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Use the terms from the word banks above the paragraphs to fill in the blanks. After you complete each section, follow the instructions you filled out and color the diagrams on the other page. Use colored pencils, and check off each box \square as you finish that part of the instructions. You can also use Chapter 2, Section 1 to help you.
alive characteristics dead
All living things share common So, if something is not (non-living), it is
referred to as being alive. Color the title BEING ALIVE in black \Box . We will be comparing two things that we know
are (a rabbit and a plant) with something we know is not alive (a rock). In the center of the diagram, color RABBIT and the rabbit brown \Box , PLANT and the plant green \Box , and ROCK and the rock gray \Box .
fast flowers movement running
Color the title MOVEMENT in orange □. If you see a rabbit using energy by around, you
know it is alive. Color the rabbit brown \square . We would not expect to see a rock moving at all, unless gravity is
pulling it down a hill. Don't color the rock, because it doesn't use energy, so it has no
Plants can use the energy they get from the sun and actually move (slowly) like when their
open or close. Plants don't move at all, unless they are in a silly horror movie. Color the plant
green □.
functions identical organization roots
Color the title ORGANIZATION in orange □. Things that are alive tend to be complex, organized, and have
(jobs). For example, all plants have to get nutrients from the soil. Color the plant green; the
flower can be any color you want □. When you look at a rock, you can see that it is made of smaller crystals, but
these are all jumbled up in a random order. Because a rock has no, do not color it.
cold heat homeostasis water
Color the title HOMEOSTASIS in orange \Box . Homeostasis is the ability for living things to keep conditions like
body temperature the same. Rabbits do this by raising their ears up when it is hot, allowing the
from their body to escape so they can cool off. When they are, rabbits keep their ears close to
their body to stay warm and not lose energy. Color both of the rabbit pictures brown \Box . Plants can do something
similar. When it is hot, they use things called guard cells to close tiny holes (stomata) in their leaves to keep from
losing, so they don't dry out. Color both of the plant pictures (and the leaf close-ups) green
\square . Rocks cannot control their temperature at all, because they do not use energy. Because a rock does not
have the ability of, do not color it.

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	alive	energy	plants	Sun		$\overline{}$
Color the title ENERGY UT	ILIZATION in oran	<i>ge</i> □. This	section de	scribes ho	w living things use energy.	The
source of light and heat end	ergy for our planet	is the Sun .	Color SU	N and the	Sun yellow \square . Plants use	the
energy from the	to make fo	ood for then	nselves thr	ough a pro	ocess called photosynthesi	s. This
food helps to keep the plan	t alive, and helps th	ne plant to r	make more	leaves, flo	owers, roots, etc. Color the	plant
green; the flower can be ar	ıy color you want □	. Any rabb	it that wan	ts to stay ₋	will eat ¡	plants.
The body of the rabbit turns	s the	it eats	into energ	y so it car	n run around, grow new fur,	and
other things. Color the hun	gry rabbit brown □	. When the	e sun shine	es on a roc	k, the rock does get warm,	but the
rock does nothing with this	energy. It does no	t move arou	und, grow r	new parts,	or make food. Because a	rock
does not use	, do not color	it.				
	juvenile rabbit	s plant.	s repro	oduction	rocks	
Color the title REPRODUC	TION in orange □.	Anything t	hat is alive	uses ene	rgy to reproduce to make m	ore of its
kind. A male and a female	rabbit make baby _		C	olor the tw	ro adult rabbits brown □.	-or
animals, young ones are ca	alled juveniles. Yur	o, you are a		·	Color JUVENILE and all th	iose
baby rabbits brown □. Wh	en plants reproduc	e, more		are	made. Color the two large	plants
green; the flowers can be a	ny color you want	□. Plants p	oroduce se	eds, which	n then grow into baby plants	s called
seedlings. Color SEED, SE	EEDLING, and the	baby plant	parts greer	ı □. Rock	s, however, do not reprodu	ce.
There are not male and fen	nale rocks. Even if	you put the	em togethe	r and play	romantic music, you will no	ot get
baby E	Because a rock doe	es not go the	rough		, do not color it.	
	bigger	· plant	rabbit	small		
Color the title GROWTH AI	- ND DEVELOPMEN	IT in orange	. Anyth	ing that is	alive grows bigger at some	point in
its life. Even things that are	made from only o	ne cell had	to start		Animals and plants	that are
made from multiple cells—I	ike you-grow fron	n a single fe	ertilized egg	g. In anim	als, this fertilized egg is cal	led an
ovum. Color OVUM and th	e ovum (A2) browr	n, as they w	ill eventual	ly become	a full-sized	□.
The cells of the ovum use e	energy to divide and	d multiply, a	ınd change	into differ	ent kinds of cells to form tis	sues
and organs within the unbo	rn rabbit. At this st	age, the ov	um has tur	ned into a	n embryo. <i>Color EMBRYO</i>	and the
embryo (A3) brown, as the	y will grow to be a t	full-sized ra	<i>bbit</i> □. Or	nce the rab	bit has all of its tissues and	d organs
formed, it is born. Color the	e juvenile rabbit (A	1) brown □	. Plants fo	llow a sim	ilar process. The fertilized	egg in
plants is called an ovule. C	Color OVULE and the	he ovule (B	3) green □	. The cell	s in the ovule use energy to	divide
and multiply, becoming larg	ger and turning into	a seed. T	he seed ha	s enough	specialized cells in it that, i	f planted,
it can grow into a	Color th	ne seed (B1) green \square .	Under th	ne right conditions, the seed	lliw b
grow even more cells, turni	ng into a seedling.	On a seed	ling, you ca	an find lea	ves, stem, and roots, just lil	ke for an
adult plant. Color the seed	lings (B2) green □	. Rocks do	not grow,	or contain	cells that divide and multip	ly, or get
		_	_	_	d development, do not colo	r it.
Practice: 14 points adapted	from The Biology Co	loring Book	(1986) by Ro	obert D. Gri	ffin	

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