



ART AT HOME: *Drawing Butterflies*

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We love butterflies! And we love to draw and paint them.

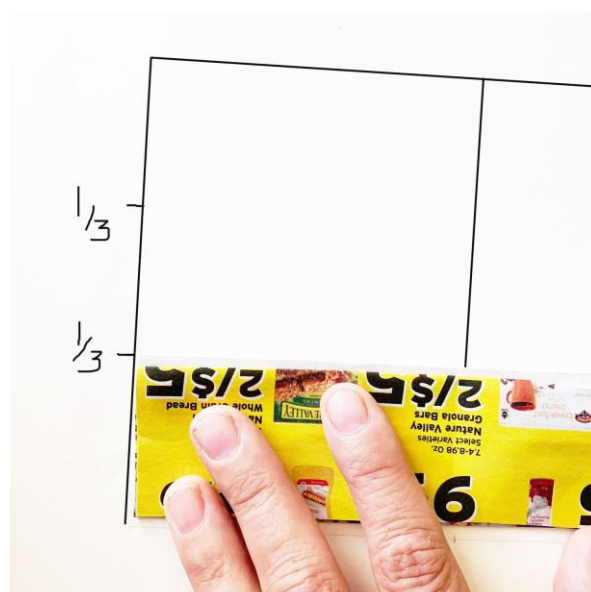
The most important part is to draw the wings symmetrical.
After that you can let your imagination free.

You need a white paper, a rectangle of scrap paper in the size of your butterfly, a pencil, an erasure and watercolors or markers. Pencils work as well. You can also use a ruler to measure.

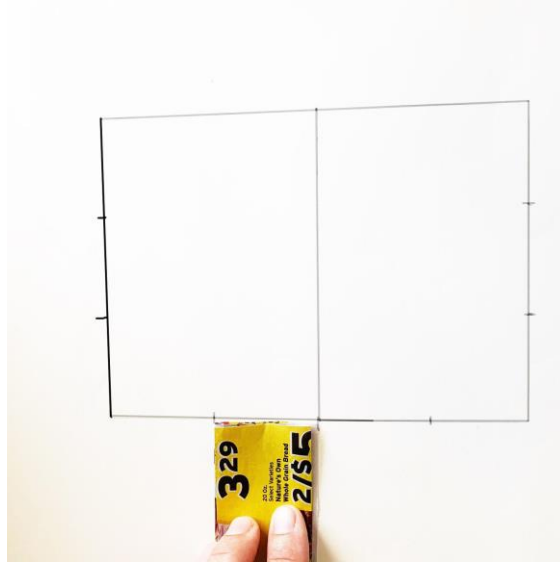
1. The first step is to trace the rectangle. You fold it in half to find the middle and draw a thin line in the middle. This is where you will draw the body later.



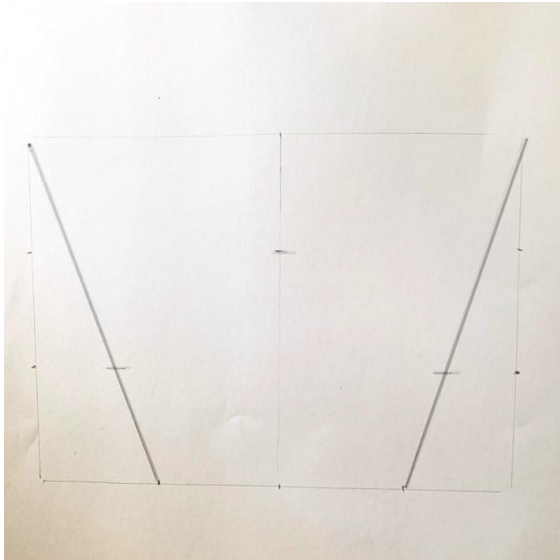
2. The second step is to fold the paper lengthwise in 3 equal parts, and mark on the sides as in the picture. Do this on both sides.



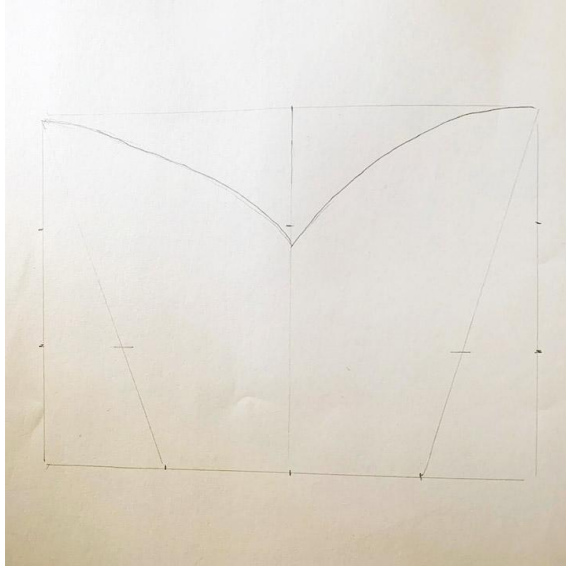
3. You are almost done with the grid, Now you use the same folded piece of paper and make a mark measuring the distance from the center line on the left and on the right from the middle line and also one third from the top of the middle line down.



