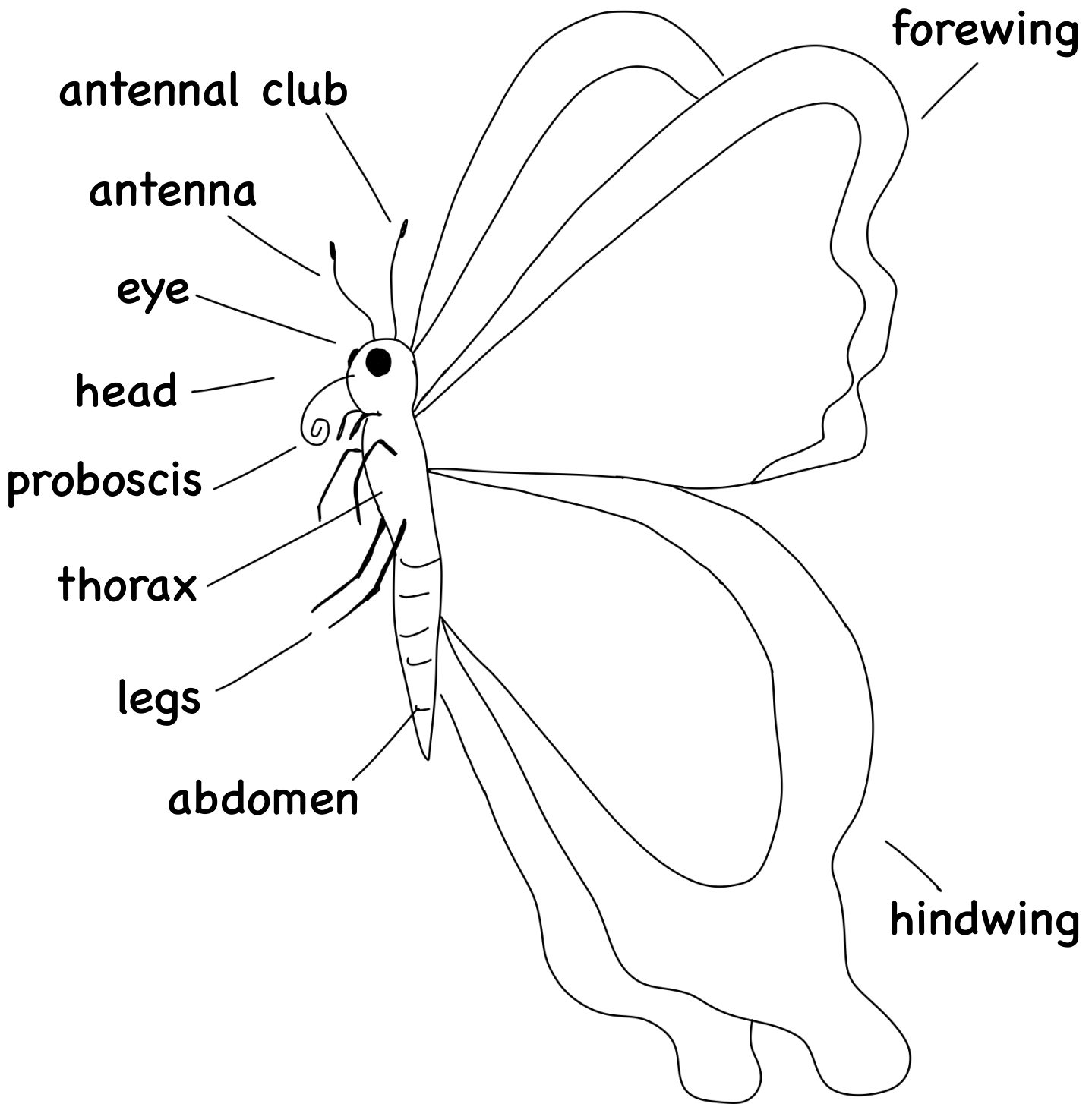


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The 3 main body parts of a butterfly are the head, thorax and abdomen.



Like all other insects, the butterfly has 6 legs. Butterflies often hold their front 2 legs up close to their body, which is why you normally only see 4.



Butterflies are active during the day and rest at night with their eyes open. Butterflies do not sleep.



Butterfly eyes are made up of about 6,000 lenses. They can see color and ultraviolet light. Humans can't see ultraviolet light.



The proboscis is used like a straw for sipping nectar and water. Butterflies can even sip moisture from mud puddles.



Butterfly wings have scales which can come off if you touch their wings.



The scales on their wings help the butterfly soak up heat & aid in airflow as they fly.