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Butterfly Summer

Reading level 5 (2nd grade) · 96 words

"Look, Mia!" said Mom. "A bug!"

It is a caterpillar. It eats the leaf.

Mia and Mom get milkweed leaves for it.

Each day Mia looks. It gets big.

Then it hangs from a twig.

It is a chrysalis now. It is still.

Mia waits and waits and waits.

One day it cracks! Out it comes!

Its wings are wet. Then they dry.

It is a butterfly! Its wings are orange.

It sits on Mia's hand. Mia is still.

It sips from a flower.

Then it flaps up, up, up!

Mia and Mom wash their hands.

Questions

1. What does the caterpillar eat?

A. Flowers
B. Milkweed leaves
C. Apples

2. Where does the caterpillar hang?

A. From Mia's hand
B. From a flower
C. From a twig

3. What comes out of the chrysalis?

A. A butterfly
B. A bird
C. A bee

4. Why does Mia wait and wait?

A. She lost her leaf
B. She is sleepy
C. She wants to see what comes out

5. What did the caterpillar do before it was a butterfly?

A. It flew
B. It ate and grew
C. It sang

6. What does "sip" mean?

A. Drink a little
B. Run fast
C. Sit down

Words to know

caterpillar: a crawling bug
chrysalis: where it changes
milkweed: a leafy plant
wings: parts for flying
twig: a little stick
sip: drink a little

Answer key: Butterfly Summer

1. B. Milkweed leaves
2. C. From a twig
3. A. A butterfly
4. C. She wants to see what comes out
5. B. It ate and grew
6. A. Drink a little