Passage Info Sheet

Title: The Fascinating Life Cycle of a Butterfly	**Word Count:** 410
Lexile level: 1010-1200	**Author's Purpose:** I
Style: Fiction/Non Fiction/Poetry/Drama	**Basis:** Science/Social Studies/Fine Arts
Theme (Short): Changes	
Theme (Message): Extraordinary changes are taking place all around us.	
Textual Evidence Supporting Theme: (P6) The life cycle of a butterfly is a fascinating transformation which reminds us of the growth and development of all creatures. Understanding the life cycle of the butterfly allows humans to be reminded of the wonders of nature and fosters a deeper understanding of the beauty around us.	
Central Idea: The life cycle of a butterfly consists of several complex and fascinating stages.	
Textual Evidence Supporting Central Idea: (P1) Each stage sheds light on the incredible transformation that occurs as the butterfly evolves.	
Inference #1: A scientist needs a microscope in order to study what happens inside the chrysalis.	**Inference #2:** The butterfly will not survive if its wings do not grow and dry properly.
Textual Evidence for Inference #1: (P4) Although unseen by the human eye, this process of rearrangement is part of the biological process of the life cycle of a butterfly.	**Textual Evidence for Inference #2:** (P5) The wings gradually dry, and the butterfly begins its explorations. Its primary objectives now shift to finding a mate as well as nectar for nourishment.
Specialized Vocabulary: captivate, wistful, metamorphosis, transformation, evolves, host, miniscule, larva, emerges, consumes, molts, pupa, encasement, chrysalis, intricate, abdomen, nectar, nourishment, fosters	

Plot or Structure: Starred Chronological Order