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Life Cycles



All living things have a life cycle. A life cycle is the stages a living thing goes through from the beginning of its life until it grows up. For example, a butterfly starts as an egg, then hatches into a caterpillar. The caterpillar, eats and grows, then becomes a pupa, and finally changes into a butterfly.

Plants have life cycles too. A seed grows into a plant, which can make flowers. The flowers produce more seeds, and the cycle starts again. Life cycles help living things to grow, change, and make more of their own kind.

What are the four main stages in a butterfly's life cycle?

Why are life cycles important for living things?

What does a plant grow from at the beginning of its life cycle?

