



Student Performance Events

Stimulus Materials

Proficiency Assessments for Mississippi Students-Alternate
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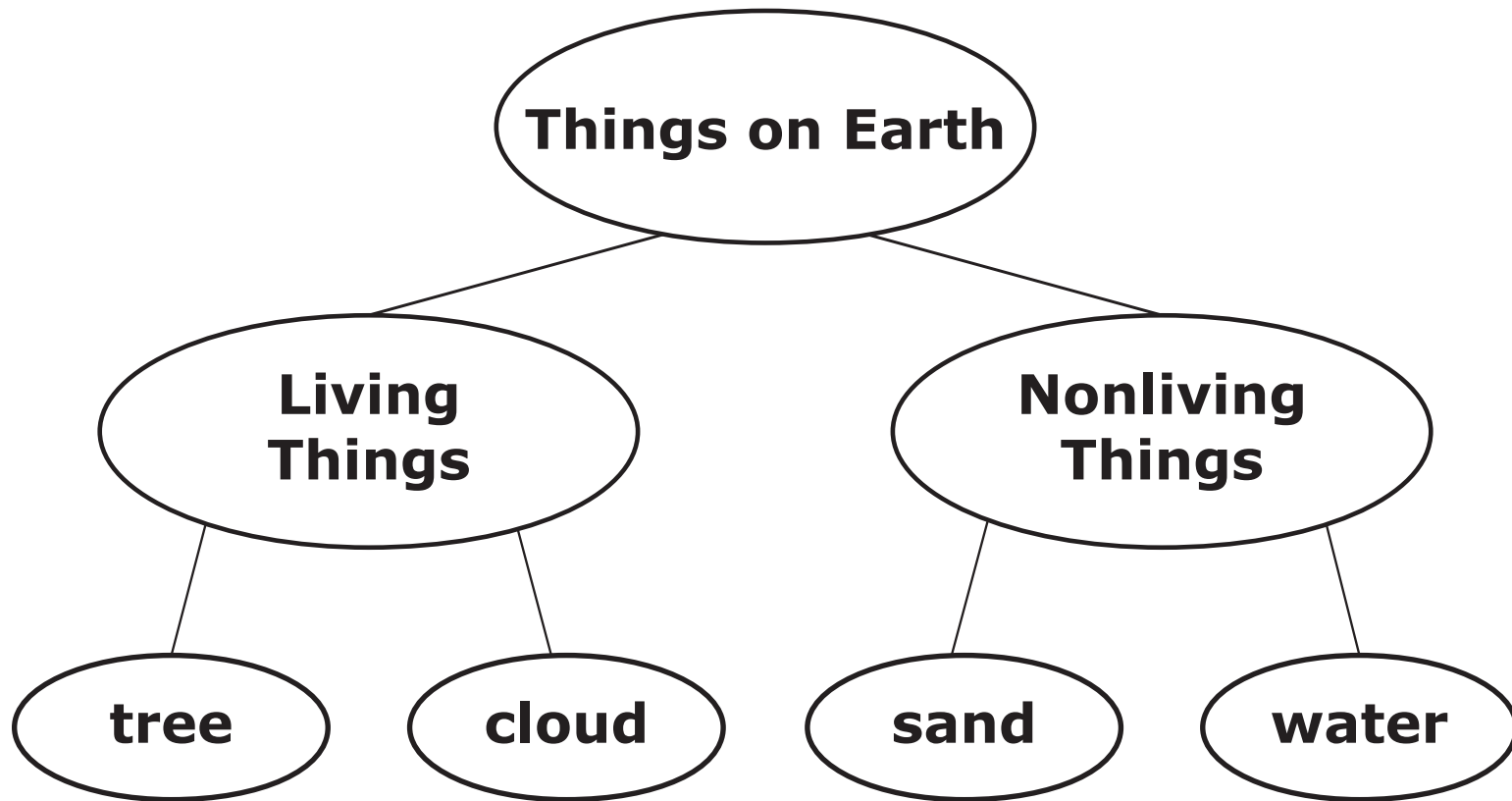
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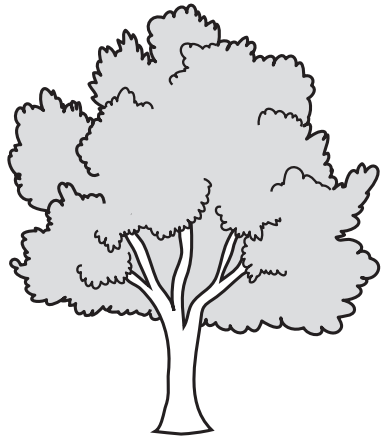
A living thing is defined as anything that is alive. A nonliving thing is defined as anything that is not living. It has never been alive.



