

Key Words to learn and use:

- Amphibian** - live partly in water and land
- Characteristic**—a feature belonging to particular animal
- Classification** —the arrangement of animals in groups
- Conservation** - protection of an animals natural habitat
- Endangered**—seriously at risk of extinction
- Environment**—surroundings an animal lives
- Extinct** having no living members, no longer in existence
- Global**—relating to the whole world
- Habitat** - the natural home and environment
- Hibernation** —the condition of an animal or plant spending the winter in a dormant state.
- Human Impact**—humans change directly or indirectly the biodiversity, natural resources and ecosystem of the environment.
- Invertebrates** - animals without a backbone
- Key** —list of explanations
- Local** - relating to a particular area
- Mammal**— is warm blooded, hairy and feed young
- Migrate**—move from one region or habitat to another according to the seasons.
- Organism** —an individual animal or plant
- Reptile**—cold blooded with scaly skin and lay eggs
- Variation**—different types of representation.
- Vertebrates**—animals with a backbone
- Wildlife**—wild animals or fauna of a region.

Living Things – Classification

All living things can be put into groups based on features they have in common.
The main groups are:

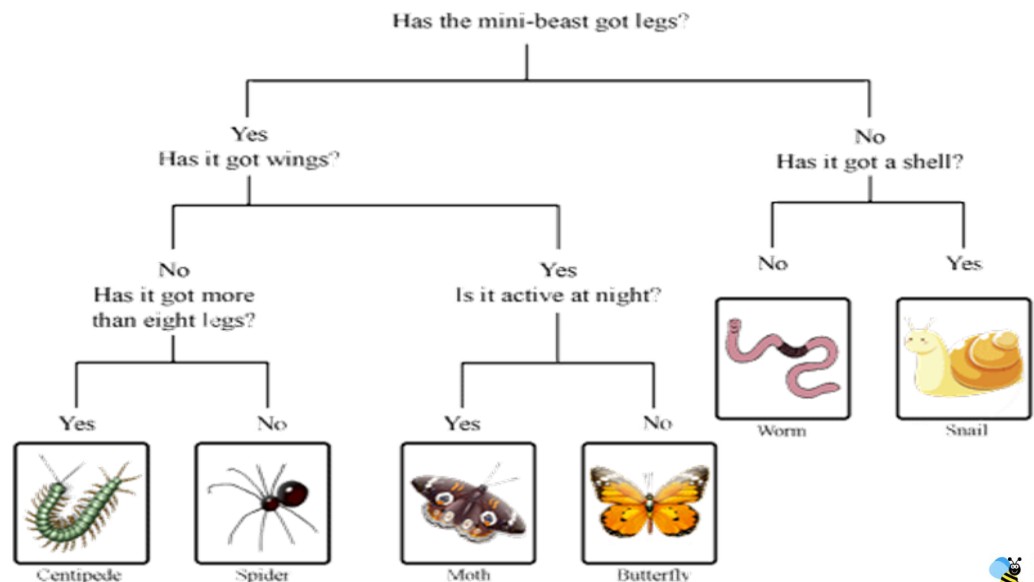
Animals

Plants

Micro-organisms

Within these large groups are many smaller groups that help scientists to identify new species using classification keys.

Below is a key that could help to identify different types of mini-beast. It is a series of questions that are answered 'yes' or 'no'.



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What is it an insect?

What does cold blooded mean?	Start	End
Having cold blood		
Being mean		
Body changes temperature to conditions		
Being really cold		

What is Hibernation?	Start	End
Going to hide in spring		
Going to look for food in autumn		
Going to drink in winter		
Going to sleep in the winter		

What is migration?	Start	End
Moving from one area to another in seasons		
Joining together		
Having a headache		
Being strong and mighty		

Which is the only mammal that lays eggs?	Start	End
Duck		
Platypus		
Elephant		
Mole		

Which of these is the odd one out?	Start	End
Gazelle		
Giraffe		
Impala		
Antelope		

How many legs has a spider?	Start	End
Six		
Four		
Ten		
Eight		

Do all birds make nests for their eggs?	Start	End
True		
False		

Do all bird lay eggs?	Start	End
True		
False		

Can you name 6 amphibians?
Start:
End:

Questions I have at the start:

Answered?

YES NO