Y3/4 Science Knowledge Organiser: Classifying Living Things and their Habitats

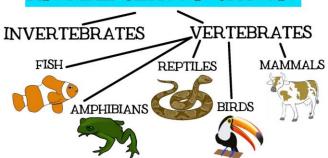
There are over 8 million different species of living things on our Earth.

Words to Learn		
Key Word	Definition	
classify	To arrange or group things into categories depending on characteristics.	
vertebrate	An animal with a backbone.	
invertebrate	An animal without a backbone.	
cold-blooded	An animal whose body temperature varies with the environment they are in, i.e. fish.	
warm- blooded	Animals that maintain a regular body temperature	
sample	A small amount of something to show what the whole of it may be like.	
exoskeleton	An external covering of the body found in some invertebrates such a as arthropods.	
creature	An animal, distinct from a human being.	

Туре	Food	Body	Blood
Mammal	Can be carnivorous, omnivorous or herbivorous	 Hair and fur Four-chambered hearts Females give milk Have teeth Vertebrates 	Warm- Blooded
Insect	Can be carnivorous or herbivorous	 Made up of a head, thorax and abdomen Six legs Invertebrates 	Cold- Blooded
Bird	Can be carnivorous, omnivorous or herbivorous	FeathersWingsBeaksLays eggsVertebrates	Warm- Blooded
Fish	Mostly carnivorous	Breathe with gills Scales Fins Can swim Most are vertebrates	Cold- Blooded
Amphibian	Can be carnivorous or herbivorous	 Live in water or land Can breathe through gills or lungs Vertebrates 	Cold- Blooded
Reptile	Can be carnivores or omnivorous	Most lay eggs Has scales Live in water or land Vertebrates	Cold- Blooded

Scientists classify living things by their different characteristics.

ANIMAL CLASSIFICATION



A habitat is a natural environment for any type of living organism.

