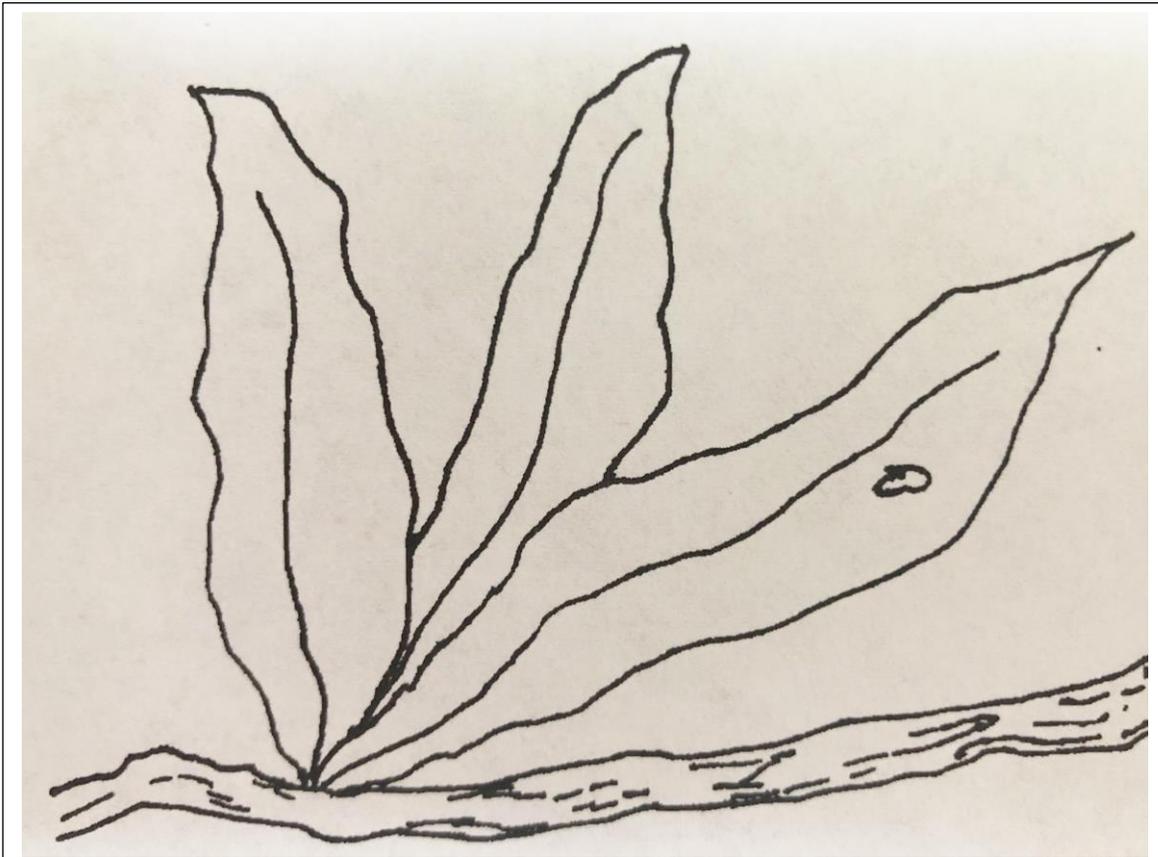
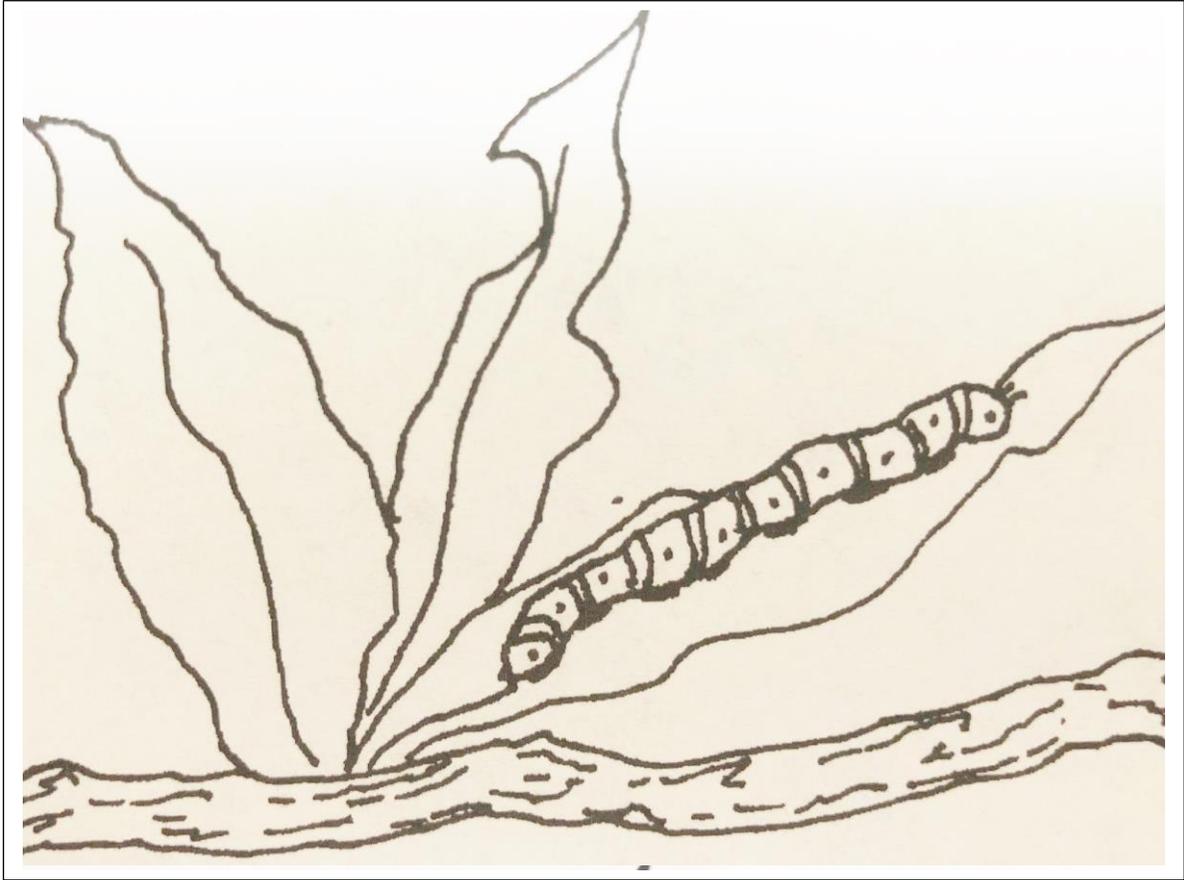


