## **Catching Bugs**

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Billy loved bugs. If it had six legs, he loved it. Billy liked butterflies. Billy liked beetles. Billy liked flies. Billy liked ants.

He loved to look at them. He loved to read about them. He loved to catch them.

Today he was looking for butterflies. He had a net. He ran through his backyard. He looked by the flowers. He looked by the trees. Where were the butterflies?

Billy looked more. He saw one!

He walked over. He got close. It was blue. Its wings flapped, but it did not move.

Why didn't it move? He looked closer. The butterfly was caught on a web!

A big grey spider sat on the web. The spider was going to eat the butterfly!

Billy loved bugs. Spiders had eight legs. They did not have six. He only liked bugs with six legs. Spiders were not bugs. Billy did not love spiders!

Billy wanted to help the butterfly. The spider was hungry, too. He wanted to let the blue butterfly go. The spider would not get his food. That was not good. Billy did not like spiders, but spiders have to eat, too.

Billy left the spider alone. He would find his own butterfly to catch. He would not steal the spider's butterfly.

There was one! It was orange and black. Billy ran. Billy used his net.

He caught it! Billy really liked his new butterfly.



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  - A. yellow
  - B. blue
  - C. green
  - D. orange
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