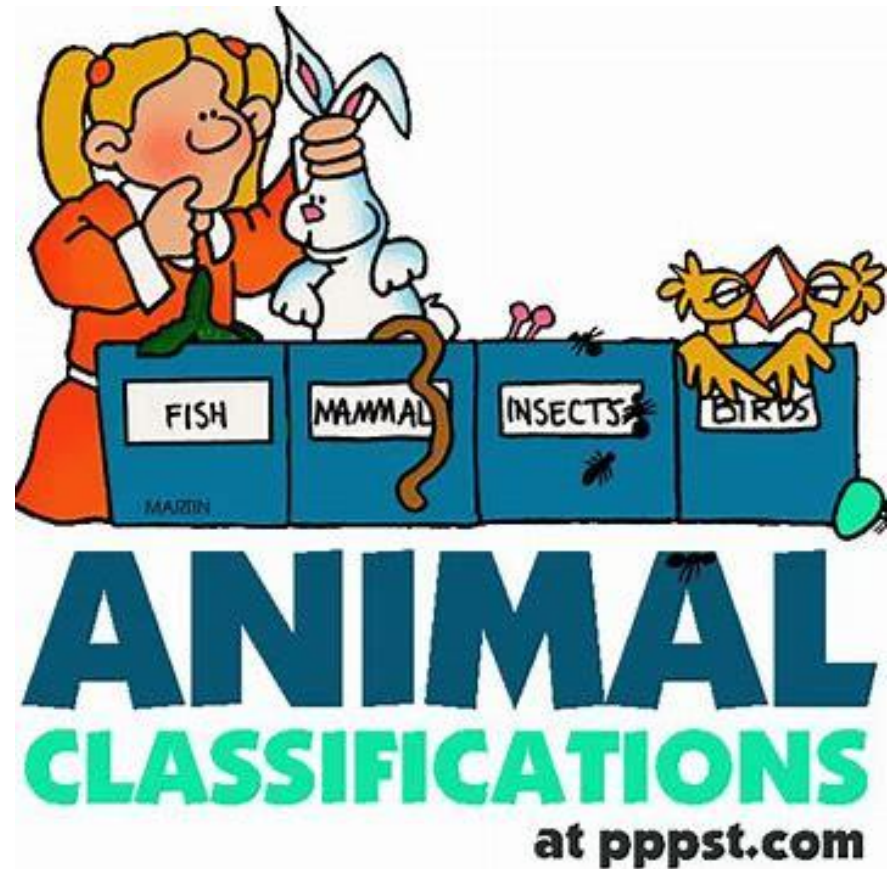


We can sort plants and animals in many different ways.

All sorts of nature...



We can group living things together in different ways.



We can group by size, or color, or pattern.

We can group by features—for instance we can put furry things in one pile, feathery things in a second, and scaly things in a third.

Finger sorting



Lots of ways to group our things-- (fingers spread open)

Some with scales and some with wings! (hands on top of each other going to arms flapping).

Sorting singing to *Have You Ever Seen a Lassie?*

Have you ever seen a birdy, a birdy, a birdy -- (flapping arms)

Have you ever seen a birdy, with feathery wings?
(flapping arms)

Flying so high, way up in the sky, (pointing up)

Have you ever seen a birdy, with feathery wings?
(flapping arms)

Have you ever seen a fishy, a fishy, a fishy — (hands together flat)

Have you ever seen a fishy with shimmery scales?
(hands on top of each other)

Oh, watch how they go (pointing to eyes)

Swimming way down below — (pointing downward)

Have you ever seen a fishy with shimmery scales?



All sorts of sorting....

Stand by the trail and observe—
what did you see?—which things
would you group together?—trees,
flowers, grasses, insects?

Look in your refrigerator—what do
you see? Which foods would you
group together—fruit, vegetables,
drinks.....

Look at the pictures on the next
page— which pictures would you
group together?





Books about sorting

What things do we group together?

