

Combined Science
Characteristics of Living Things
Worksheet 1

Name: _____ Date: _____

Instructions: Complete the passage below by choosing the words from the list:
organism, reproduction, respiration, excretion, growth, irritability, movement, nutrition

- a. Living things are often called _____.
- b. All living things release energy from their food in a process called _____ which happens inside their cells.
- c. Some of the energy is used for _____, which usually happens more quickly in animals than in plants.
- d. The food from which the energy is released is taken into the body in a process called _____.
- e. All living things get bigger as they get older. This process is called _____.
- f. The production of young is called _____.
- g. Waste substances are removed from organisms by the process of _____.
- h. The seventh characteristic shown by all living organisms is _____ which means that they are able to respond to changes in their surroundings.