



Tails and Tales Summer Reading 2021

We're happy you're joining us. Remember to bring your sticker chart to the circulation desk each week. We hope you have been able to participate in some of the Community Connections, too. We'd love for you to post pictures of any of the activities you've done on the Taneyhills Community Library Facebook Page.

Week 4 No Place Like Home

Recommended Reading

Focus Books: *The Impatient Caterpillar* by Ross Burach**

Animal Anatomy Focus: *What if You Had Animal Eyes* by Sandra Markle**

Fiction

Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears by Verna Aardema**

The Social Butterfly by Beth Bracken **

Fireflies by Julie Brinckloe**

The Butterfly House by Eve Bunting**

My Very First Book of Animal Homes by Eric Carle (BB)**

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle**

The Very Lonely Firefly by Eric Carle (BB)**

Then Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle**

The Crunching Munching Caterpillar by Sheridan Cain**

Butterfly Count by Sneed B. Collard III

Leo the Lightning Bug by Eric Drachman **

Waiting for Wings by Lois Ehlert **

Yoo-Hoo Lady Bug by Mem Fox**

The Thing about Bees by Shabazz Larkin**

10 Magic Butterflies by Danica McKellar**

Save the Bees by Bethany Stahl**

Non-Fiction

Creepy Creatures: Bees by Sue Barraclough

Common Critters: The Wildlife in Your Neighborhood by Pat Brisson

The Backyard Bug Book for Kids by Lauren Davidson

Butterflies and Moths by John Feltwell

World of Insects: Bumblebees by Emily K. Green

World of Insects: Dragonflies by Emily K Green

World of Insects: Fireflies by Emily K. Green

The Monarchs are Missing, A Butterfly Mystery by Rebecca E. Hirsch

National Geographic for Kids: 1,000 Facts About Insects by Nancy Honovich

Bug Books: Bee by Karen Hartley and Chris Macro

Bug Books: Caterpillar by Karen Hartley and Chris Macro
Killer Bees by Elaine Landau
Butterflies by Cari Meister
Fireflies by Cari Meister
Ladybugs by Cari Meister
The Bee Book by Charlotte Milner**
How to Raise Monarch Butterflies by Carol Pasternak
Dashing Dragonflies by Megan Cooley Peterson
Butterflies Up Close by Greg Pyers
Wasps Up Close by Greg Pyers
Where Butterflies Grow by Joanne Ryder **
Bees Buzz! By Pam Scheunemann
Bees, A Honeyed History by Piotr Socha

** Indicates that the book is read on YouTube

Tumblebooks/Videos (On Taneyhills Library Website)

The Bumblebee Queen by April Pulley Sayre

A Butterfly is Patient by Dianna Hutts Aston

Craft: Butterfly Suncatcher

Items needed:

Included in packet: butterfly template, tissue paper, 2 pieces of contact paper

Needed from home: glue and scissors.

Directions: Cut around the outside of the butterfly template. Then cut out the inside of each butterfly wing. Then, flip it over and glue the tissue strips to cover the template. (Don't worry if the hang over the template.) Next lay down one piece of the contact paper and peel the back. To avoid wrinkles, place the template on the sticky side. Then, do the same to the other side. Trim around the edge of the template to complete. Place on a window and see the sun pass through.

(Don't forget to post your picture on Taneyhills Library Facebook Page.)

STEAM Activities:

1.Using the What if I had page: Draw a Picture of yourself with animal eyes. Then, list facts you know about your animal on the other side. What kind of eyes do you have? Are they big or little? How do you use your eyes? Can you see at night?

