Butterflies are beautiful insects. You often see them around colorful flowers.

A butterfly's life begins in a special way. First, a mother butterfly lays an egg on a leaf. A caterpillar hatches from the egg. The caterpillar eats leaves and grows bigger.

Next, the caterpillar becomes a chrysalis (KRIS-a-liss). It makes a kind of hard shell that covers its whole body. During the time as a chrysalis, the caterpillar slowly changes. The parts of a butterfly begin to form, like the wings, legs, and antennae.

Weeks or months later, a new creature pops out of the chrysalis shell. It has become a butterfly! The butterfly flutters its wings and flies away.
1. What kind of animal is a butterfly?
   A. Butterflies are reptiles.
   B. Butterflies are insects.
   C. Butterflies are mammals.

2. The text describes the different steps in a butterfly's life. What are butterflies when they first hatch?
   A. Butterflies hatch as caterpillars.
   B. Butterflies hatch as fully grown butterflies.
   C. Butterflies hatch as worms.
3. Read the following sentences from the text:

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"Weeks or months later, a new creature pops out of the chrysalis shell. It has become a butterfly!"

Based on this information, where does the caterpillar turn into a butterfly?

A. inside its shell as a chrysalis  
B. on a leaf near the mother butterfly  
C. inside the egg the mother butterfly lays

4. What is "A Butterfly's Life" mostly about?

A. the life of a butterfly  
B. how butterflies lay eggs  
C. what butterflies eat
5. What can you often see butterflies around?

You can often see butterflies around

6. What did you learn from "A Butterfly's Life"?
7. Class Discussion Question: Use information from the text to summarize the steps in the life of a butterfly.

8. Draw a butterfly that has just emerged from its chrysalis shell.