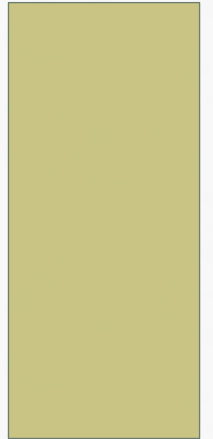


# Writing for different purposes

Report writing

LO: I can recognise the key features of a report.



# Non Chronological reports.


- In English we have spent lots of time looking at the story caterpillar shoes. We have also been looking at living creatures and their habitats in science.



For our next English writing project we are going to look at information texts in the form of a non fiction report.


# Now we are going to look at some more examples of information texts.

Do you know what the words non-fiction and non-chronological mean?



### Caterpillar and butterflies

Butterflies are a type of insect that are quite unusual as they go through a metamorphosis. This means that they begin life as one thing and then change into something completely different. Tadpoles do a similar thing as they change into frogs. Butterflies can be found all over the world and there are lots of species.




At the start of their lives, butterflies hatch from their eggs as caterpillars. This is the name given to the larvae or babies of a butterfly or a moth. As a caterpillar they are small and worm like with three pairs of true legs and spend most of their time eating leaves. They eat lots of food to give them enough energy to change themselves into a butterfly or a moth. Then when they have eaten enough they make themselves a hard shell called a chrysalis and they begin the transformation into a butterfly.

When caterpillars change into a butterfly their body changes completely, they have six legs and three body parts. They also have a pair of antennae and a long curly tongue called a proboscis which they use to drink nectar from flowers. Butterflies have two pairs of wings, which are typically brightly coloured. Their wings are covered with tiny scales.

The life cycle of a butterfly has four main stages. First they are an egg. Then they hatch into a caterpillar. After this they make a chrysalis and when they emerge they are a beautiful butterfly.

Did you know?

- Butterflies taste with their feet. When they stand on a leaf they can taste it to see if their caterpillars would like to eat it. This is how they decide where to lay their eggs.
- A group of butterflies is called a flutter!

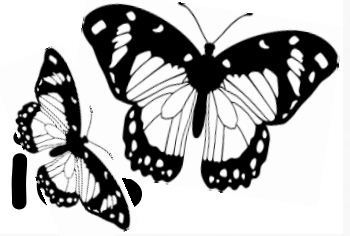


Lets have a look at an example of an information text. This is an example of a non- chronological report. What do you think the words non-fiction and non-chronological might mean?

As you look at the reports. What can you notice in them. Are they like a story? Why not?



# Caterpillar and butterfly

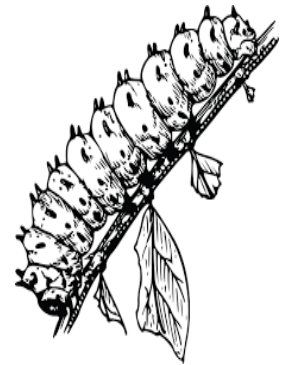


Butterflies are a type of insect that are quite unusual as they go through a process called metamorphosis. This means that they begin life as one thing and then change into something completely different. There are many species of butterfly. They come in many sizes and colours and can be found all over the world.



## How do butterflies start life?

At the beginning of their lives, butterfly larvae hatch from their eggs as tiny, little caterpillars. As a caterpillar they are small and worm like with three pairs of true legs. Caterpillars spend most of their time eating leaves. They eat lots of food to give them enough energy to change themselves into a butterfly or a moth. Then, when they have eaten enough they make themselves a hard shell called a chrysalis and they begin the transformation into a butterfly.





## What do butterflies look like?

When caterpillars change into a butterfly their body changes completely, they have six legs and three body parts. They also have a pair of antennae and a long curly tongue called a proboscis which they use to drink nectar from flowers. Butterflies have two pairs of wings. Their wings are covered with tiny scales and are often brightly coloured.

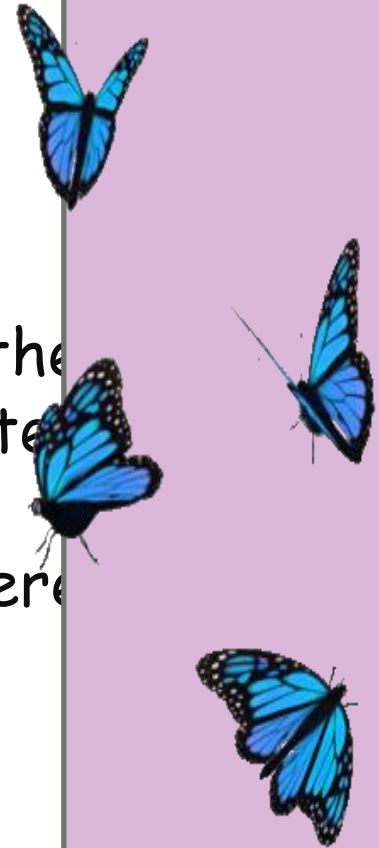
# What is the life cycle of a butterfly?

The life cycle of a butterfly has four main stages. First they are an egg. Then they hatch into a caterpillar. After this they make a chrysalis and when they emerge they are a beautiful butterfly.



Did you know?

- Butterflies taste with their feet. When they touch a leaf they can taste it to see if they like to eat it. This is how they decide where to lay their eggs.
- A group of butterflies is called a flutter.





# Use the checklist and tick off what features you can see!

Now you have read these reports, use the tick list to see what key features they have successfully included.

Features	Does the report have it?	Purpose
Headings		Tell us what the page will be about.
Subheadings		
Paragraphs		
Pictures		
Rhetorical questions		
Facts		
A story		



# Features of a non-chronological report.

We write non-chronological reports to give people information on a particular subject.

## Examples

- non-fiction book
- information leaflet
- fact sheet or fact file



## Structure

- use a title
- write an introduction
- put your information into sections
- give each section a sub-heading
- use facts that you have researched
- include pictures with captions



## Language Features

- use formal language, e.g. habitat, astronaut, monarch
- remember your full stops and capital letters
- add apostrophes to show possession, e.g. The Queen's birthday.
- use 'that', 'because', 'when' and 'if' to create longer sentences

