Designing a Butterfly Garden

Check the box after the resource has been drawn in your habitat:

- Butterflies prefer plants with different colors of flowers. They also like plants that are originally from, or native to, Texas! Choose 4 of the 5 plants below to add to your garden.

  - **Milkweed**: this is a Monarch’s favorite plant! It grows best in a sunny area of the garden. There are several species of Milkweed, and many are native to Texas.

  - **Cowpen Daisy**: This native flower is found in parts of Texas and grows well in the sun. This is a good source of nectar for butterflies.

  - **Goldenrod**: This is a favorite source of nectar for Monarch butterflies and grows in a large bush.

  - **Aster**: This late-blooming flower attracts butterflies and blooms in the late summer and fall. It grows well in different types of soil.

  - **Autumn Sage**: This native Texas plant is a soft shrub that grows in warm climates. It blooms in the spring and fall and can have a variety of flower colors.

- Butterflies need a source of water, like a mud puddle or a bird bath.

- Butterflies need shelter from wind. What plant or object should go in your garden to block the wind?

- Draw some Monarch butterflies and caterpillars in your garden! They'll need some rocks and small spaces to take shelter in the evening.

- Butterflies like habitats that are relatively sunny.
Draw and color your butterfly garden in the box below.