







classification

animal

plant

vertebrate

invertebrate

grouping and ordering things according to criteria; plants and animals have been grouped and ordered by scientists according to their features

animals are **living things** that need food and water to grow, they **eat other plants or animals for food**, and can sense what is happening around them and can move (humans are animals)

plants are living things that need food and water to grow, plants make their own food from sunlight

an animal with a backbone, e.g., human, dog, horse

an animal without a backbone, e.g., bumble bee, spider, snail

scientists classify plants into flowering and non-flowering



poppy

flowering



fern

non-flowering

	vertebrates	
fish	are cold-blooded live in water use gills to breathe	
amphibians	are cold-blooded live part in water and part on land usually have moist skin with no scales	
reptiles	are cold-blooded hatch from eggs have dry, thick, scaly skin	
birds	are warm-blooded hatch from eggs can usually fly	
mammals	are warm-blooded have hair on their bodies produce milk to feed their young	

invertebrates (do not have a backbone)

insects
have three body parts: head, thorax and abdomen



arachnids

have eight legs

have two body parts: head and

abdomen

have six legs



molluscs

are soft-bodied many have a shell

