Butterfly Fun Facts

Adult butterflies lay their eggs on host plants. In the case of the Monarch Butterfly, the host plant is the milkweed plant.

Look for a tall green plant with broad leaves and a large seedpod growing near the top. This is the common milkweed plant that Monarchs love!

When the eggs hatch, the caterpillars that emerge eat the leaves and flowers of the host plant to get big and strong. Once they are ready, they form a chrysalis around themselves and after some time a butterfly emerges.

Butterflies drink nectar, a sweet liquid made by flowers. They use a flexible mouthpart, like a drinking straw, to sip the nectar up from the flower.

Garden Tips
Try planting aster, yarrow, butterfly bush, lavender, coneflower, allium or milkweed to attract butterflies to your garden!
Directions:
1. Design, color and cut your 2 butterfly shapes.
2. Glue a toothpick in the center of the backside of your butterfly, then paint a thin layer of glue on the rest of the backside of your butterfly and stick the two together.
3. Using a paperclip, clip a penny to the top two tips of your butterfly.