

## Year 6 Biological Science: Living Things and Habitats (Classification of Living Things)




## Unit 5

<p><b>Scientific Model (KS2):</b>  <b>Bigger Picture Model</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Need to understand how living things are related and depend on each other. To appreciate the diversity and need for conservation. Understanding diversity helps us understand and make advances in a variety of fields including medicine.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Scientific Skills Applied:</b></p> <p>ASK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To ask different kinds of questions</li> </ul> <p>BREAKDOWN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To plan different enquiries to answer questions</li> </ul> <p>CAPTURE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To create classification keys</li> </ul> <p>DESCRIBE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To use evidence from enquiry to support or refute ideas being tested</li> <li>- To use varied ways to present data</li> <li>- To explain how scientific ideas develop over time</li> <li>- To identify and comment, using appropriate language, on patterns they notice</li> <li>- To use relevant scientific language and illustrations in reports and when drawing conclusions</li> </ul>
<p><b>Science investigations:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Observing Changes over Time</li> <li>- Looking for Naturally- Occurring Patterns and Relationships</li> <li>- Identifying and Classifying Things</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Scientists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Carl Linnaeus - In 1735, Swedish Scientist Carl Linnaeus first published a system for classifying all living things. An adapted version of this system is still used today: The Linnaeus System.</li> </ul>	

<p><b>Prior Learning:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. (Y4 - Living things and their habitats)</li> <li>- explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. (Y4 - Living things and their habitats)</li> <li>- describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. (Y5 - Living things and their habitats)</li> <li>- describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals. (Y5 - Living things and their habitats)</li> </ul>
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Curriculum	Learning Intention	Knowledge and Key Vocabulary
<p><b><u>Making links to learning and discuss the model (if needed)</u></b></p> <p><b>Notes and guidance (non-statutory)</b>                      Pupils should build on their learning about grouping living things in year 4 by looking at the classification system in more detail.</p>	<p><b>What is classification?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss producers and consumers.</li> <li>• Discuss how animals have been grouped in previous year groups.</li> <li>• Discuss reproduction knowledge children have of animals and plants.</li> <li>• Create a classification key for objects in the classroom.</li> <li>• Recall learning from the Y4 discussing the difference between vertebrates and invertebrates.</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Knowledge:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Know that things can be grouped according to their features.</li> <li>- Know animals are classified as vertebrates and invertebrates.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Vocabulary:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Vertebrates, invertebrates</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Knowledge and skills through investigations</u></b>                      Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable</li> </ul>	<p><b>What is classification?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sort and group animals based on their features.</li> <li>• Give reasons for classifying animals based on their similarities and differences.</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Knowledge:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Know Carl Linnaeus invented the Linnaean system</li> <li>- Name the 8 categories in order of the Linnaean system.</li> </ul>

