

Nova's Classification Key Flashcards

Learning objective: To identify and name living things using a classification key.

Read the front of the card. Think about the answer. Flip the card over (or read the answer part) to check if you are right. Use the word bank to help you.

What is a classification key?	What do we call a special feature used to sort things into groups?
A tool used to identify living things by asking questions.	A characteristic or feature.
If a key asks 'Does it have fur?', what are the only two answers you can give?	What is a 'branch' on a classification key?
Yes or No.	A path you follow after answering a question.
Why do we use classification keys?	If an animal has feathers, does it go into the 'mammal' group?
To group and identify living things easily.	No, it goes into the 'bird' group.
True or False: A classification key helps you sort things into groups.	What is the first step when using a key?
True.	Look at the living thing and choose a question.
Nova the Owl sees a creature with six legs. Is it an insect?	What happens at the end of a classification key?
Yes, because insects have six legs.	You find the name of the living thing.