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Activity Idea

PAINT & FOLD BUTTERFLY

Recommended for Ages 5 – 8

Symmetry: the quality of being made up of exactly similar parts facing each other.

You will need the following materials:

- Paint
- Paper: one for the body and one for the background.

Make a butterfly using paper and paint and notice how the two wings are symmetrical.

1. Fold paper in half, open paper, then use three different color paints in any order on one side of the paper only.
2. Fold together, press firmly, and open the paper and you will have symmetrical butterfly wings.
3. Then, cut out a butterfly shape and glue the body of the butterfly in the middle of the wings.