**From Egg,
to Caterpillar,
to Chrysalis,
to Butterfly**





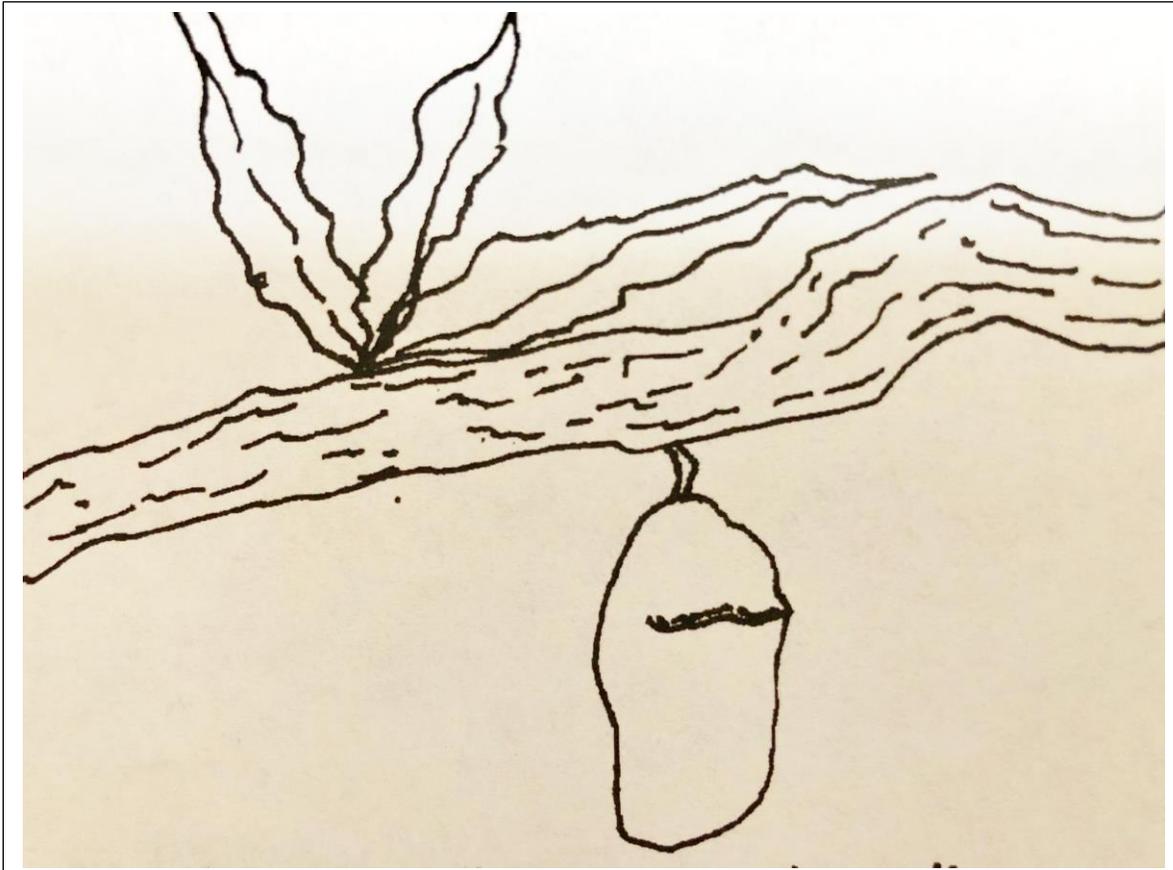
A female butterfly lays an egg on a leaf.