<p>characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants, and animals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics</li> </ul> <p>Notes and guidance (non-statutory):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- They should be introduced to the idea that broad groupings, such as micro-organisms, plants and animals can be subdivided.</li> <li>- Through direct observations where possible, they should classify animals into commonly found invertebrates (such as insects, spiders, snails, worms) and vertebrates (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals).</li> <li>- They should discuss reasons why living things are placed in one group and not another.</li> <li>- Pupils might find out about the significance of the work of scientists such as Carl Linnaeus, a pioneer of classification.</li> </ul> <p>Pupils might work scientifically by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- using classification systems and keys to identify some animals and plants in the immediate environment.</li> <li>- They could research unfamiliar animals and plants from a broad range of other habitats and decide where they belong in the classification system.</li> </ul>	<p><b>What is Carl Linnaeus well known for?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe who Carl Linnaeus was.</li> <li>• Explain how living things are classified using the Linnaean system.</li> <li>• Classify living things using the Linnaean system.</li> <li>• Identify different types of animals.</li> <li>• Match the types of animals to their characteristics.</li> <li>• Design a creature that has a set of characteristics of one type of animal.</li> <li>• Classify creatures based on their characteristics.</li> </ul> <p><b>What Are Microorganisms?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify types of microorganism.</li> <li>• Describe helpful and harmful micro-organisms.</li> <li>• Investigate harmful microorganisms.</li> </ul> <p><b>How are microorganisms classified?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw conclusions from results.</li> <li>• Describe and compare the structure of different cells.</li> <li>• Describe the characteristics of different microorganisms.</li> <li>• Design a microorganism using these characteristics.</li> </ul> <p><b>How can things in the local habitat be classified?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Classify organisms found in the local habitat.</li> <li>• Explain the classification of organisms found in the local habitat.</li> <li>• Group living things according to whether they are plants or animals.</li> <li>• Classify living things according to their characteristics.</li> <li>• Give reasons for the classification of different organisms.</li> <li>• Identify the characteristics of different groups of organisms.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understand there are 5 main groups of vertebrates.</li> <li>- Name an animal in each of the main 5 vertebrate groups.</li> <li>- Understand there are 5 main groups of plants.</li> <li>- Name the three types of micro-organisms.</li> <li>- Explain 3 different ways how some microorganisms have helped us and 3 different ways how microorganisms have harmed us.</li> </ul> <p><b>Vocabulary:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Classify, sort, group, similarities, differences, compare</li> <li>- Carl Linnaeus, Linnaean, classification, standard, domain, kingdom, phylum, class, order, family, genus, species.</li> <li>- Microorganism, fungus, bacteria, virus, microscopic, mould.</li> <li>- Microorganism, cell, eukaryote, nucleus, DNA, fungus, virus, bacteria.</li> <li>- Classify, organism, species, vertebrates, invertebrates, mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles, fish, insects, arachnids, molluscs, crustaceans, annelids, plants, flowering, non-flowering.</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Application and Assessment Activity</u></b></p>		<p><b><u>Knowledge:</u></b></p>

	<p>13 Country walk</p> <p>Maryam goes for a walk. Maryam takes photos of some of the things she sees.</p>  <p>Complete the key to show how Maryam can sort each of the things she has photographed. Fill in all the boxes.</p> <pre> graph TD     Root[Things Maryam photographed] --&gt; Living     Root --&gt; Non-living     Living --&gt; Horse     Living --&gt; Bird     Non-living --&gt; Rock     Non-living --&gt; Stream     </pre>	<p>Use it looking at some leaves.</p> <p>The key below identifies which tree each leaf comes from.</p>  <p><b>Key to tree leaves:</b></p> <p>1 Is the leaf long and thin? Yes: GO TO 2 No: GO TO 3</p> <p>2 Is the edge of the leaf smooth? Yes: Laurel No: Sweet chestnut</p> <p>3 Is the edge of the leaf smooth? Yes: Liriodendron No: Silver birch</p> <p>Look at this picture of a leaf from one of the trees.</p>  <p>4 Use the key above to identify the tree it comes from. The leaf is from a _____ tree.</p> <p>5 Tick ONE box to show why it is useful to identify plants and put them into groups.</p> <p>60 we know where to find a plant <input type="checkbox"/> because there is a large variety of plants <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>in case the plants become extinct <input type="checkbox"/> so we can observe the plants in their habitats <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Page 06 of 16</p>	<p><b>Vocabulary:</b></p>
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**Thinking Deeper:**

Children create a field guide for designated areas of the school grounds. They then present their guides to Year 5 children.

**Links to other subjects:**

- Subject Specific links –
  - English oral delivering a presentation.
  - Computing to create a key for classification.
- Personal Development – to be aware of harmful organisms and how to keep themselves safe.
- SMSC – creating awe and wonder discussing the amount of species on Earth and the amount we have discovered and classified.
- Cultural Capital – broadening knowledge about scientists and the impact they have upon our lives, even those from the 17<sup>th</sup> Century.
- Careers – microbiologists, botanists, zoologist, marine biologist, medical scientist, cook.
- British Values – respect for the environment when looking in the school grounds for organisms taking care not to destroy the habitat.
- Equality – feeling a sense of belonging in the wider school whilst delivering a presentation to another class.