



Monarch Butterfly Pollination



What is pollen?

Pollen is a fine powder made by plants. When the small pollen pieces are moved from one plant to another, the pollen helps to create new plants. Pollen is important because it allows plants to **reproduce** and make new seeds, which will grow into new plants.

When **pollinators** like monarch butterflies land on flowers to drink nectar, they help spread pollen.



Why is it	importan	t that nev	w plants	keep grov	wing?	
What do	plants pro	ovide for	animals:			



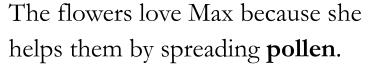
Max the Monarch and Friends





Max the Monarch flies around the garden looking for a snack.

Max uses her **proboscis**, a long tube that works like a straw, to drink **nectar.** Max loves all the flowers because they give her food!



Max isn't alone in the garden! Other **pollinators** help the flowers too! Max sees bees, ladybugs, hummingbirds, and beetles as she visits new flowers.





Without Max and the other pollinators, pollen wouldn't spread and new plants wouldn't grow. They all play a role in the **ecosystem**, a community of living things that all work together in their **environment** to succeed.







	Pollinators Rock!														
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All of the things featured in this word search are important to supporting the pollination cycle.



Pollination Reflection



Working Together

Plants and pollinators have a special relationship. They help each other to succeed in their environment. Plants feed the pollinators and the pollinators help the plants reproduce. One could not survive without the other.

How ca	an people h	elp plants a	nd pollina	tors?	



