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Reading Test:

The Monarch Butterfly

Every year, millions of monarch butterflies make an incredible journey. These butterflies travel from Canada and the United States to Mexico. They travel thousands of kilometers to reach their destination.

The monarch butterflies face many problems on their journey. The weather can be bad, and sometimes there is not enough food. However, they always find their way.

Monarch butterflies have four stages in their life: egg, caterpillar, chrysalis, and adult butterfly. The whole process takes about a month. The generation that migrates lives longer, up to eight months.

It is important to take care of the monarch butterflies because their numbers are decreasing. Planting milkweed and creating butterfly gardens are ways to help.

Questions:

Multiple-Choice Questions:

1. Where do monarch butterflies travel for the winter?
   - a) Canada
   - b) The United States
   - c) Mexico
   - d) Europe
2. What are the four stages in the life of a monarch butterfly?
   - a) Egg, caterpillar, chrysalis, adult butterfly
   - b) Egg, pupa, adult butterfly, flower
   - c) Egg, caterpillar, flower, adult butterfly
   - d) Egg, pupa, flower, adult butterfly

Fill-in-the-Gaps Questions:

3. The weather can be _____ on the journey.
4. Monarch butterflies travel from _____ and the United States to Mexico.

Matching Questions:

5. Match the problem with the correct statement:
   - a) Weather
   - b) Food

   1) Sometimes there is not enough of this.
   2) This can be bad on the journey.

6. Match the stage with the correct description:
   - a) Egg
   - b) Caterpillar
   - c) Chrysalis
   - d) Adult butterfly

   1) The butterfly can fly.
   2) The insect grows and eats a lot.
   3) The insect is in a protective casing.
   4) The beginning stage of life.

True or False Questions:

7. Monarch butterflies travel to Mexico for the winter.
   - True
   - False

8. Monarch butterflies have only three stages in their life.
   - True
   - False

Open-Ended Questions:

9. Why do monarch butterflies migrate to Mexico?

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10. How can people help protect monarch butterflies?

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