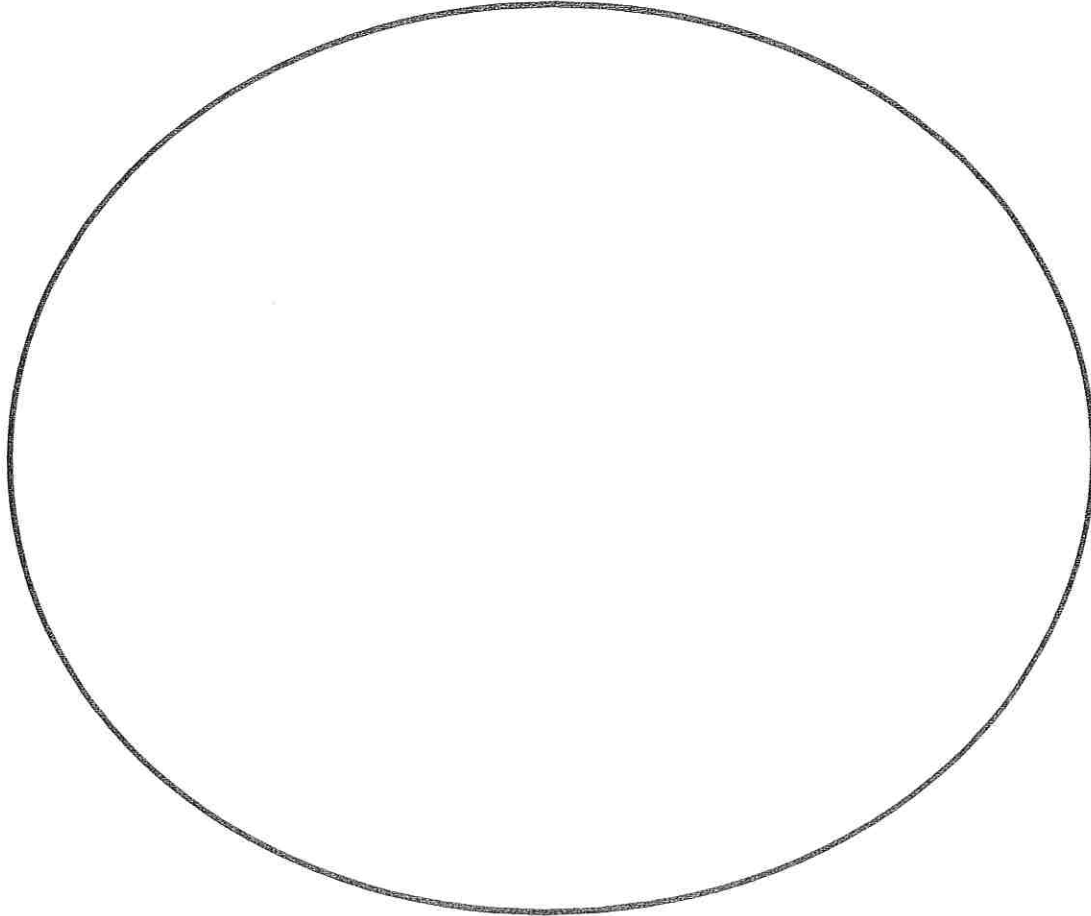
2. Compound Eyes: Most insects have compound eyes. Using your prism, look at 3 things inside or outside. Draw what you see on the compound eyes page.

3. Making a butterfly feeder. Using the enclosed sponge, poke a hole in the top. Use the enclosed string to make a loop large enough to hang from a tree limb or hook. Then, dip it in sugar water or Gatorade and hang outside. (You can also cut up the sponge into fourths. Dip them into the sugar water and place in a clear plastic tray to set outside. **Challenge:** Build a Butterfly Puddler. Directions enclosed.

4. Backyard Animals page: Fill in the blank with a word that matches the description. Then, read the story you wrote with those words. Did your story make sense or was it silly?

Community Connection: The Butterfly Palace is a special home for hundreds of butterflies. However, their natural habitats are being destroyed as forests and fields are being replaced with buildings. We have included a pack of flower seeds so you can help give bees and butterflies a place to pollinate.

WHAT IF I HAD



(CAPTION)

NAME: _____

Eyes ?

FACTS:

