

**Test: Classification of Living Things**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

**Word Bank:**

Biodiversity

Classification

Taxonomy

Binomial Nomenclature

Phylogeny

Cladistics

Cladogram

Specific Epithet

**Use the word bank above to match with the description below.**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ - uses phylogeny to classify species in a given taxon
3. \_\_\_\_\_ - the grouping of objects
4. \_\_\_\_\_ - the variety of species in an area, or the entire earth
5. \_\_\_\_\_ - a two word naming system
6. \_\_\_\_\_ - classifying species based on basic to most-detailed similarities
7. \_\_\_\_\_ - characteristics that are unique to one species
8. \_\_\_\_\_ - a diagram that shows what organisms are closely related to a specific species

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**Circle the best answer.**

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**List the five determinants of relationship:**

25. S \_\_\_\_\_
26. B \_\_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_\_
27. G \_\_\_\_\_ D \_\_\_\_\_
28. C \_\_\_\_\_
29. B \_\_\_\_\_

**Identify the parts of a tree of life and describe their meaning:**

30. T \_\_\_\_\_ -
31. L \_\_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_\_ -
32. I \_\_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_\_ -



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33.									
34.									
35.									
36.									
37.									
38.									

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39. List the two determining factors in how organisms are classified into kingdoms.

40. Place the following in order from greatest to least:  
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List the five determinants of relationship:

25. Structure
26. Breeding Behavior
27. Geographical Distribution
28. Chromosomes
29. Biochemistry

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32. Individual Branch - represents what each taxa has in common



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35. Fungi		X	X	X		X			X
36. Protista		X	X	X	X	X			X
37. Eubacteria	X		X		X	X		X	
38. Archaeobacteria	X		X		X	X	X		

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Cellular structure

Means of obtaining energy

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