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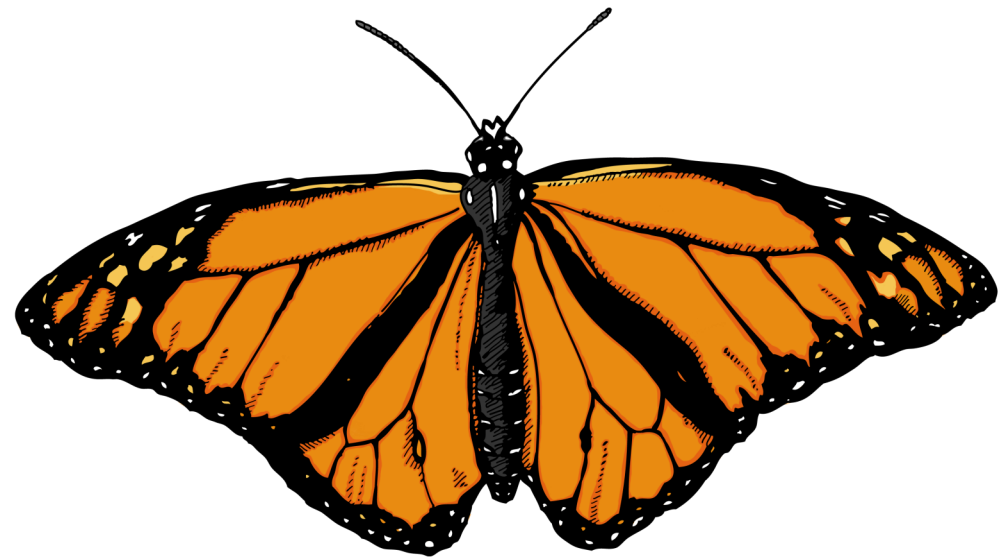
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# The Very Hungry Iowa Caterpillar

On an Iowa farm, a little

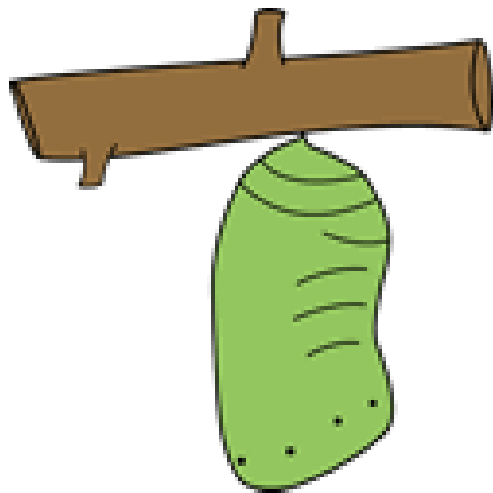


He was a beautiful  
Iowa



**butterfly!**

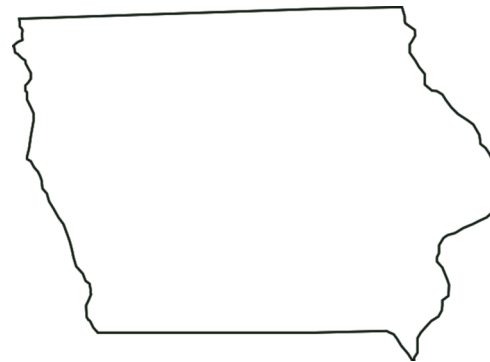
That night, he built a small house, called a **chrysalis**, around himself. He stayed inside for more than two weeks!



Then...he nibbled a hole in the chrysalis, pushed his way out, and...

One Sunday morning, the warm sun came up and—

**POP!** - out of the egg came a tiny and **very hungry caterpillar.**



He started to look for food that **grows in Iowa.**

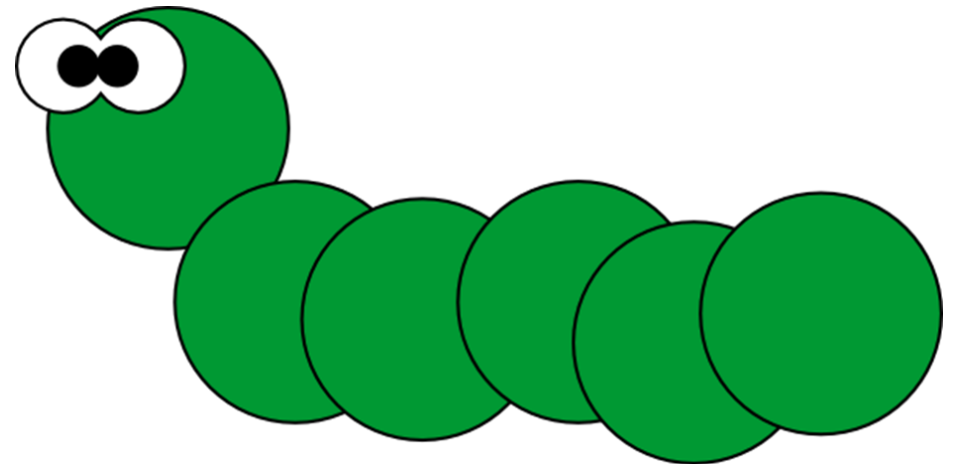
On Monday, he ate **one dozen eggs!**



But he was still hungry.

Now he wasn't hungry anymore—and he wasn't a little caterpillar either.

He was a **BIG, FAT caterpillar.**



After an entire week of eating Iowa crops, the caterpillar ate **one milkweed leaf.**



After that, he felt much better.

