

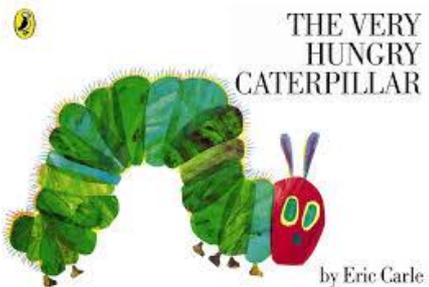
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Week 9

Thursday 21st May 2020

Crazy caterpillars!



This week our activities are based around the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle, so our first activity is watching a video of the story <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75NQK-Sm1YY>

Caterpillar Creations

Children love threading with beads or buttons and threading is a fantastic way to help develop a child's fine-motor control.

Can you thread pasta onto pipe-cleaners, string or sticks to make a caterpillar?

You can use plain pasta, or colour it with paint or food colouring. Threading cheerios is also a lot of fun!

What else could you make? I'm sure you will have lots of ideas!



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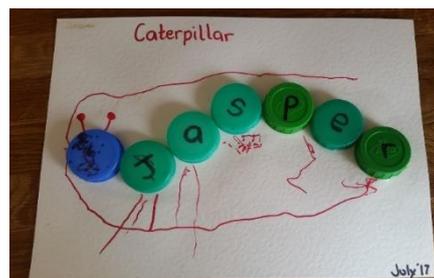


A different threading activity is threading with leaves. You can thread leaves onto string or sticks



How else could you make a caterpillar?

You could make a caterpillar using bottle tops, pegs, egg-boxes, paper circles, or with fingerprints. Or even turn yourself into a caterpillar!



How many different caterpillars can you make? Or maybe you would rather make worms or snakes instead!

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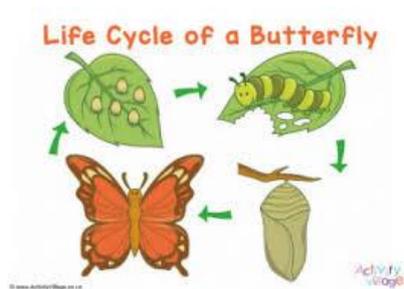


Camouflage caterpillars!

Make a few small caterpillars by wrapping some green wool, string or leaves around a stick. Hide them around your garden and ask your child to try and find them all. Make it quite easy at first – then make it harder and see if you can camouflage your caterpillar against a green leaf. Now can you find all the caterpillars?



Butterfly life-cycle



Watch how a caterpillar changes into a butterfly with these two clips from Cbeebies Minibeast Adventures
Learn about the caterpillar

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a75Jqde8k1I>

Learn about the butterfly

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FUEeu4moxzM>

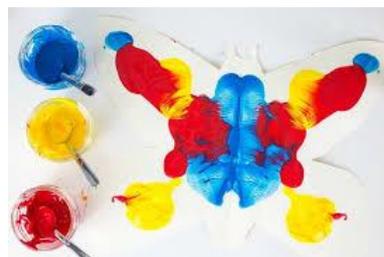


Symmetrical butterflies

A butterfly's wings are both the same. Can you use different objects to make a symmetrical pattern?

Make a line on the floor, then use a collection of objects to make both sides of the line the same. You could use shells, buttons, stones, sticks, building blocks, counters from a game, paint, anything you want!

The challenge is for both sides to be the same.



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National Children's Gardening Week

Next week is National Children's Gardening Week. The week's theme is 'Together we can make children grow.' Look at the website for lots of ideas for things you can do in the garden.

<https://www.childrensgardeningweek.co.uk/>



Song of the Week



Sing this song about The Very Hungry Caterpillar. It is a very catchy tune and will stay in your head all day! (Sorry!)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uYRPJ3FhYBw>

Exercise of the Week!

So this week, for a change, we have got a yoga version of the story too. See if you can persuade the whole family to join in with this Cosmic Kids Yoga Adventure!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xhWDiQRrCIY>



Minibeast Adventure

Now it is time to go on your very own Minibeast Adventure! When you go on your walk today, look all around you and see how many caterpillars and butterflies you can spot. If you look very carefully, you might even find some eggs on a leaf.

Have fun playing and learning together!

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