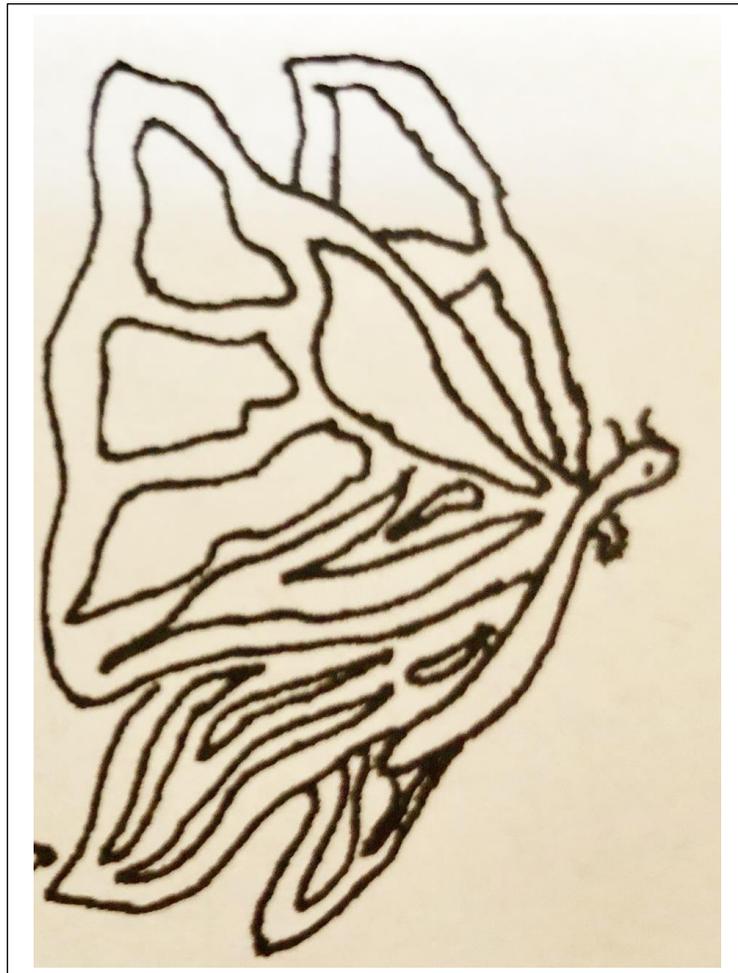
The egg hatches into a caterpillar.

The caterpillar eats lots of leaves and grows and grows for 12 to 14 days.

The caterpillar's skin splits, it crawls out of its skin and has a new skin underneath. This is called molting. The caterpillar will molt four or five times.



The caterpillar molts for the last time and now has a hard shell called a chrysalis. The chrysalis hangs upside down from a twig.



The chrysalis cracks and out comes a butterfly with damp and crumpled wings.

The butterfly's wings straighten out and dry and the butterfly is ready to fly away.