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The study of insects is called entomology, but it goes further than that! Lepidopterology is a branch of entomology specifically concerning the study of moths and the three superfamilies of butterflies. Someone who studies moths and butterflies is called a Lepidopterist.



For the "At Home" novice

lepidopterist: Sheetlighting!

A fun way to see the diversity of moths in your area is by sheetlighting. Simply hang a white or light colored sheet outside and shine a light at it. By nightfall you should see moths and other critters flock to your sheet! Just remember, pictures are always fine, just keep your hands to yourself!



Drop by Their House!

Butterfly Houses and Natural Museums are great places to find out all sorts of information, as well see a diversity of species of moths, butterflies, and other critters! A great museum near our Breaking Games HQ is The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, in Philadelphia. They have their own butterfly room!

Why study insects like moths?

Often, insects like moths are the first things effected by events like global warming. Lepidopterists study migrations to learn about the effects climate change has.