

## TEKS

- 4A** Compare and contrast prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells
- 8A** Define taxonomy and recognize the importance of a standardized taxonomic system to the scientific community
- 8B** Categorize organisms using a hierarchical classification system based on similarities and differences shared among groups
- 8C** Compare characteristics of taxonomic groups, including archaea, bacteria, protists, fungi, plants, and animals

## instructional content:

- ✦ Linnaean System of Classification
  - Taxonomy
  - Binomial nomenclature
  - Hierarchy
- ✦ Evolutionary Classification
  - Cladistics
  - Interpreting cladograms
- ✦ Domains and Kingdoms
  - Bacteria
    - Eubacteria
  - Archaea
    - Archaeobacteria
  - Eukarya
    - Protista
    - Fungi
    - Plantae
    - Animalia

## learning outcomes students will:

- Use all content and scientific process skills learned earlier in the course
- Recognize taxonomy as the science of naming and classifying organisms
- Describe the principles and importance of scientific classification and its limitations
- Name each taxon in the Linnaean system of classification from most general to most specific
- Explain how binomial nomenclature is used in classification
- Explain the limitations of using common names to identify organisms
- Use a dichotomous key to identify a named organism
- Interpret the main features of a cladogram
- Construct a cladogram using phenotypic data
- Interpret evolutionary relationships using a cladogram
- List the characteristics that distinguish the three domains
- Identify the major characteristics used to classify each kingdom



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### instructional resources:

[Concepts of Classification Lab Activity 367312](#)

[Easy Tree Key: Dichotomous Tree Identification Kit 6730819](#)

[Interactive Whiteboard Science Lesson CD: Six Kingdoms of Life 745176](#)

[Ward's Constructing a Dichotomous Key Lab Activity 366215](#)