

DRAW YOUR OWN MOTH / BUTTERFLY

We have around 59 types (species) of UK butterfly and over 2500 moths! Why not have a go at drawing and labelling your own new type? Use the questions below to help - these are all features you'd look out for when trying to identify your species. Think about all of its different life stages.

ADULT

Are its wing patterns symmetrical?

What position does it hold its wings in - flat or folded?

What are its antennae like?

What does it eat?

Species name:

Moth or Butterfly?

Does it come out at night (nocturnal) or in the day (diurnal)?

Where does it live (habitat)?

Where does it live (habitat)?

What times of year can you see it?

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CATERPILLAR

Is it well
camouflaged?

How many
legs does it
have?

How does it
defend itself
from
predators?

What position
does it hold its
wings in - flat
or folded?

What plants
does it eat
(‘foodplants’)?

Is it poisonous or
nasty tasting?

Where does it live
(habitat)?

What times of year
can you see it?

How long is it
a caterpillar
for?

How does it
move?

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PUPA

Is it well
camouflaged?

How is it
defend itself
from
predators?

Does it include a
cocoon (silk case
surrounding the
pupa)?

Does it mimic
(look like)
anything else
to help
camouflage?

Where would it
be found
(habitat)?

How long is it
a pupa for?

What times of year
can you see it?

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EGG

Where is it
laid?

How long
does it take to
hatch?

Is it laid on its own
or in a group of
eggs (clump)?

Does it mimic
(look like)
anything else
to help
camouflage?

Where would it
be found
(habitat)?

What times of year
can you see it?

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