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These are some common misunderstandings about fire. They acknowledge that children have made reasonable sense of the ideas based on their experience and should be validated as such. Keep them in mind while teaching and address them as they come up. Materials like wood or paper disappear. House fires are fuelled by the things we have in our houses or furnishings. Rights: New Zealand Fire ServiceIn combustion, students frequently believe materials like wood or paper are just used up and disappear. In their view, air (oxygen in the air) has little to do with burning. In fact, the wood or paper react with oxygen to form compounds such as water and carbon dioxide, but these compounds are colourless gases so cannot be seen. The energy and mass from the original materials are conserved they're changed, not disappeared. Charcoal (carbon) appears from the burning rather than the material. In material, carbon (carbon) appears from the burning rather than the material. After the fire has been burning for a while, most of the hydrocarbons have been released (burned) so that all that is left is charcoal, which is almost pure carbon with some minerals. Fire is alive. Students often view fire as alive rather than the visible evidence of an energy change in a chemical reaction. We support this by using words like feeding the fire watch it die, watch it grow. One way of remembering the scientific definition of living things is to remember MRS C GREN. The letters stand for things that are relevant to living things: Movement, Respiration, Sensitivity, Circulation, Growth, Reproduction, Excretion, Nutrition. (Fire fits all parts of this description except fire does not have a circulation system moving substances to and from cells. Chemical change is something being added. Students often see chemical changes as something being added (for example, carbon dioxide and water being added in the process) rather than the chemical change being interactive (for example, volatile gases interacting with oxygen to produce different products not added products such as carbon dioxide and water). Heat is a substance or a measure of hotness. Students often see heat as a substance or as a measure of hotness, rather than the flow of energy from a warm object to a cooler one. Heat could be perceived as a substance because students believe something has been added to a material. Heat is perceived as a measure of hotness because we often use heat as an everyday word to mean something warm or hot. This has a great deal of heat in it. Heat is not energy. Students will often not regard heat as energy. They perceive heat more as a measure of hotness or a substance (see above), rather than the result of the movement of tiny particles called atoms, molecules or ions in solids, liquids and gases. Heat only travels upwards. Students often say that heat only travels upwards. This is probably because they often hear the phrase heat rises. It does go up through convection currents, but can travel anywhere through conduction and radiation as well. See Heat energy. Heat and temperature mean the same thing. To students, heat and temperature often mean the same thing. Heat is the transfer of energy between two objects or substances of different temperatures (the flow going from the hotter object to the cooler one). Temperature is the measure of particle movement or kinetic energy of the object, which determines the degree of how hot or cold an object is. Temperatures of objects depend on their size. Students often think temperatures of objects depend on their size. Temperature does not depend on the amount of material there is. Both a very small and very large object could be the same temperature (have similar particle movement in them), but the large object would have much more heat energy than the small object. This is because the large object has a lot more matter and therefore has a lot more tiny particles moving or vibrating than the smaller object. Smoke is part of the wood released when the wood burns. Students often think smoke is part of the wood that is somehow released when the wood burns, rather than unburnt particles of carbon and gases produced by the burning process. Smoke is harmless. Some students have the concept that smoke is harmless. It's actually very dangerous. 75% of people who die in fires die from the smoke, not the flames. This is due both to the toxic gases and particles in smoke that are inhaled and to the invisibility of smoke that stops people from seeing their way out of a fire. Furniture will protect you from a fire. Children have been found hiding under beds during a fire, believing the bed will protect them. All furniture, including beds, is fuel for fires that help increase the speed and intensity of a fire. Published: 18 November 2009In order for something to be considered 'living', it must fulfil specific criteria that are true of all living organisms. These criteria can be remembered using the acronym MRS C GREN, which stands for: Movement, Respiration, Sensitivity, Control, Growth, Reproduction, Excretion, Nutrition. If something does not carry out all of these life processes, it is either dead or non-living. Viruses are a good example of non-living particles/agents. Organisms must obtain food to provide energy. Energy is necessary to carry out life processes e.g. movement, respiration