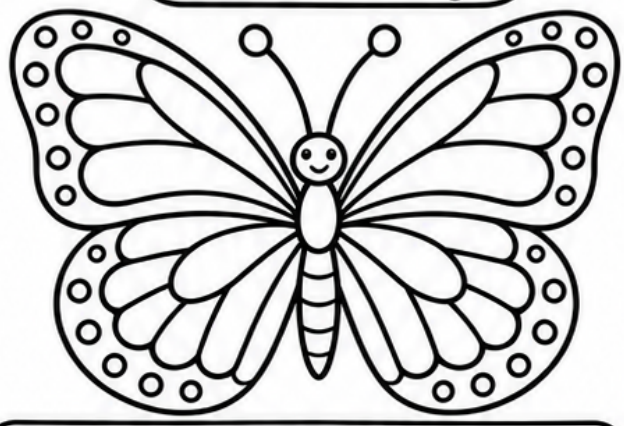
Butterfly vs Moth

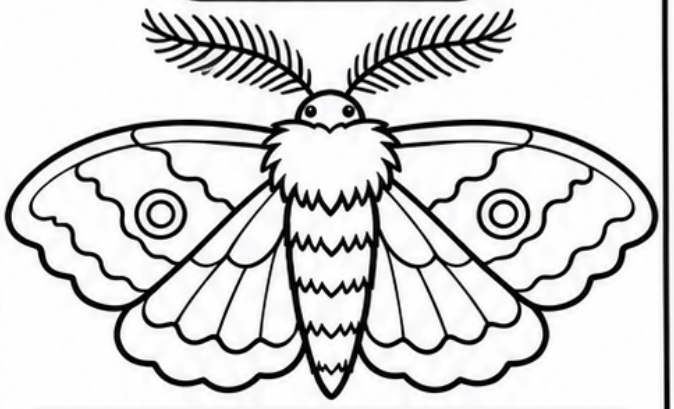
Fact Colouring Sheet

Butterfly



- Often have club-shaped antennae.
- Usually have patterned wings, which can be bright or more muted.
- Are usually active in the daytime.
- Often rest with their wings closed up.

Moth



- Many moths have feathery or straight antennae.
- Often have patterned wings, and some are brightly coloured.
- Many are active at night (nocturnal).
- Often rest with their wings open or flat.

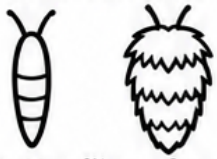
Comparison: Key Facts

Antennae



Butterflies often have club-shaped antennae.
Many moths have feathery or straight antennae.

Body shape and texture



Butterflies often have slimmer, less furry bodies.
Many moths have thicker, fuzzier bodies.

When they are active



Butterflies are usually active in the daytime.
Many moths are active at night.

How they rest



Butterflies often rest with their wings closed up.
Moths often rest with their wings open or flat.

Can you spot the differences?

- ☐ Look at the antennae on each insect.
- ☐ Compare their body shapes.
- ☐ Think about when they are active.

Both butterflies and moths are amazing insects!

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