Year 5 – Living Things and their Habitats

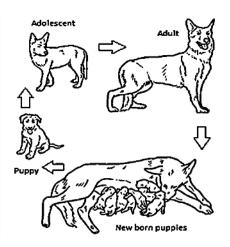
Language for Learning

Through the activities in this topic, pupils should **understand and use key scientific words precisely** - spelling these words correctly. This includes - words with precise scientific meanings (e.g. weight and mass), words with different meanings in scientific and everyday contexts (e.g. drag) and words relating to scientific enquiry (e.g. variable).

Key Scientific Words	
Key Word	Definition (Meaning)
Organism	A living thing.
Life Cycle	The sequence of stages that a living thing goes through during its life.
Mammal	A type of living thing that has hair and produces milk to feed its young. A dog is an example of a mammal.
Amphibian	A type of living thing with moist skin that spends part of its life in water and part of its life on land. A frog is an example of an amphibian.
Insect	A type of living thing with three pairs of legs. A fly is an example of an insect.
Bird	A type of living thing with feathers. A Parrot is an example of a bird.
Offspring	New organisms produced during reproduction.
Parent	An organism that has had offspring.
Reproduction	Producing new organisms.

Key Concepts

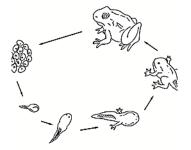
A **life-cycle** is the sequence of stages that a living thing goes through during its life. The life cycle of a Dog (a **Mammal**) is shown below:



Other types of living things can have different or more complicated life cycles. The life cycle of a Frog (an **Amphibian**) is shown below. In this topic, you will also study the life cycles of an **Insect** and a **Bird**.

A **Frog** lays eggs that become **tadpoles**. Tadpoles have **gills** and live in water. As they grow they develop **lungs** and grow legs to become **froglets**.

Froglets grow into **Adult Frogs**.



Life cycles include **reproduction**. During reproduction, a living thing produces **new organisms**.

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