Silkworm



Meet the Silkworms

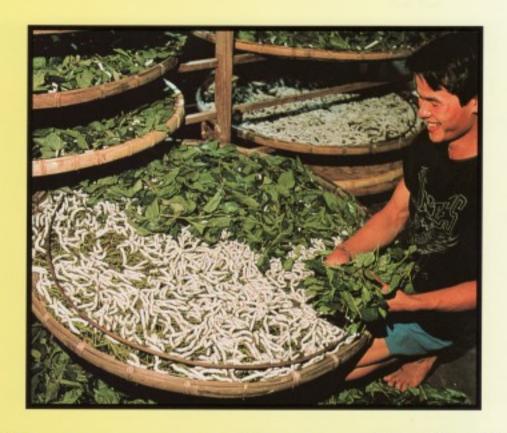


A silkworm is an **insect.** It is not a worm. It is a caterpillar. A silkworm looks like it has many legs, but only six are true legs. It uses the other ten legs to cling to plants.









Many years ago, silkworms lived in the wild. Today silkworms live only on silk farms. Silkworms are domesticated. Silk farmers raise them to get the silk thread used to make silk cloth.









The silkworm begins life in a tiny egg. The egg is one of about 300 sticky, yellow eggs laid by the female silk **moth**.







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Life Cycle of a

Silkworm

- Do silkworms drink water?
- How do silkworms grow?
- What is the only food silkworms eat?

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