

Comparing Butterflies and Moths

Similarities

Their caterpillars eat leaves.

They are both insects.

They both have wings.

They both change during their life cycle.

They both lay eggs.

They both have antennae.

Differences

Their colors are often dull and drab.

They hold their wings down next to their bodies when resting.

They usually fly during the night.

They emerge from a cocoon.

Their antennae are feathery.

They have thick bodies covered with hair.

Differences

Their colors are usually brighter.

They hold their wings up when they rest.

They usually fly during the daytime.

They emerge from a chrysalis.

Their antennae are long and thin with a knob on the end.

They have thin bodies with no hair.



Butterflies



Moths