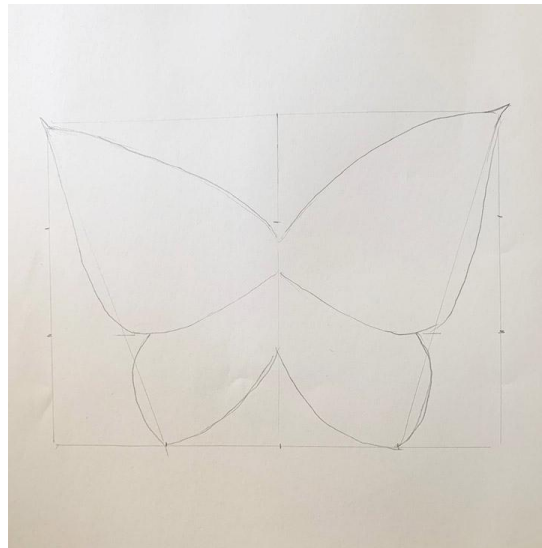
4. Make two lines like in the picture from the bottom mark to the corner. Do the same on the other side.



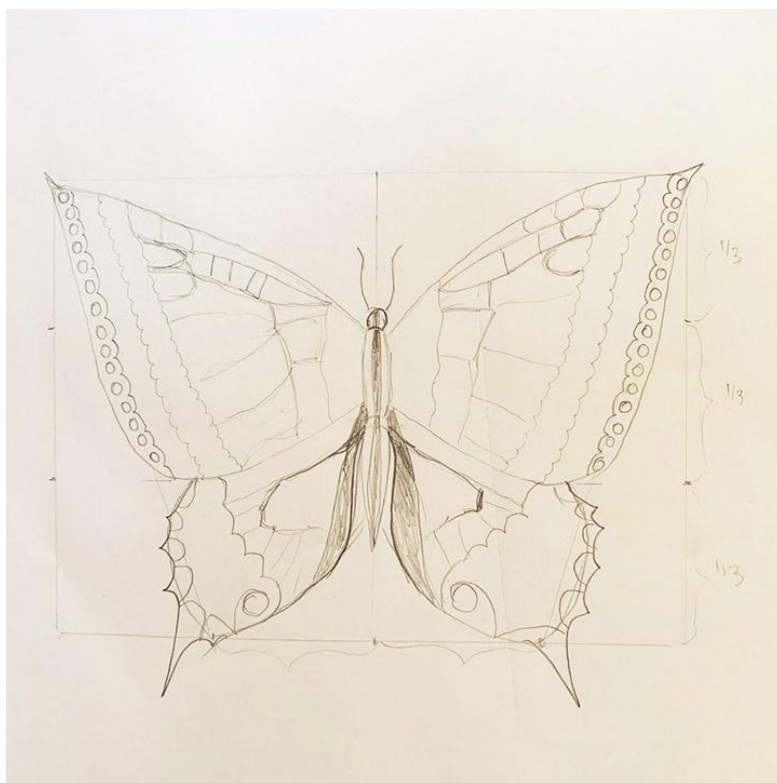
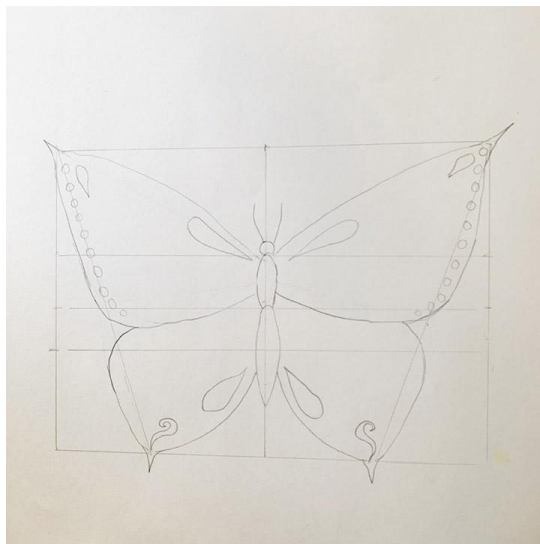
5. Now you can start drawing the wings.



6. You can see how I used the grid and the marks as my guide. The top wings are a little bigger than The bottom wings.



7. Once you have your wings in place you can decide How to decorate them. You can do it really simple, if you choose to. Sometimes that is most effective.



Have fun!!