Animals Including Humans

Key Vocabulary		Mammals have hearts with // body
circulatory system	A system which includes the heart, veins, arteries and blood transporting substances around the body.	four chambers. Notice from body how the blood that body has come from the body is to lungs
heart	An organ which constantly pumps blood around the circulatory system .	blood that has come from the lungs is oxygenated
blood vessels	The tube-like structures that carry blood through the tissues and organs. Veins, arteries and capillaries are the three types of blood vessels.	again. The blood isn't from body body body body body body body body
oxygenated blood	Oxygenated blood has more oxygen. It is pumped from the heart to the rest of the body.	Capillaries are the smallest blood vessels in the body and it is here that the exchange of water, nutrients, oxygen and carbon dioxide
deoxygenated blood	Deoxygenated blood is blood where most of the oxygen has already been transferred to the rest of the body.	Arteries carry arteries veins Veins carry
The heart pumps blood to the lungs to get oxygen. It then pumps this oxygenated blood		oxygenated blood away from the heart.

If you linked up all of the body's blood vessels, including arteries, capillaries, and veins, they would measure over 60,000 miles.

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around the body.

Animals Including Humans



Electricity

A path that an electrical current	
can flow around.	Components of a Circuit and Their Symbols
A visual picture that stands for something else.	lamp/bulb (indicator) wire
A device that stores energy as a chemical until it is needed. A cell is a single unit. A battery is a collection of cells .	
The flow of electrons , measured in amps .	(lighting)
How electric current is measured.	motor (open)
The force that makes the electric current move through the wires. The greater the voltage, the more current will flow.	-M- buzzer
The difficulty that the electric current has when flowing around a circuit .	cell switch (closed)
Very small particles that travel around an electrical circuit .	battery
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These **symbols** can be used to create electrical **circuit** diagrams.



What will make a bulb brighter or a buzzer louder?

More batteries or a higher voltage create more

power to flow through the **circuit**.

 Shortening the wires means the electrons have less resistance to flow through.

Series Circuit

A **circuit** that has only one route for the **current** to take. If more bulbs or buzzers are added, the power has to be shared and so they will be dimmer or quieter. If just one part of this series **circuit** breaks, the **circuit** is broken and the flow of **current** stops.

What will make a bulb dimmer or a buzzer quieter?

- Fewer **batteries** or a lower **voltage** give less power to the **circuit**.
- More buzzers or bulbs mean the power is shared by more components.
- Lengthening the wires means the **electrons** have to travel through more **resistance**.





Evolution and Inheritance

Key Vocabulary		Offspring	Variation	
offspring	The young animal or plant that is produced by the reproduction of that species.	Animals and plants produce offspring that are similar but not	In the same way that there is variation between parents and their	
inheritance	This is when characteristics are passed on to offspring from their parents.	identical to them. Offspring often look like their parents because features	offspring, you can see variation within any species, even plants.	
variations	The differences between individuals within a species.	are passed on.		
characteristics	The distinguishing features or qualities that are specific to a species.	Adaptive Traits Characteristics that are influenced by the environment the	Eye colour is an example of an inherited trait, but	
adaptation	An adaptation is a trait (or characteristic) changing to increase a living thing's chances of surviving and reproducing.	These adaptations can develop as a result of many things, such as food	so are things like hair colour, the shape of your earlobes and whether or not you can smell	
habitat	Refers to a specific area or place in which particular animals and plants can live.	Habitats A good habitat	Environments There are many	
environment	An environment contains many habitats and includes areas where there are both living and non- living things.	should provide shelter, water, enough space and plenty of food.	types of environment around the world. Polar regions, deserts, rainforests, oceans, rivers, and grasslands are all environments.	



Evolution and Inheritance

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evolution	Adaptation over a very long time.
natural selection	The process where organisms that are better adapted to their environment tend to survive and produce more offspring.
fossil	The remains or imprint of a prehistoric plant or animal, embedded in rock and preserved.
adaptive traits	Genetic features that help a living thing to survive.
nherited traits	These are traits you get from your parents. Within a family, you will often see similar traits, e.g. curly hair.

Fossils are the preserved remains, or partial remains, of ancient animals and plants. Fossils let scientists know how plants and animals used to look millions of years ago. This is proof that living things have evolved over time.

have developed from earlier forms over millions of years. Scientists have proof that living things are continuously evolving - even today!

Evolution is the gradual process by

which different kinds of living organism

Living Things		Habitat		Adaptive Traits
polar bear		arctic		Its white fur enables it to camouflage in the snow.
camel		desert		It has wide feet to make it easier to walk in the sand.
cactus	W	desert		It stores water in its stem.
toucan		rainforest		Its narrow tongue allows it to eat small fruit and insects.





Natural Selection

Fossils of giraffes from millions of years ago show that they used to have shorter necks. They have gradually evolved through natural selection to have longer necks so that they can reach the top leaves on taller trees.

