

Snails

What do they look like?



Snails have a shell and tentacles. They have no legs.



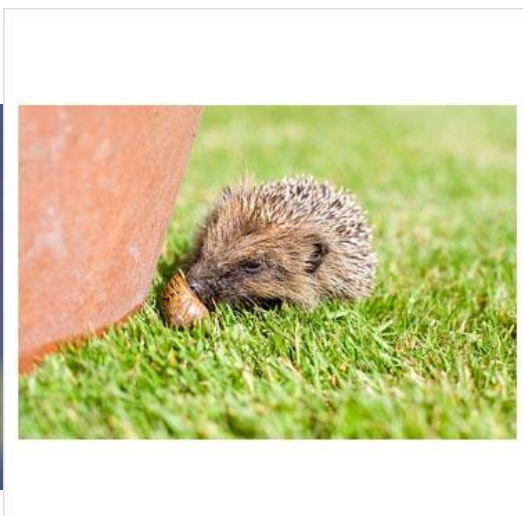
The shell has a spiral pattern.

What do they eat?



Snails eat leaves, flowers, fruit and vegetables. They need to eat chalk to make their shells strong.

Predators



Birds eat snails. They can smash the shells on rocks.
Frogs, snakes and hedgehogs eat snails too.

Defence



Snails have hard shells.



Snails make froth if they are afraid.

Life Cycles



Snails lay eggs.



The eggs hatch.

Young snails have soft shells. They get harder as they grow. They need to eat calcium.

Butterflies

What do they look like?



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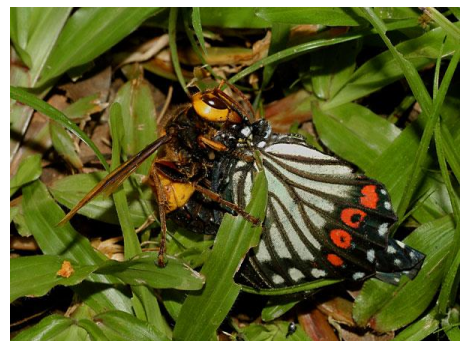
Butterflies have six legs. They are symmetrical. This means the wings have the same pattern on both sides.

What do they eat?



Butterflies drink nectar from flowers. They have a very long tongue for drinking nectar.

Predators



Spiders, birds, wasps and lizards eat butterflies.

Defence



Some can camouflage.



Some are poisonous to eat.

Life cycles



They lay eggs.



A caterpillar hatches.



It builds a cocoon.



It turns into a butterfly.

Ladybirds

What do they look like?



Ladybirds have got 6 legs.



They can be red, yellow or black.



They have wings under wing cases.



They can fly.

What do they eat?



They eat aphids. These are small green insects.

Predators



Birds and frogs eat ladybirds.

Defence



They let out a liquid from their legs to protect themselves. They can also play dead.

Life Cycle



Ladybirds lay eggs. A larva hatches out. The larva turns into a pupa, then a ladybird.

Minibeasts



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