

North Eleuthera High School

Biology Class Assignment

Topic: The Seven Characteristics of Living Things

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Instructions: Complete the following paragraphs on the seven characteristics of living things. The number in brackets gives you a clue about the number of letters in the answer. Correct spelling is important! Now let's see how well you listened in class!

A characteristic is a _____(7) or
_____ (5) that separates living things from
_____ (9) things.

All living things can move from _____ (5) to place. Animals move to find
_____ (4), _____ (7) and even to mate.
These systems help animals to move: _____ (8) and
_____ systems.
_____ (6) cannot move as fast as animals, they move when
they _____ (4).

Reproduction is the process where living things produce
_____ (9). There are two types of reproduction:
_____ (6) and _____ (7).
During the first type of reproduction male and female _____ (7)
join together to form a _____ (6). During the second
type of reproduction organisms can reproduce without
_____ (7). _____ (4) and
_____ (8) can carry out this type of reproduction.

Growth is an increase in _____ (4) and mass. The hormone called
_____ (6) hormone helps to control growth in humans. Too much of this

hormone causes _____(9) and not enough of this hormone causes _____(8)

During respiration _____(6) is made. There are two types of respiration: _____ and _____ . The two substances needed for respiration to take place are: _____(6) and _____(7). Respiration takes place in the _____(12) of all body cells.

Excretion is the release of _____(5). Two wastes produced by humans are _____(4) and _____(6) _____(7). The _____(7) and _____(11) systems help to get rid of these toxic substances.

Nutrition means obtaining _____(9) from food. Animals are called _____(11) because they cannot produce their own food and they get their food by eating other animals and plants. Plants make their own food by the process called _____(14) and because of this plants are called _____(9). Plants need _____(6) _____(7) and water to make their food which is known as _____(7).

Irritability means to _____(6) and _____(7) to stimuli. Two examples of stimuli are _____(5) and _____(8) that are detected by the eyes and skin. The _____(7) system helps use to carry out irritability. The growth response of plants is called _____(8).