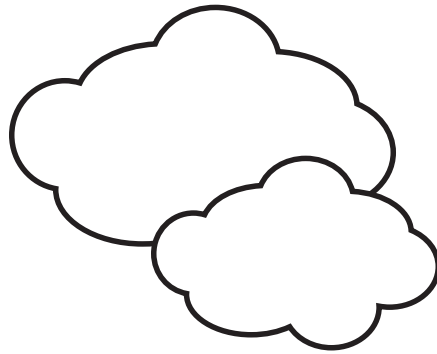
tree

cloud

sand



tree

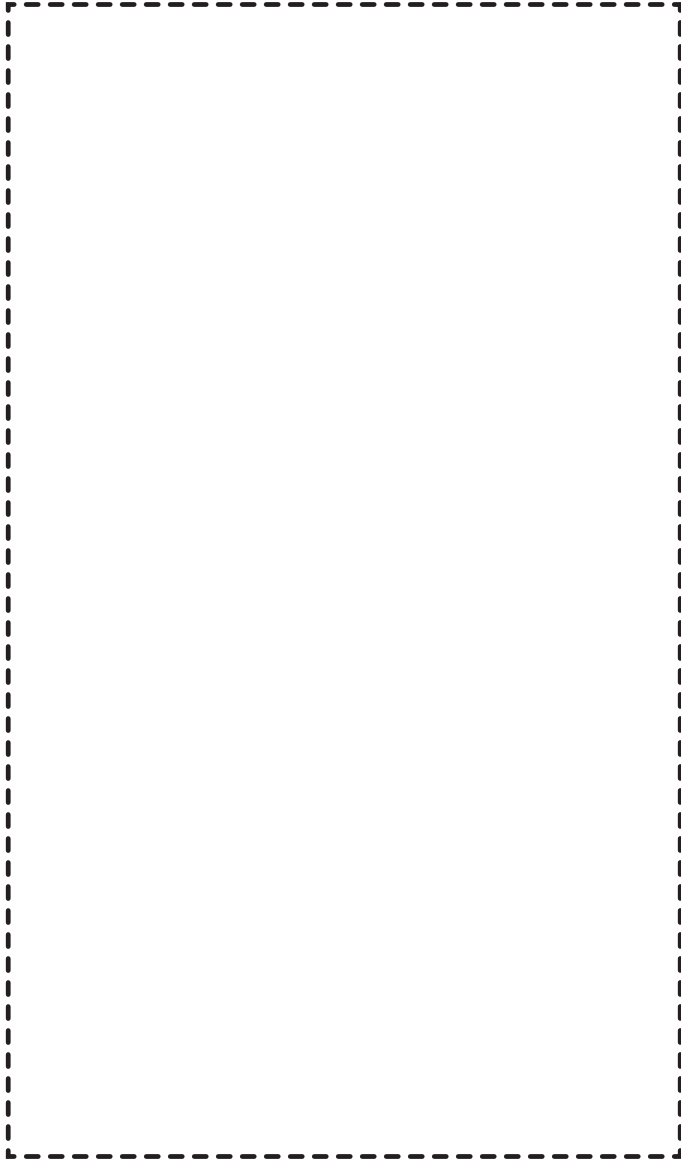
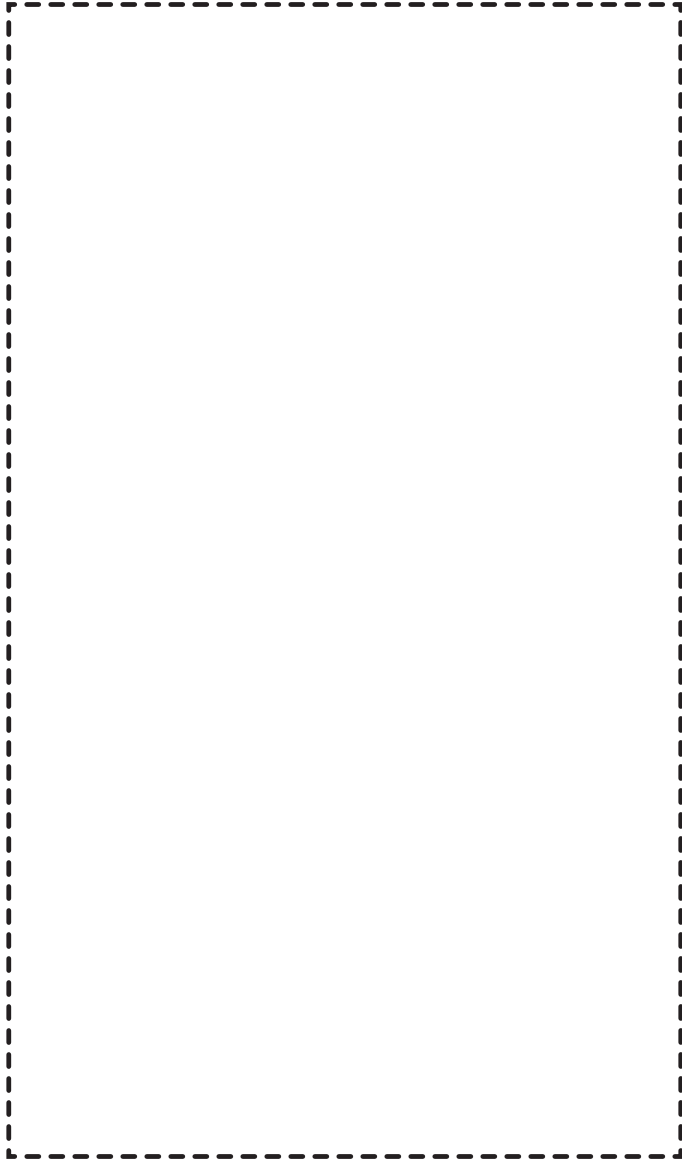


