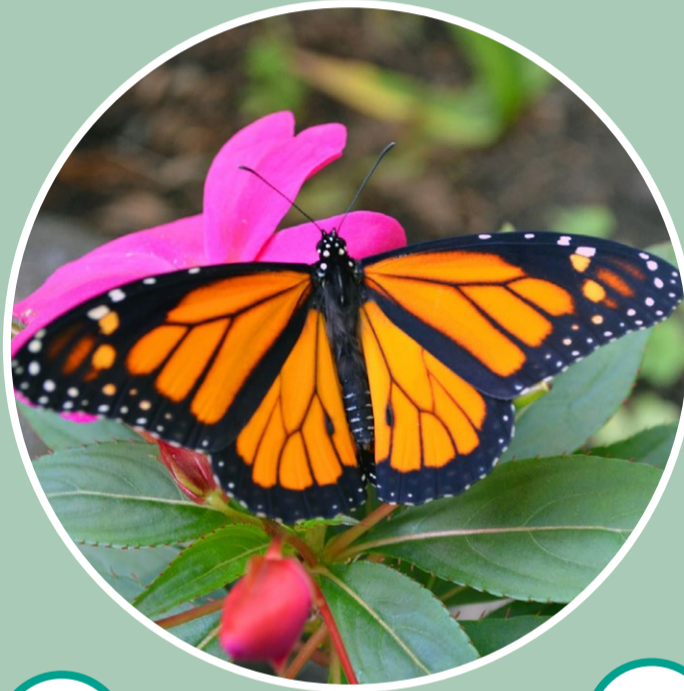
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Larva

Egg hatches into a larva. This varies depending on species. Common forms are caterpillars, maggots, grubs.

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Pupa

The pupa is usually where a hard case is formed around the larva...



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Adult

...and it metamorphoses (changes) into the adult.



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Adult

The adult breaks out of the pupa, matures, and lays eggs.



Other insects that complete metamorphosis

fly



beetle



ladybird

