Trend Task: Butterfly

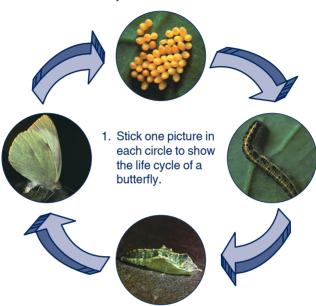
Approach: Station Access Task: Year: 4

Focus: Life cycles

Resources: Set of stickers

Questions / instructions:

The butterfly changes as it goes through its life. This is called its life cycle.



eggs follow butterfly	90 (88)	
caterpillar follows eggs	83 (77)	
cocoon follows caterpillar	81 (73)	
butterfly follows cocoon	83 (74)	
Tick all of the boxes that have the right answers:		
Butterflies are insects ticked	89 (87)	
Butterflies lay eggs ticked	88 (90)	
Butterflies are animals ticked	26 (25)	
Butterflies are mammals not ticked	74 (68)	
Butterflies are birds not ticked	87 (87)	
Total score: 8–9	52 (45)	
6–7	29 (29)	
4–5	15 (21)	
0–3	4 (5)	
Commentary:		

year 4

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Only about a quarter of the year 4 students indicated that butterflies (like all insects) are classified as animals. There was little change in performance between 1999 and 2003.