On Tuesday, he ate **two turkey sandwiches!**



But he was still hungry.

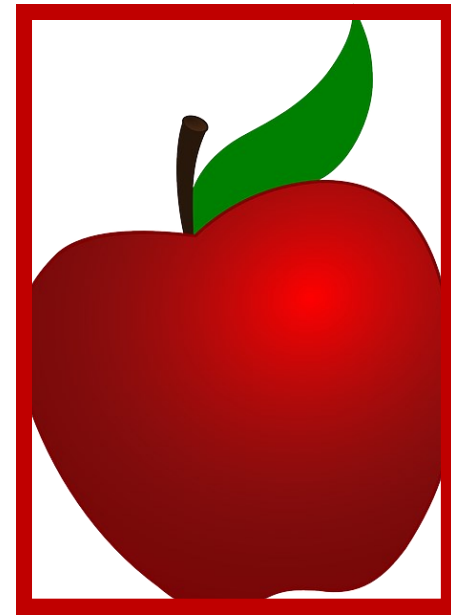
On Wednesday, he ate  
**three ears of  
field corn!**



But he was still hungry.

and...

**1 big apple!**



That night, he had a  
*stomachache!*

**12 ears of sweet corn**

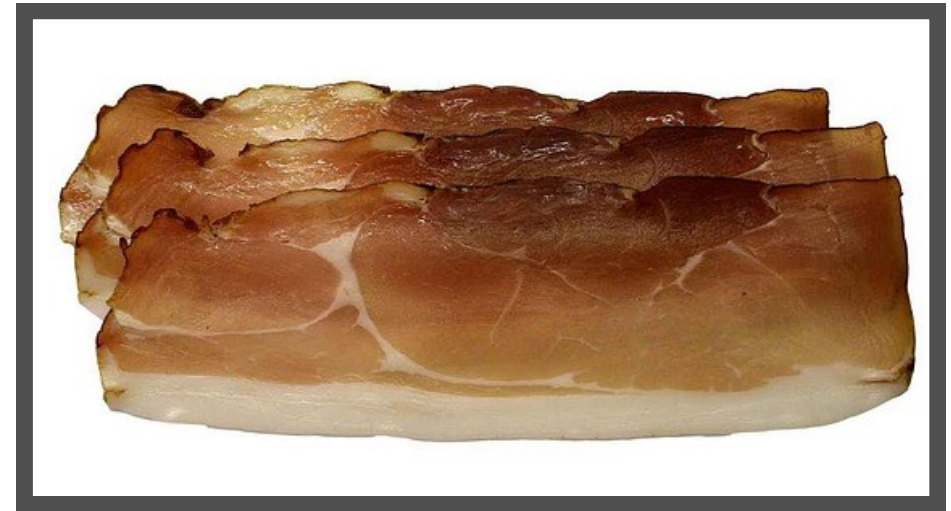


**3 cans of pop**

**(sweetened with field corn)**



On Thursday, he ate  
**one pound of  
bacon!**

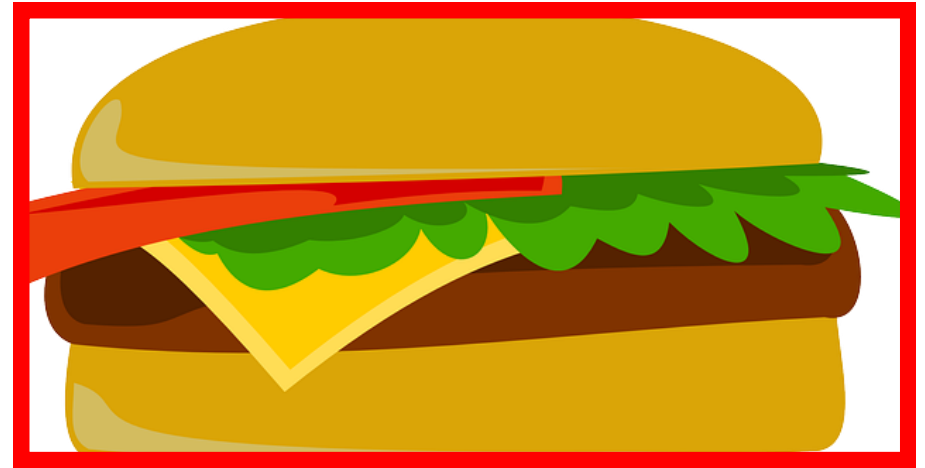


But he was still hungry.

On Friday, he ate **ten**  
**soybeans!**



**A one pound**  
**hamburger**



**1 acre of oats**



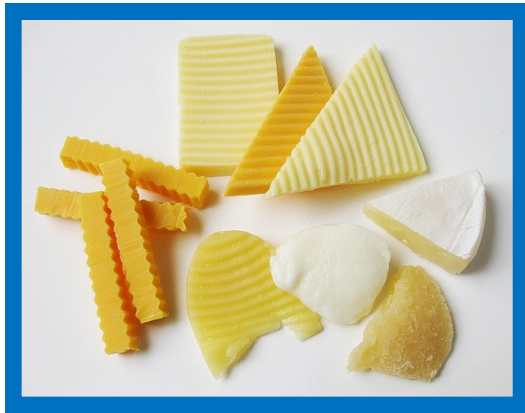
But he was still hungry.



**1 bushel of popcorn**



**1 pound of cheese**



On Saturday, he ate **1**  
**bale of hay**



**5 potatoes**



**1 pepperoni pizza**



**6 chicken nuggets**



**1 acre of wheat**



**1 watermelon**

