

Butterfly Talk Moves

A model for clear, audience-friendly speaking.

2.C.2.A "Use topic specific language and vocabulary to communicate ideas. Speak audibly with appropriate pacing, prosody, and voice level. Engage the audience by asking and/or responding to questions."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle the butterfly topic words. Underline the question for the audience, then number the three bracketed speaking notes 1, 2, and 3 to notice how a speaker uses words, pacing, and voice.

A Talk About Monarchs

- ① Today I will tell you about monarch butterflies. A monarch is an insect with orange and black wings. It drinks nectar from flowers with its long, tube-like mouth. [Use a clear voice and do not speak too fast.]
- ② Monarchs lay tiny eggs on milkweed plants. Their caterpillars eat milkweed leaves. Later, each caterpillar forms a chrysalis. Inside, its body changes. Then an adult butterfly comes out. [Pause after each short idea.]
- ③ In fall, many monarchs fly south to warmer places. This trip is called migration. I can ask, "Why do monarchs need flowers?" Then I listen to the answer and say, "Yes, nectar gives them energy." [Use a warm voice for the question.]

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

- 1 Use two topic words from the talk to explain what happens after a monarch is a caterpillar.

- 2 What question does the speaker ask the audience?

- 3 Which speaking note tells the speaker how to use a voice for the audience question?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Choose an animal and write a three-sentence mini-talk. Use at least two topic words and one question for your audience, then add [pause] and [clear voice] or [curious voice] to show how you will speak.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Circle the butterfly topic words. Underline the question for the audience, then number the three bracketed speaking notes 1, 2, and 3 to notice how a speaker uses words, pacing, and voice. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Use two topic words from the talk to explain what happens after a monarch is a caterpillar.	The caterpillar forms a chrysalis, then an adult butterfly comes out.
2	What question does the speaker ask the audience?	Why do monarchs need flowers?
3	Which speaking note tells the speaker how to use a voice for the audience question?	Use a warm voice for the question.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A beaver is a mammal with thick fur and strong teeth. It uses its teeth to build a dam across a stream [pause]. Have you seen a beaver lodge? [Curious voice]

Accept accurate responses that use at least two words from the passage for Question 1. For Your Turn, accept any accurate animal topic with three sentences, topic vocabulary, an audience question, and both speaking notes.