

LEARN ABOUT BUTTERFLIES DAY

March 14th



13 to 16-year olds



Show learners the **series of flashcards depicting three butterflies eating** and discuss what they are doing: eating nectar from flowers, sap from trees, juices from rotting fruit.

Present the flashcard with the detail of the tongue and talk about how it acts like a straw.

Present the flashcards of butterflies using colour for camouflage (to blend into their surroundings so that animals that would eat them don't see them) or to warn birds that they don't taste nice) or to attract a partner.



Ask learners what their favourite butterfly is and why.



Show learners a series of **flashcards showing the stages of a butterfly**, from egg to butterfly and ask them to put them in the right order.



Show learners the **flashcard of the fall armyworm**, which destroys crops by devouring them (maize, millet and sorghum). Explain that scientists are studying this caterpillar to work out the best way to stop it from spreading as much.

