

Sort What You See

Procedure

- 1. Collaborate** Work in a small group. In the chart below, list 15 different living organisms.

Organisms	Appearance	Function
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- 2. Use Models** Write the name of each organism on a separate index card. Include a drawing or a photo of the organism on the card.

- 3. Classify** Group the index cards according to common characteristics of the organisms. Name and describe each group. Record your groups on the lines below.

Conclusion

Write the answers to the questions.

- 1. Analyze Data** With your group, create a chart or diagram that shows your classification scheme.

- 2. Compare** Share your classifications with another group. How is their classification scheme different than yours?

- 3. Classify** Work with your group and reclassify the living organisms. Choose a different characteristic to classify them by.

Investigate More!

Research Use the Internet or books at the library to research other organisms, perhaps some you have never seen before. How do these organisms fit into your classification scheme?

