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Haiku

## High-flying Haiku

A **haiku** is a three-line poem about nature.

Line **one** has **five syllables**. (5)

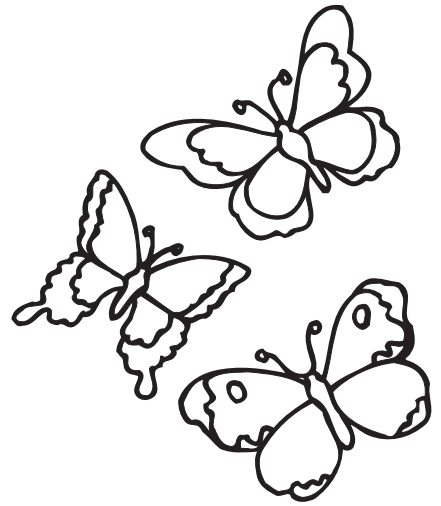
Line **two** has **seven syllables**. (7)

Line **three** has **five syllables**. (5)

Look at the haiku below.

Underline the syllables in each line.

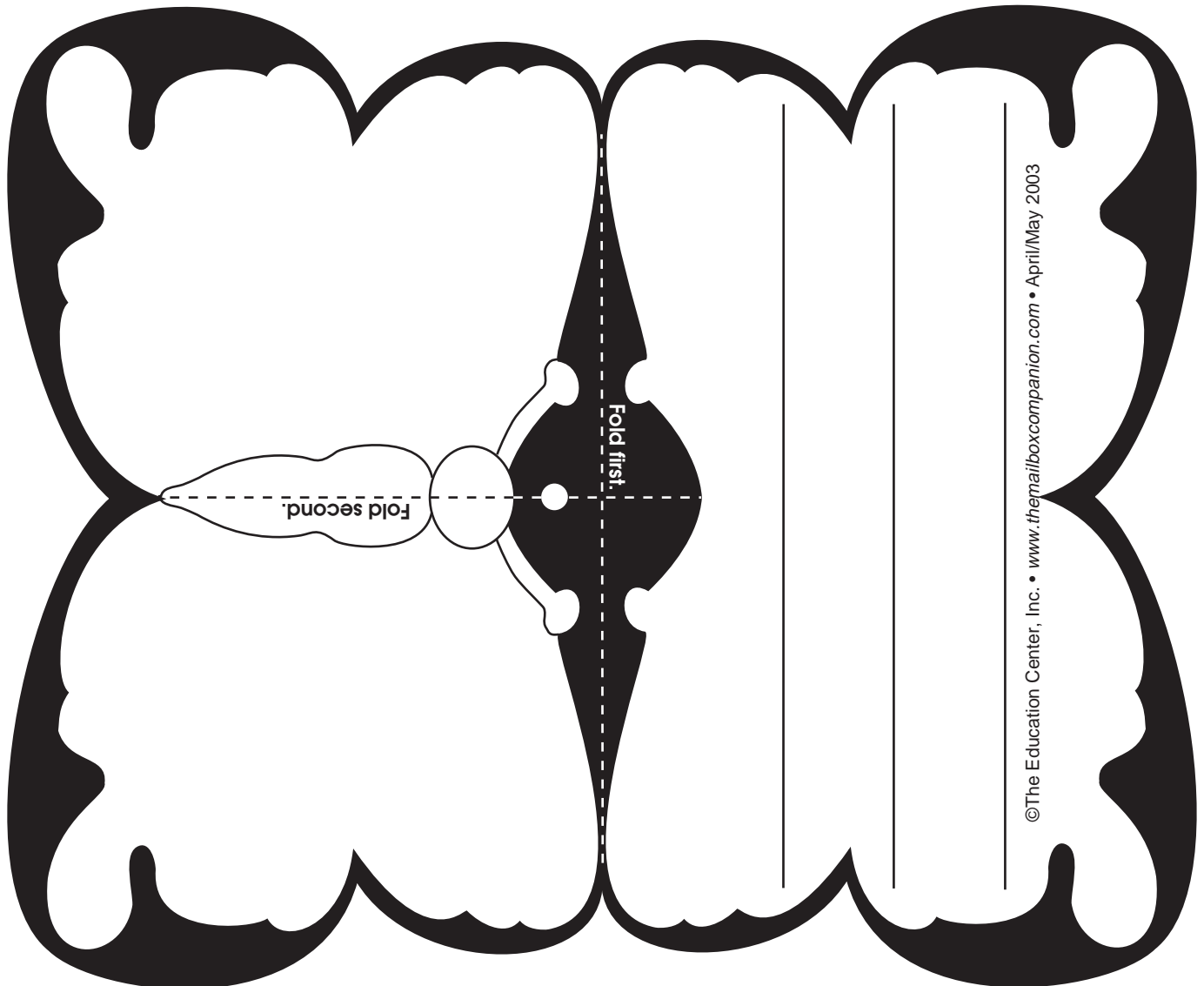
A butterfly floats  
through the summer air with ease,  
a colorful sight.



On another sheet of paper, write a haiku about a butterfly.

Copy your haiku in your best handwriting on the lines of the butterfly below.

Color the other side of the butterfly.



## How To Use This Reproducible

Reproduce the reproducible onto white duplicating or construction paper. Discuss the format of haiku poetry by reading and working through the worksheet together. Brainstorm a list of butterfly words. As a class, write a haiku poem to assure that students understand the process. Then have students complete their butterfly poems as directed on the worksheet. For added color, have students copy their poems with markers. Complete the butterfly projects as directed below. Provide assistance as needed. Allow willing students to read their poems aloud.

### Materials Needed

handwriting paper  
pencils  
crayons or markers  
scissors  
hole punch (optional)  
two-foot length of curling ribbon or yarn for each student  
(optional)

### Directions For The Students

1. Cut the butterfly pattern out along the dark outline.
2. Fold the butterfly in half on the dotted line.
3. Fold the butterfly in half again along the second dotted line.
4. Using a hole punch, punch a hole on the white dot at the top of the butterfly.
5. Tie a length of ribbon (or yarn) to the butterfly.

Suspend the students' butterfly projects from the ceiling for a bright spring display.

