

Classifying Living Things

6th Grade

The levels biologists use, from kingdom down to species.

Each level is narrower than the one above it.

Level	Gets narrower	Human example
Kingdom	broadest group	Animalia
Phylum	body plan	Chordata
Class	major type	Mammalia
Order	related families	Primates
Family	closely related	Hominidae
Genus	very close relatives	Homo
Species	can breed together	sapiens

The species name is always written genus first, capitalised: Homo sapiens.