

The Butterfly Effect Printable

In the short story, *The Sound of Thunder*, we learned that traveling through time can be dangerous. The characters from the story realize how they impact nature when one of the hunters steps on a butterfly. Through the destruction of one small element of the ecosystem, the future was changed. This is known as the “Butterfly Effect.” Man is causing changes in the ecosystem today. Choose one of the topics below and write six sentences about how “tomorrow” will be affected by that topic.

Example:

Today: There is an oil spill off the coast of California.

- Tomorrow:
1. Fish are poisoned.
 2. People must buy expensive fish from the east coast.
 3. People can no longer afford fish so they eat more meat.
 4. More and more people get high cholesterol.
 5. Some people die from heart attacks due to high cholesterol.
 6. A president who creates positive change in the world is never born.

Choose one topic.

Topic 1: More oil is pumped to lower the price of gas.

Topic 2: A park is made into a parking lot.

Topic 3: A new landfill opens in your neighborhood.

Write your topic here.

Today:

Complete six sentences.

- Tomorrow:
- 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
 - 6.