

Living Things Scrapbook

Due 10.1.18

Essential Question: What are the characteristics of living things?

Requirements:

This assignment is to put together a scrapbook on a living organism (plant, animal, etc) that you select. This will be a collaborative project. You will choose an organism that interests you or that you are curious about. It will make the project more interesting.

The scrapbook should reflect your best work. Make it creative. The book should have a cover. **The cover of the book should contain: the common name of your organism, its scientific name, a picture of your organism, date and class period.** Be sure to bind your book.

You should have one scrapbook page for each of the 7 characteristics of living things: Have Cells, Maintain Homeostasis, Respond to Stimulus, Reproduce, Have DNA, Use Energy, Grow and Develop. On **each** page, be sure to: I) Prominently display the name of the characteristic, ii) Provide a picture that accurately shows the organism as it relates to the characteristic, iii) Write 5 complete sentences that provide detailed information on the organism as it relates to the characteristic and IV) List the source used for the information.

Plagiarism:

Be sure to write your captions in your own words. Do not copy directly from the web, encyclopedia or books. You will receive a failing grade on this project for plagiarizing and be asked to redo your work. To save time, do it right the first time☺.

Grading Rubric:

Your project will be graded using the rubric on the backside of this page. It's a good idea to use this rubric as a checklist to ensure you have completed each of the requirements for this project. You must hand in this rubric with your project, so don't lose it.

Living Things Scrapbook Score Card:

Please hand this rubric with your scrapbook.

Name: _____

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Layout	Scrapbook is neatly bound. Cover includes the common name, scientific name and a picture of the organism. Each characteristic is found on a separate page with the name of the characteristic prominently displayed.	Scrapbook is properly bound. Cover includes the common name and a picture of the organism. Most characteristics are found on a separate page. The characteristic names are displayed.	Scrapbook is adequately bound. Cover is missing either the common name or a picture of the organism. Some characteristics are combined on pages. Most characteristic names easy to identify.	Scrapbook is poorly bound. Cover is missing or does not contain the name and picture of the organism. Characteristics are combined on pages. The characteristic is not easy to identify.
Content: Descriptions	Provides detailed information on the organism as it relates to each characteristic. Five complete and well written sentences. Sources are stated on each page.	Provides information on the organism as it relates to each characteristic. Five sentences are complete. Sources are provided for most pages.	Provides some but not all detail on the organism as it relates to each characteristic. Provides less than five complete sentences. A few sources are provided.	Provides little information on the organism as it relates to each characteristic. Sentences are poorly constructed and/or incomplete. Sources are not provided.
Content: Pictures	All illustrations accurately depict the organism as it relates to each characteristic.	Most illustrations accurately depict the organism as it relates to each characteristic.	Illustrations provided, but only few accurately depict the organism as it relates to each characteristic.	Missing some pictures. Illustrations are not specific to the organism and/or the characteristic.
Visual Appeal & Creativity	Pleasing use of color and eye-catching graphic elements. Incorporates unique ideas, visuals or text to make the product stand out.	Good use of color and eye-catching graphics. Contains some unique or imaginative elements.	Good ideas overshadowed by other elements that distract or give a cluttered appearance. Contains some, although not entirely original elements.	Little constructive use of color or graphic elements. No evidence of creativity.
Mechanics: Grammar/Spelling	No errors in grammar and/or spelling	Few errors in grammar and/or spelling	Some errors in grammar and/or spelling	Many errors in grammar and/or spelling