

Connections Between Events, Ideas, and Steps

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Quick Review

Many things happen in an order. Words like first, next, then, and last show the steps. Look for how one step leads to the next.

PART 1 — READ

Read the passage. Then answer the questions.

How a Butterfly Grows

A butterfly does not start out with wings. It changes its body in steps. This big change is called metamorphosis. There are four steps. The change takes time, but each step leads to the next one.

First, a mother butterfly lays a tiny egg on a leaf. Next, the egg hatches into a caterpillar. The caterpillar is hungry. It eats leaves and grows bigger and bigger. It eats for many days.

Then the caterpillar makes a hard case called a chrysalis. It stays still inside the case. Last, the case opens. A butterfly comes out with new wings. It dries its wings and flies away to start the cycle again.

PART 2 — PRACTICE

Read the passage. Then answer each question about the steps and how they connect.

1. What is the first step in a butterfly's life?
 - A. A caterpillar eats leaves.
 - B. A mother butterfly lays an egg.
 - C. A butterfly flies away.
 - D. A chrysalis opens.
2. What happens right after the egg hatches?
 - A. A butterfly comes out.
 - B. The egg makes a case.
 - C. A caterpillar comes out.
 - D. The leaf falls down.



3. Why does the caterpillar eat so many leaves?
 - A. to grow bigger
 - B. to clean the leaf
 - C. to hide from birds
 - D. to make a nest
4. What does the caterpillar make before it becomes a butterfly?
 - A. an egg
 - B. a leaf
 - C. a chrysalis
 - D. a wing
5. What is the last step in the passage?
 - A. The egg hatches.
 - B. A butterfly comes out and flies away.
 - C. The caterpillar eats leaves.
 - D. The mother lays an egg.
6. What is the big change in a butterfly's body called?
 - A. hibernation
 - B. migration
 - C. metamorphosis
 - D. vacation
7. Which word in the passage shows that one step comes before another?
 - A. leaf
 - B. first
 - C. wings
 - D. still
8. A butterfly is born with wings already.
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9. What does the butterfly do right after it comes out of the chrysalis?

10. List the four steps of how a butterfly grows in order.



Answer Keys

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Explanations	
1. B	Paragraph 2 says first a mother butterfly lays a tiny egg.
2. C	Paragraph 2 says next the egg hatches into a caterpillar.
3. A	Paragraph 2 says the caterpillar eats and grows bigger and bigger.
4. C	Paragraph 3 says the caterpillar makes a hard case called a chrysalis.
5. B	Paragraph 3 says last the case opens and a butterfly comes out and flies away.
6. C	Paragraph 1 says the big change is called metamorphosis.
7. B	The word first shows the order of the steps.
8. F	Paragraph 1 says a butterfly does not start out with wings.
9.	Answer: It dries its wings and then flies away. Accept any answer about drying wings and flying away.
10.	Answer: First an egg, next a caterpillar, then a chrysalis, last a butterfly. Accept the four steps in the correct order.



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