

Exercise 1:

Living things don't show all of the seven characteristics all of the time. Which characteristics are you showing at this moment? Explain your answer.

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Which characteristics is this plant showing?

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Some cars have sensors that detect things around them, to help the driver to park or to turn the lights on automatically when it gets dark. How is a car similar to a living organism?

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What makes a car different from a living organism?

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Summary:

- Living organisms have a set of seven characteristics - growth, movement, reproduction, excretion, sensitivity, nutrition and respiration.
- Non - living things may have some of these characteristics, but not all seven of them.