



Life Cycle of a Butterfly



Egg

Eggs are laid by the female insect.

1

Adult

The adult breaks out of the pupa, matures, and lays eggs.



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Larva

Egg hatches into a larva. This varies depending on species. Common forms are caterpillars, maggots, grubs.

2



Adult

...and it metamorphoses (changes) into the adult.

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3

Pupa

The pupa is usually where a hard case is formed around the larva...



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Other insects that complete metamorphosis

fly



beetle



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