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Lesson: Metamorphosis of a Butterfly          Length: 8-10 minutes

Age or Grade Intended:  2nd grade

Academic Standards:

2.4.3 Observe and explain that plants and animals need to take in food and water to grow and develop.

2.8.2 Through physical action, depict a human or an animal.

Performance Objectives:

The students will pantomime the metamorphosis process of the life of a butterfly while listening to the process.

The students will describe the process when it is finished, using descriptive language.

Advanced Preparation by Teacher:
Write narrative pantomime outlining the metamorphosis of a butterfly, think of room space, write questions for after the drama activity.

Procedure:

1. Give the directions to the students while they are seated in their chairs.
2. Direct the students to the stage for their play space.
3. Start the students in a quiet position, describing the egg stage of a butterfly using soft vocal tones.
4. Gradually describe the change from an egg to a caterpillar.
5. Describe the activities of a caterpillar, using action words for the children to pantomime.
6. Describe the process to making a chrysalis while the children pantomime.
7. Describe the process of the butterflies breaking out of the chrysalis.
8. Describe the drying process for the butterflies after they are out of the chrysalis.
9. Describe the life processes of the butterfly.

Closure: Describe a quieting place where the “butterflies” can stop and look at their wings (quieting activity).

Self Reflection: