# Why Classify?

- Answering Questions The classification of living things makes it easier for biologist to answer many important questions such as:
- 1. How many known species are there?
- 2. What are the defining characteristics of each species?
- 3. What are the relationships between these species?



# **Levels of Classification**

Kingdoms and Beyond

1. DomainDumb2. KingdomKing3. PhylumPhillip4. Classcame5. Orderover6. Familyfor7. Genusgrape8. Speciesspinach



## **Chapter 9**

### Section 1 Sorting It All Out

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#### **Levels of Classification**

Kingdom Animalia	Phylum Chordata	Class Mammalia	Order Carnivora	Family Felidae	Genus Felis	Species Felis domesticus
All animals are in the kingdom Animalia.	All animals in the <b>phylum Chordata</b> have a hollow nerve cord. Most have a backbone.	Animals in the <b>class</b> Mammalia have a backbone. They also nurse their young.	Animals in the order Carnivora have a back- bone and nurse their young. They also have special teeth for tearing meat.	Animals in the <b>family</b> Felidae are cats. They have a backbone, nurse their young, have special teeth for tearing meat, and have retractable claws.	Animals in the <b>genus</b> <i>Felis</i> have traits of other animals in the same family. However, these cats cannot roar; they can only purr.	The species Felis domesticus is the com- mon house cat. The house cat shares traits with all of the organisms in the levels above the species level, but it also has unique traits.
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## **Scientific Names**

- One Species, One Name A scientific name is always the same for a specific kind of organism no matter how many common names there might be.
- **Two-Part Names** The first part of a species's name is the genus name. It is always capitalized. The second part of the name is the species name.



## **Dichotomous Keys**

- What Is a Dichotomous Key? A dichotomous key is a tool for identifying organisms that uses a series of paired descriptive statements. Two part
- Two-Part Names



## **A Growing System**

- Still Discoveries to Make
- Discovery Unique Organisms





- Explain
- Describe
- Describe



## What Is It?

- What Is Used to Classify Organisms?
- Adding New Classification Categories



# The Two Kingdoms of Bacteria

 The Domain Archaea Archaea are one of two kinds of prokaryotes. *Prokaryotes* Most are

known to live in extreme environments.

• The Domain Bacteria Bacteria are another kind of prokaryote. Bacteria can be found in soil, water, and even on and inside the human body.



# The Domain Eukarya

- The Kingdom Protista Today members of the kingdom Protista commonly called *protists*, are single-celled or simple multicelluar organisms.
- Protista contains many kinds of organisms, including protozoans, algae, and euglenoids.



# The Domain Eukarya, continued

The Kingdom Fungi

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complex, multicelluar

fungi absorb nutrients from substances in their surroundings.



## **The Kingdom Plantae**

## Plants

organisms that are eukaryotic, have cell walls, and make food through photosynthesis.

• Examples of Plantae Sequoia trees, roses, grasses, ferns, and more



# **The Kingdom Animalia**

## Animals

complex, multicellular organisms that don't have cell walls, are usually able to move around, and have specialized sense organs.

- Examples of Animalia Ants, beetles, lizards, fish, birds, apes, elephants, and more are all examples of members of the kingdom Animalia.
- Simple Animals Most animals are able to move, but sponges, a simple animal, cannot move

