

Dotty butterfly

PUPIL WORKSHEET



Activity:

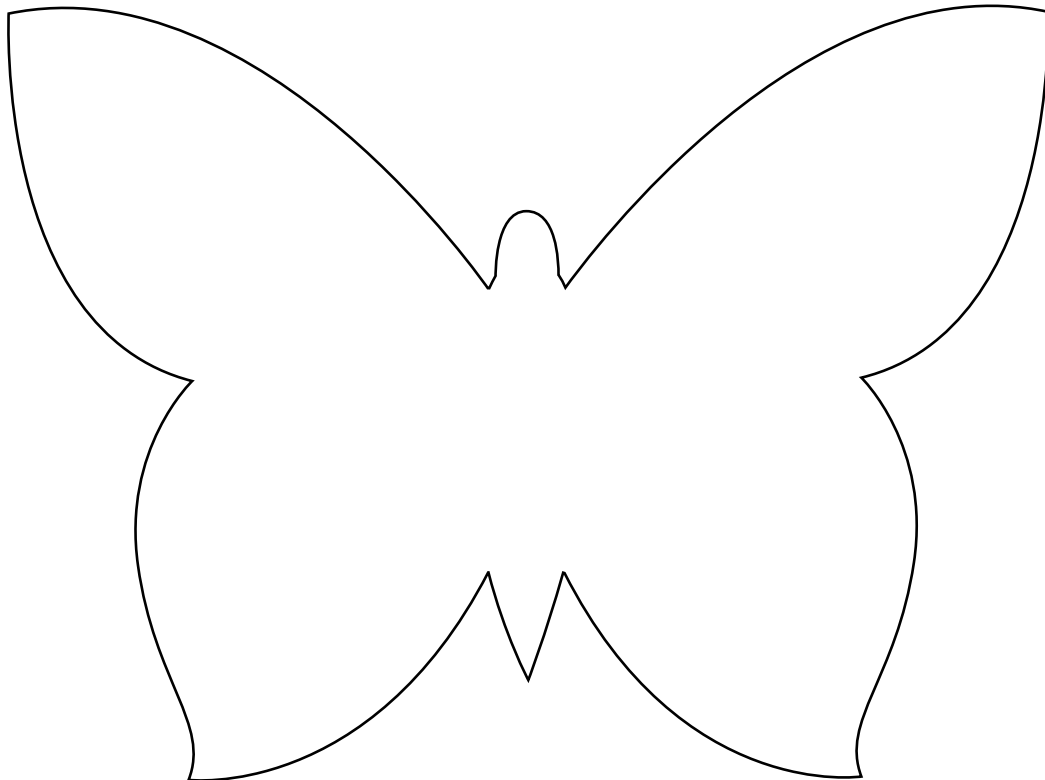
Decorate your butterfly using the Numicon number cards to help you.

1. Turn over a card and say the number.
2. Add the same number of spots to your butterfly.
3. Match the colour of your spots to the colour of the Numicon Shape.
4. Remember, butterflies have the same pattern on both wings!
5. Add some antennae to your butterfly.

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5		10	
4		9	
3		8	
2		7	
1		6	

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TEACHER NOTES



Guidance for teachers:

1. Cut out the Numicon number cards and place them face down on the table.
2. Or, if you have them, you can use a Numicon feely bag and put the Numicon Shapes 1–10 inside.
3. Numbers 1–5 or 1–10 can be used.
4. Ask each child to turn over a card and say the number on the card, or to take out one Numicon Shape from the feely bag and say the number of the Shape.
5. Help them to add the same number of spots to their butterfly using coloured sticky dots or dots of paint using their fingers.
6. Encourage them to count aloud as they add their dots.
7. Talk about the pattern being the same on each wing to introduce the idea of symmetry.
8. If children are ready, you could also use this activity to explore the idea of doubling, with children doubling their chosen number by putting it on each wing and counting the dots to find the total.

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