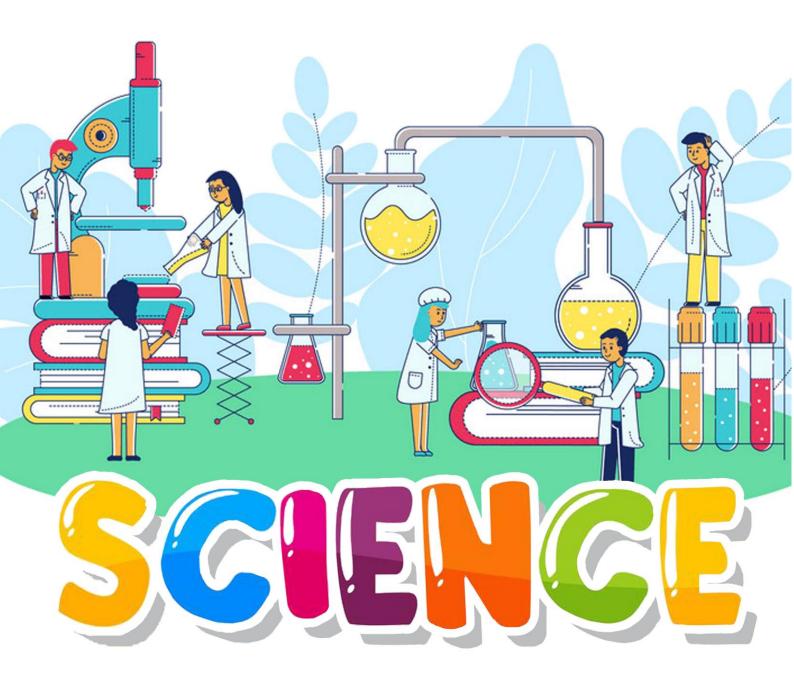


# Grade 8





### **Animal Classification**

# **Activity 1**

Tashila went on a trip to Hikkaduwa and Kanneliya areas on last few days. He made a list of animals that he saw during those days.

Jelly Fish, Seagull, Dolphin, Sea Anemone, Snail, Parrot, Tarantula, Python, Monkey, Centipede, Loris, Thilapia, Owl, Crow, Dog, Clam, Caterpillar

- 1. With the knowledge you gained in grade 7, categorize the above animals based on presence of vertebral column and absence of vertebral column.
- 2. Write another term to define the animals without a vertebral column.
- 3. write a term to define the animals with a vertebral column.

### **Activity 2**

Following are some of the photographs taken by Tashila during his trip to watch coral reefs at Hikkaduwa.









1. All of the above animals are invertebrates. Categorize them into four groups based on the external features of the animals for the convenience of studying.

Group		
Example		

- 2. Write three features of each group separately.
- 3. Define the term "soft bodied animals" and write two examples.
- 4. Define the term "segmented worms" and write two examples.
- 5. Divide the following animals into four groups.

Snail, Hydra, Earthworm, Nereis, Spider, moth



# **Activity 3**

Below are some of the photographs taken by Tashila during his visit to the Kanneliya forest reserve.



1. All of these animals are vertebrates. For the convenient of studying, categorize them into five groups based on their external features.

Group			
Example			

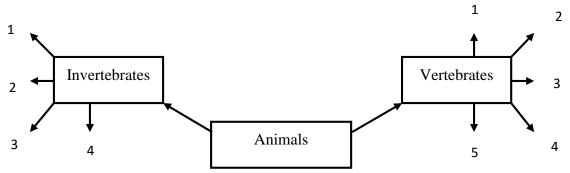
- 2. Write three special features for each group.
- 3. What is the reason for categorizing "frog" under the amphibian group?
- 4. What is the reason for categorizing "monkey" under the Mammalia group?
- 5. Categorize the following animals under the groups mentioned above.

Dolphin, Human, Tuna, Shark, Crocodile, Crow, Tortoise, Whale, Ostrich



## **Summary**

Complete the following concept map.



### **Exercises**

Underline the most accurate answer.

- 1. An animal without a vertebral column,
- i. Tortoise
- ii. Lizard
- iii. Prawn
- iv. Snake

- 2. A vertebrate.
- i. Prawn
- ii. Sea anemone
- iii. Dragonfly
- iv. Lizard
- 3. The invertebrate group that shows radial body symmetry,
- i. Cnidaria
- ii. Annelida
- iii. Mollusca
- iv. Arthropoda
- 4. An animal that does not belong to the Mollusca group,
- i. Octopus
- ii. Millipede
- iii. Cuttlefish
- iv. Clams
- 5. The invertebrate group with highest number of animals in the world,
- i. Arthropoda
- ii. Mollusca
- iii. Annelida
- iv. Cnidaria

- 6. Pair of animals with a streamlined body,
- i. Thilapia, Cobra
- ii. Swan, Tortoise
- iii. Shark, Parrot
- iv. Crocodile, Monkey
- 7. An animal that do respiration through moist skin,
- i. Frog
- ii. Tortoise
- iii. Crocodile
- iv. Cobra

- 8. This animal feed its' little ones with milk,
- i. Duck
- ii. Scorpion
- iii. Python
- iv. Chimpanzee

- 9. An animal who shows metamorphosis,
- i. Lizard
- ii. Frog
- iii. Skate
- iv. Seer fish
- 10. The group of animals that do not respire through lungs,
- i. Mammalia
- ii. Reptilia
- iii. Aves
- iv. Pisces