

Catch The Reading Bug 2007 – Week Five

Sub-Theme: Bug to Butterfly

Title: Bugs New to You!

Age: 4 – 6 yrs

Duration: ½ hour storytime and ½ hour for crafts

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Materials/Supplies:

- Colored construction paper (stiffer paper makes a more durable butterfly)
- A pencil
- Scissors
- Glue, tape or a stapler
- Crayons, paint or markers
- Googly eyes (optional)
- Coffee filter
- Markers
- Pipe cleaners
- Spray bottle
- Magnets

Procedure:

1. Welcome Rhyme & Action:

Wiggle Worms

Once there were some little worms.
And all they did, was squirm and squirm.
They wiggled and wiggled up and down.
They wiggled and wiggled all around. (Let your children around for a while)

They wiggled and wiggled and wiggled until,
They were tired and could sit very still. (Have children sit down)

Now they could listen,
Now they could see
All of the things
I have here with me. (Start your story or circle time activity)
Jean Warren

2. Song:

I Wish I Were a Teeny Tiny Bug
(Tune: If you're happy and you know it)

Oh, I wish I were a teeny tiny bug.
Oh, I wish I were a teeny tiny bug.

I would curl up nice and snug
On a teeny tiny rug
And give myself a teeny tiny hug!
Elizabeth Scofield

3. Fingerplay:

Five Little Ladybugs

Five little ladybugs on our front door, (Hold up five fingers.)
One flew to Isaac, and that left four. (Hold up four fingers.)
Four little ladybugs, oh so wee,
One flew to Noah, and that left three. (Hold up three fingers.)
Three little ladybugs saying "howdy-do,"
One flew to Brian, and that left two. (Hold up two fingers.)
Two little ladybugs snoozing in the sun,
One flew to Runar, and that left one. (Hold up one finger.)
One little ladybug alone on the door,
It flew to Bella, then there were no more. (Bend down last finger.)
By Elizabeth Scofield
Substitute the names of your children for those in the rhyme

4. Song:

Eensy, Weensy Caterpillar (Tune: "Eensy, Weensy Spider")

Eensy weensy caterpillar
Crawled up the garden wall.
Down came the rain
He hoped he wouldn't fall.

Out came the sun
And dried up all the rain.
Then the eensy weensy caterpillar
Went on his way again.
Adapted traditional Jean Warren

5. Read the Book:

Lonely Wasp by Charles Fuge and Vicki Churchill
(Let children know that this is a book about making new friends)

6. Song and Action:

The Ants Go Marching One by One, Hurrah, Hurrah (have the children line up like a choo-choo train and march around the storytime room and fall down when you sing the line 'BOOM!BOOOM!BOOM!')

The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching one by one,
The little one stops to suck his thumb

And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!
The ants go marching two by two, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching two by two, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching two by two,
The little one stops to tie his shoe
And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The ants go marching three by three, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching three by three, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching three by three,
The little one stops to climb a tree
And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The ants go marching four by four, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching four by four, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching four by four,
The little one stops to shut the door
And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The ants go marching five by five, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching five by five, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching five by five,
The little one stops to take a dive
And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The ants go marching six by six, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching six by six, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching six by six,
The little one stops to pick up sticks
And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The ants go marching seven by seven, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching seven by seven, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching seven by seven,
The little one stops to count to seven
And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The ants go marching eight by eight, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching eight by eight, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching eight by eight,
The little one stops to shut the gate
And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The ants go marching nine by nine, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching nine by nine, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching nine by nine,
The little one stops to check the time
And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The ants go marching ten by ten, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching ten by ten, hurrah, hurrah
The ants go marching ten by ten,
The little one stops to say "THE END"
And they all go marching down to the ground
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

7. **Read the Book:**
The Very Ugly Bug by Liz Pichon (bugs blending in to nature and in costume)

8. **Flannel:**
The Very Hungry Caterpillar (explain metamorphosis to children with this story)

9. **Song and Action:**
What are the insects around the Mulberry Bush?
(have children act out the different insects)
(Tune of: Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush)

Hear the Bee buz round and round
Round and round
Round and round
Hear the Bee buz round and round
So early in the morning

See the grasshopper jump up and down
Jump up and down
Jump up and down
See the grasshopper jump up and down
So early in the morning

Watch the ladybug fly round and round
Round and round
Round and round
Watch the ladybug fly round and round
So early in the morning

Smell the stinkbug around the mulberry bush
Around the mulberry bush
Around the mulberry bush
Smell the stinkbug around the mulberry bush
So early in the morning

This is the way we leap like a flea...
Leap like a flea

Leap like a flea
This is the way we leap like a flea...
So early in the morning

Scrunch up and down like a green caterpillar
Like a green caterpillar
Like a green caterpillar
Scrunch up and down like a green caterpillar
So early in the morning

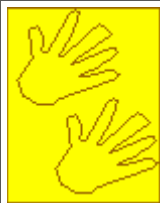
10. Craft:
Handprint Butterfly

This is a simple craft made from a child's handprint cutouts.



Supplies needed:

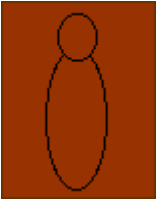
- A few pieces of colored construction paper (stiffer paper makes a more durable butterfly)
- A pencil
- Scissors
- Glue, tape or a stapler
- Crayons, paint or markers
- Googly eyes (optional)
- A pipe cleaner



Trace a child's hand on a few pieces of construction paper, for a total of 6 times. These will be the butterfly's wings.



Cut out the tracings.



On a piece of dark construction paper, draw a butterfly's body (draw a long oval plus a smaller circle at one end).



Glue or staple the handprint tracings to the body, three on each side. The fingers should point outwards.



Fold a pipe cleaner in half. Curl the ends a bit or wad them into balls. The folded pipe cleaner will be the butterfly's antennae.



Tape or staple the bent part of the pipe cleaner to the back side of the butterfly's head.

Either draw eyes on the butterfly's head or glue on googly eyes. Decorate the wings with crayons or markers.

You now have a great butterfly decoration.

11. Craft:

Colored Butterflies (using markers)

Materials

coffee filter
markers
pipe cleaners
spray bottle
magnets

Have the children color the coffee filter (the more color the better). When they are finished spray water on the entire filter (this gives a tie-dyed look) let it dry. Pinch together in the middle wrap a pipe cleaner around it turn the top of the cleaner for the antenna's and put a magnet on the back. They all had a great time making them and my son is still making them. You would also tie a clothes pin to it with pipe cleaner then add the magnet and it could hold messages on your fridge.

By Karen Miller.



12. **Draw:**
(*****See second attachment labeled “If You Were a Caterpillar” for full drawing page.)

**If you were a caterpillar, what kind of butterfly
or moth would you turn into?**

(Draw and colour yourself as a butterfly or moth below.)

13. **Resources:**

Books:

Lonely Wasp by Charles Fuge and Vicki Churchill

The Very Ugly Bug by Liz Pichon

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

Websites:

http://www.creativekidsathome.com/activities/activity_101.shtml#Butterflies

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/crafts/handprint/butterfly/>

http://www.preschoolexpress.com/music_station04/music_station_jun04.shtml