

# Butterfly Puppet Activity

## Eastern Tiger Swallowtail Facts:

- Eastern Tiger Swallowtails are one of the most common butterflies in Eastern North America. Their range is east of the Rocky Mountains from Ontario down to the Gulf coast and northern Mexico.
- Their favorite nectar plants include honeysuckle, milkweeds, azaleas, thistles and other urban flowers.
- Eastern Tiger Swallowtail males will gather around mud puddles to drink. This is a source of mineral salts and amino acids that are important for reproduction.



## Materials:

Markers/Crayons  
Scissors  
Popsicle stick  
8" of string  
Tape

## Instructions

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**Step 1:** Color the butterfly body and wings

**Step 2:** Cut out the butterfly body and wings

**Step 3:** Tape the body to the wings by placing a loop of tape on the bridge between the wings and centering the body on top

**Step 4:** Attach the butterfly to the popsicle stick by putting tape loops on the stick and centering it behind the body and wings

**Step 5:** To enable movement of the wings tape an end of the string on the x behind each wing

**Step 6:** Make the butterfly fly!



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