



**ACADEMY
SCIENCE CAMP**
from home

3-D Butterfly Life Cycle

Butterflies go through complete metamorphosis. This means they go through an egg, larva, pupa and adult stage during their life cycle. Adults look very different than larva. Try your hand at making a 3-D life cycle.

Know before you begin

- This activity can be done inside or outside
- All supplies are easy to find, substitute or leave out entirely
- Adult supervision is recommended
- Please choose a safe space to play

Materials

- Three pieces of white cardstock
- Printout of life cycle parts and labels
- Scissors
- Crayons
- Glue stick
- Tape



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Instructions

1. Take two pieces of cardstock and fold them in half width-wise.
2. Cut along the fold.
3. Draw a tree branch on each half of cardstock and color these branches.
4. Fold these halves in half lengthwise.
5. Open the folded halves and glue together so that they make a plus shape (+).
6. Color in the stages of the butterfly life cycle and cut them out.
7. Cut out a large circle from the third piece of cardstock. Note: make sure it is large enough to hold your plus-shape folded cardstock.
8. Glue the circle to the bottom of the plus shape. Note: It may be easier to tape it in place rather than glue.
9. Fold tabs on life cycle pieces and glue on in each section of your life cycle. Glue labels to the circle in each section.



