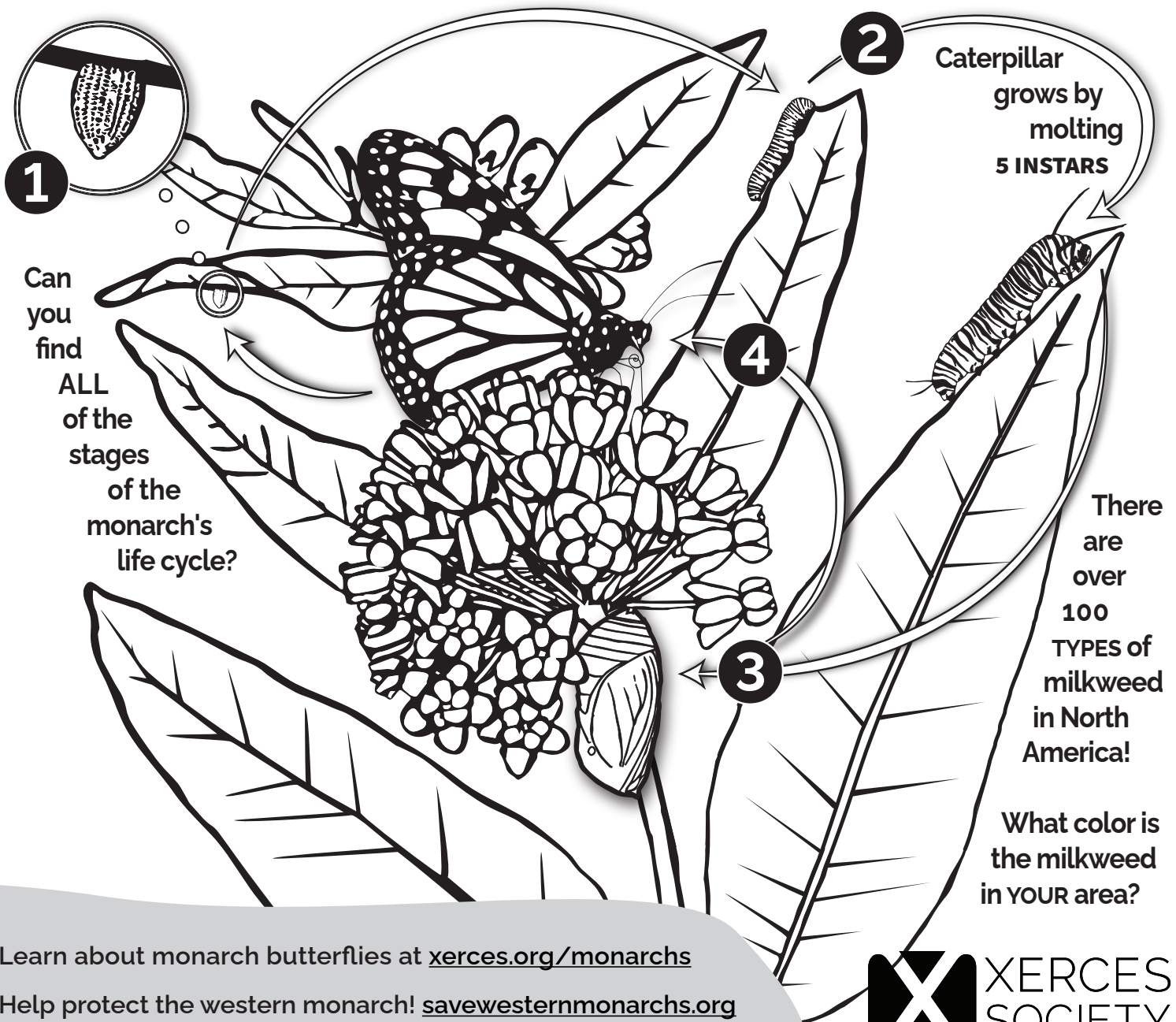


The Monarch Butterfly Life Cycle

Every monarch butterfly begins life as an **egg**. The egg hatches into a tiny, soft-bodied **caterpillar**, eating milkweed and growing until it forms into a pupa or **chrysalis**. The chrysalis is the mummy-like stage where it completes its transformation into a winged **adult**.



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