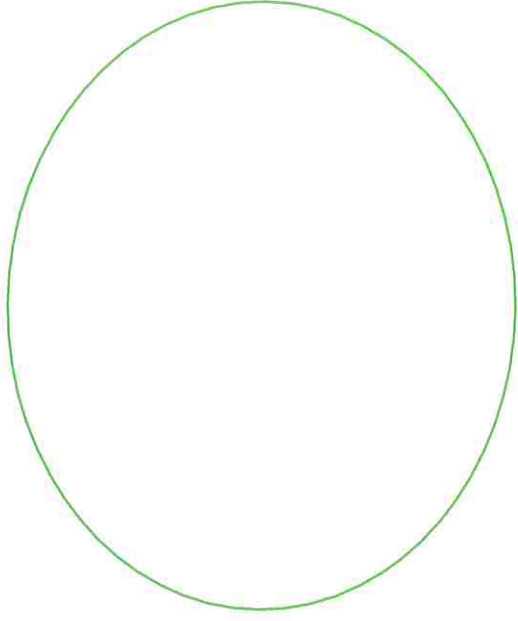
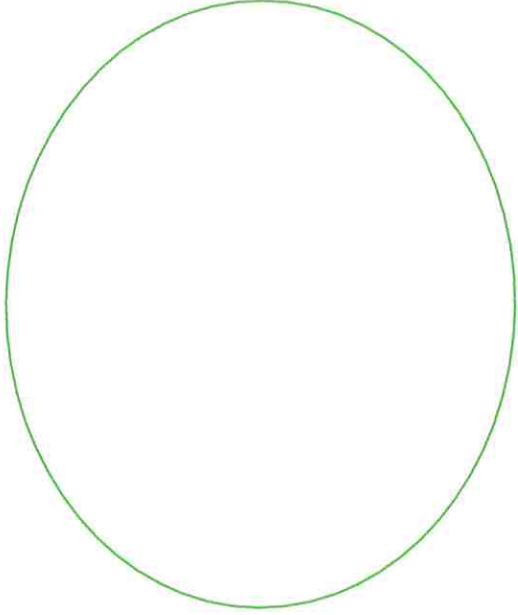
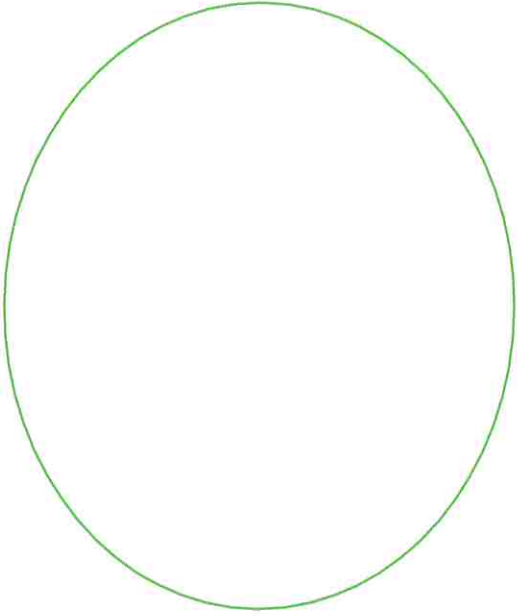
IF I HAD

Eyes,

Insect Compound Eyes

Using your prism look at a friend and draw what you see in the first circle. Then, go outside and look at two other objects and draw what you see. Compound eyes are not good for seeing details at a distance, but they can see movement very well.

Which eyes do you like best, yours or an insect's compound eyes?



A BACKYARD ADVENTURE

Sam and Julia always enjoyed visiting their _____ because (he/
family member
she/they) always made the best _____ pie. (He/she/they) also
type of fruit
had a great big back yard with lots of _____ and _____.
noun *noun*

On one of their visits, Sam and Julia asked their _____ if
same family member as above
they could set tent and camp in the back yard. (He/she/they) said that
would be fine as long as it was not _____. After lunch, Sam and
type of weather
Julia set up a tent and their camping _____. They used their
piece of furniture
imagination to pretend they were explorers visiting _____.
a favorite place

The first animal they pretended to see was a _____ with
animal
_____ claws. Then they saw a _____ with
adjective *another type of animal*
_____ feathers and _____. Suddenly they heard
adjective *body part, plural*
something rustling in the _____ bush, and it was not their
same fruit as above
imagination! Sam and Julia thought for sure it must be a huge, scary
_____ with a thick, _____ coat. They were about to run
animal *adjective*
back into the house when they hear a familiar laugh. It was only
_____ ! All three of them went back inside to eat some
same family member as above
_____ *adjective* _____ *type of food*

Butterfly Puddler

What you will need:

- Terracotta pot and saucer (or you can use a bird bath)
- Decorative rocks or beach glass
- sand
- Acrylic paint if you want to decorate the outside of the pot

Butterflies generally get their water from nectar. They drink from the puddler to get the necessary minerals they need. When you finish making your puddler be sure and place it in a sunny location and near a place where you can watch these pretty creatures visit often.

If you see butterflies on moist sand or mud and they appear to be nibbling, this is called "*puddling*." They do this to obtain minerals from the soil.

You can provide a puddling spot by placing a saucer or shallow pan in your garden and filling it with coarse moist sand. (*Sand keeps water from evaporating*).

Attracting bees and butterflies to your garden has many advantages. First, they are obviously visually appealing. Second, bees are adapted to pollinate. This helps plants grow, breed and produce food. They do so by transferring pollen between flowering plants and that helps the plants grow and attract new life. They take the pollen back to their hive used to make honey.

Butterfly Nectar Recipe:

Directions:

1. In a small saucepan bring 1 cup of water to a boil, stir in $\frac{1}{4}$ c sugar and simmer until dissolved.
2. Remove from heat and cool completely.
3. Dip the sponge in syrup until full, allow excess to drip from the sponge before hanging on limbs, porch railings, or anywhere else you want to leave a "drink station" for your winged friends.

Butterfly Template

