

butterfly

1. ['bʌtəflaɪ] *n*

- 1. бабочка; мотылёк
nocturnal butterfly - ночная бабочка
- 2. красивая, легкомысленная и непостоянная женщина, «мотылёк»
social butterfly - светская красавица
butterfly perfections - внешний блеск
- 3. «баттерфляй» (*стиль плавания*)
- 4. **ав. жарг.** дроссельная заслонка
◇ butterflies (in the tummy /stomach/) - нервная дрожь (*от страха*); ≅ мутит от страха

2. ['bʌtəflaɪ] *a*

- напоминающий по форме бабочку
a butterfly roof - двускатная крыша
butterfly doors - двустворчатая дверь

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but-ter-fly [butterfly butterflies] *BrE* ['bʌtəflaɪ] *AmE* ['bʌtərflaɪ] *noun*
(pl. **but-ter-flies**)



- 1. **countable** a flying insect with a long thin body and four large, usually brightly coloured, wings
 - butterflies and moths
 - She's like a butterfly. She flits in and out of people's lives.
 - 2. **uncountable** a swimming stroke in which you swim on your front and lift both arms forward at the same time while your legs move up and down together
 - She was third in the 200m butterfly (= a swimming race) .
- I diom ↑ **have butterflies**

Word Origin:

Old English, from ↑butter + the insect ↑fly; perhaps from the cream or yellow colour of common species, or from an old belief that the insects stole butter.

Example Bank:

- The butterfly emerged from the pupa.

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[**Language:** Old English; **Origin:** buterflege, from butere (⇒ ↑butter¹) + flege 'fly', perhaps because many types of butterfly are yellow, or because people believed that butterflies steal milk and butter]



- 1. a type of insect that has large wings, often with beautiful colours
- 2. **have/get butterflies (in your stomach)** *informal* to feel very nervous before doing something:
" I always get butterflies before an exam.
- 3. **the butterfly** a way of swimming by lying on your front and moving your arms together over your head while your legs move up and down
- 4. someone who usually moves on quickly from one activity or person to the next:
" Gwen's a real social butterfly.

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