

Life Science Stories



Living & Nonliving

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Earth is filled with many kinds of things. Some of them are living. Some of them are not living, or nonliving. How can you tell the difference?



Here are some things that living things do:

- 1 - Living things grow. We get taller as we grow up.
- 2 - Living things react. If there is a bright light, you close your eyes.
- 3 - Living things use energy. People eat food for energy.
- 4 - Living things reproduce. Flowers make seeds to make more flowers.
- 5 - Living things are organized. We have cells and organs, like hearts and lungs.
- 6 - Living things adapt. We learn and change.



That is why things like rocks or air are nonliving. They can't do things that plants and animals do.

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