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Over time, some animals were not able to adapt to changes in the environment. Animals that could not survive became extinct. “Extinct” means that none of them exist on Earth.

Extinct	Living
	

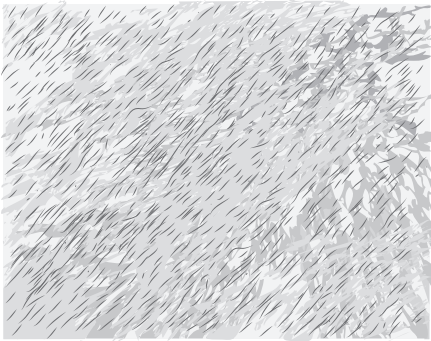


polar bear

**white
fur**

**sharp
claws**

**strong
sense of
smell**



**white
fur**



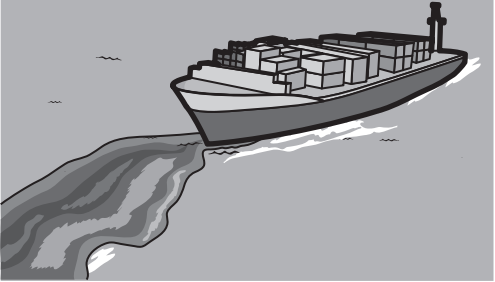
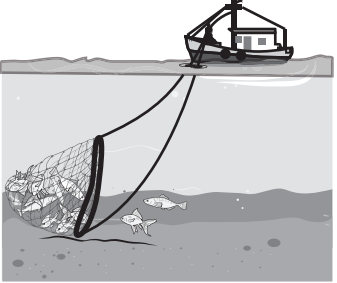

**sharp
claws**



**strong sense
of smell**

Humans can impact the Earth in positive and negative ways. Some activities can harm Earth's natural resources and other activities can help them.

Action	Effect
oil spill	
overfishing	
cleaning a pond	

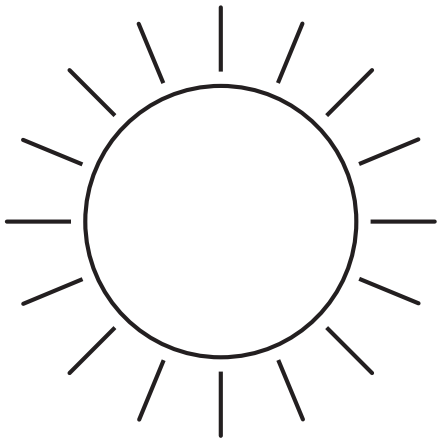
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Plants do not eat food. Plants make their own food from things they get from the environment.

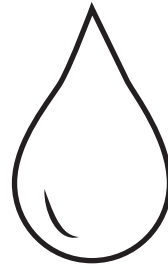
sun

water

wind



sun



water



wind