

Paw Prints



Did you know?

The monarch butterfly is sometimes called the “milkweed butterfly” because its larvae can only eat milkweed.



The toxins from the monarch’s milkweed diet have given the butterfly this defense. In either the caterpillar or butterfly stage the monarch needs no camouflage because it takes in toxins from the milkweed and is poisonous to predators. Many animals advertise their poisonous nature with bright colours, can you think of other animals that show they are poisonous through bright colours?

Animal Groups

Groups of animals are often called different names. You probably already know that a group of puppies or kittens is called a litter. Can you match the different animals with their group names?

Animal	Group
1. Alligators	A. Knot
2. Owls	B. Cauldron
3. Caterpillars	C. Gaggle
4. Bats	D. Kaleidoscope
5. Crows	E. Congregation
6. Eagles	F. Murder
7. Salamanders	G. Congress
8. Toads	H. Parliament
9. Butterflies	I. Army
10. Geese	J. Convocation



Monarch Butterfly and Arctic Woolly Bear Caterpillar
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Answers: 1 = E, 2 = H, 3 = I, 4 = B, 5 = F, 6 = J, 7 = G, 8 = A, 9 = D, 10 = C