Key Vocabulary		
light A form of energy that trave a wave rom a source.		
light source	An object that makes its own light .	
reflection	Reflection is when light bounces off a surface, changing the direction of a ray of light .	
incident ray	A ray of light that hits a surface.	
reflected ray	A ray of light that has bounced back after hitting a surface	
the law of reflection	The law states that the angle of the incident ray is equal to the angle of the reflected ray .	

Key Knowledge

We need **light** to be able to see things. **Light** waves travel out from sources of **light** in straight lines. These lines are often called rays or beams of **light**.

Light from the sun travels in a straight line and hits the chair. The **light** ray is then **reflected** off the chair and travels in a straight line to the girl's eye, enabling her to see the chair.



The law of reflection states that the angle of incidence is equal to the angle of reflection. Whenever light is reflected from a surface, it obeys this law.

reflection is the angle between the normal line and the reflected ray light. The angle of incidence is the angle between the normal line

and the **incident**

ray of light.

The angle of



Light travels as a wave. But unlike waves of water or sound waves, it does not need a medium to travel through. This means light can travel

through a vacuum - a completely

airless space.



Light

Key Vocabulary		
refraction	This is when light bends as it passes from one medium to another. E.g Light bends when it moves from air into water.	
visible spectrum	Light that is visible to the human eye. It is made up of a colour	
prism	A prism is a solid 3D shape with flat sides. The two ends are an equal shape and size. A transparent prism separates out visible light into all the colours of the spectrum .	
shadow	An area of darkness where <mark>light</mark> has been blocked.	
transparent	Describes objects that let light travel through them easily, meaning you can see through the object.	
translucent	Describes objects that let some light through, but scatters the light so we can't see through them properly.	
opaque	Describes objects that do not let any <mark>light</mark> pass through them.	

Key Knowledge

this water looks as if it is bent. This is because **light** bends when it moves from air to water. When **light** bends in this way, it is called **refraction**.

A **shadow** is always the same shape as the object that casts it. This is because when an **opaque** object is in the path of **light** travelling from a **light source**, it will block the **light** rays that hit it, while the rest of the **light** can continue travelling.

Isaac Newton shone a **light** through a **transparent prism**, separating out **light** into the colours of the rainbow (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet) - the colours of the **spectrum**. All the colours together merge and make visible **light**.





also be elongated or shortened depending on the angle of the **light source**. A **shadow** is also larger when the object is

closer to the **light source**. This is because it blocks more of the **light**.



Living Things and Their Habitats

Does it have feathers?

no

lt's a

mammal

yes

lt's a

reptile

yes

lt's a

bird

Classification **Key Vocabulary** In 1735. Swedish Scientist Carl Linnaeus first published a characteristics Special qualities or appearances system for classifying all living things. An adapted version that make an individual or group of this system is still used today: The Linnaeus System. of things different to others. classifv To sort things into different groups. Living things can be **classified** by these eight levels. The number of living things in each level gets smaller until the one animal taxonomist A scientist who classifies different is left in its species level. This is how a dog would be classified. living things into categories. **Domain:** Eukarya jackal, clownfish, cat, dog, ladybird, daisy, rabbit, fox A key is a series of questions about kev the **characteristics** of living things. Kingdom: Animals jackal, clownfish, cat, dog, ladybird, rabbit, fox A key is used to identify a living thing or decide which group it Phylum: Chorodata jackal, clownfish, cat, dog, rabbit, fox, belongs to by answering 'yes' or **Class:** Mammals jackal, cat, dog, rabbit, fox 'no' questions. Order: Carnivore jackal, cat. dog, fox Scientists, called Taxonomists, sort and group living dog, things according to their similarities and differences. Family: Canidae jackal, fox Is it warmblooded? Genus: Canis jackal, dog yes no

Species: Lupus

Does it live on land?

no

It's an

amphibian

no

lt's a

fish

yes

Does it

have scales?

Each group allows scientists to observe and understand the characteristics of living things more clearly. They group similar things together then split the groups again and again based on their differences.

dog



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Living Things and Their Habitats

Key Vocabulary		
bacteria	A single-celled microorganism.	
microorganism	An organism that can only be seen using a microscope , e.g. bacteria , mould and yeast.	
microscope	A piece of equipment that is used to view very tiny (microscopic) things by magnifying their appearance.	
species	A group of animals that can reproduce to produce fertile offspring.	

Helpful Microbes	Harmful Microbes
Bacteria - cheese	Bacteria - salmonella is a bacterium that can lead to food poisoning
Yeast - wine	Virus - chicken pox and flu are examples of viral diseases
Bacteria - yoghurt	Fungi - athlete's foot
Yeast - bread dough	Bacteria - plaque
Penicillium fungi - antibiotics	Fungi - mould

Microorganisms

Microorganisms are viruses, bacteria, moulds and yeast. Some animals (dust mites) and plants (phytoplankton) are also microorganisms.

Microorganisms are very tiny living things that can only be seen using a microscope. They can be found in and on our bodies, in the air, in water and on objects around us.