and excretion. Plants use sunlight, carbon dioxide and water to produce oxygen and glucose in the process of photosynthesis. Because plants create their own food for energy, they are described as being autotrophic. Animals consume other living organisms in order to obtain the energy they require. They break down larger complex molecules into simpler molecules through the process of digestion. Animals obtain their food from a range of different sources, they are described as being heterotrophic. Use this image. Autotrophs make their own food whereas heterotrophs obtain it from a range of food sources. Sometimes understanding the origin of a word can help us to remember the meaning, for example: Autotroph comes from 'auto' = 'self', 'trophic' = 'feeding'. Heterotroph comes from 'hetero' = 'different', 'trophic' = 'feeding'. Respiration is a chemical reaction carried out in all living organisms. Energy is released from glucose either in the presence of oxygen (aerobic respiration) or the absence of oxygen (anaerobic respiration). The reactions ultimately result in the production of carbon dioxide and water as waste products. Energy is transferred in the form of ATP. Use this image. The equation for aerobic respiration: Make sure not to confuse respiration with gas exchange. Gas exchange involves getting oxygen into the cells and carbon dioxide out. Respiration uses the oxygen supplied from gas exchange to release energy in the form of ATP. Chemical reactions that take place inside living cells are described as metabolic reactions. Metabolic reactions produce waste products, some of which may be toxic. These toxic products must be eliminated from the body. Excretion is the removal of toxic materials and substances from organisms. Waste products excreted by animals include: Carbon dioxide from respiration, Water from respiration and other chemical reactions, Urea which contains nitrogen resulting from the breakdown of proteins. Use this image. Excretion in humans, the waste products and organs involved. Excretion in plants. Waste products excreted by plants include: Oxygen from photosynthesis, Carbon dioxide from respiration, Water from respiration and other chemical reactions. Use this image. Excretion in plants, the waste products and the difference between day and night. Excretion is often confused with egestion. Remember that the waste products removed through excretion have originated from chemical reactions in the cells. However, the waste products produced in egestion are in the form of faeces and originate from the remains of the substances not absorbed during digestion. The sensitivity of an organism refers to its ability to detect and respond to stimuli in its surroundings. Responding to the environment around them gives an organism the best chances of survival. In humans, the nervous system provides a complex system of receptors, neurones and effectors which detect and respond to different stimuli using electrical impulses. The endocrine system also allows a response to stimuli using chemical messengers, which travel in the blood, called hormones. Use this image. The nervous system and endocrine system allow humans to respond to their environment. Sensitivity responses in plants. In plants, responses are controlled by chemicals and are usually much slower. Geotropism describes a plant's response to gravity which causes the roots to grow down into the soil. Phototropism describes a plant's response to light which causes shoots to grow towards sunlight. Use this image. Phototropism and geotropism allow plants to respond to their environment. Movement is an action by an organism causing a change of position or place. The movement of an organism from place to place is called locomotion. Plants cannot move from place to place but can change their orientation. For example, sunflowers track the sun and so change their orientation throughout the day. Use this image. Sunflowers track the sun throughout the day. Living organisms must control their internal environment in order to keep conditions within required limits. This is called homeostasis. Thermoregulation refers to the control of body temperature. The optimum human body temperature is 37°C. Body temperature increases e.g. during exercise, mechanisms for control will be initiated to return the temperature back to the optimum. Mechanisms include sweating or vasodilation. Other homeostatic mechanisms in humans include glucose regulation (control of blood glucose levels) and osmoregulation (control of water levels). Use this image. Thermoregulation is an example of homeostasis required to maintain a body temperature of 37°C. Homeostasis in plants. Plants use transpiration to maintain a suitable temperature. Water evaporates from the stomata on the underside of the leaf, leading to heat loss. Use this image. Plants maintain an optimum temperature through transpiration. Reproduction is the process that leads to the production of more of the same kind of organism. Reproduction is fundamental to the survival of a population and ultimately, the species. There are different types of reproduction: sexual and asexual. In this type of reproduction, the male and female gametes fuse together. In humans, the male gamete is the sperm and the female gamete is the egg. In plants, the male gamete is in the pollen grains and the female gamete is the ovule. The DNA of the offspring is composed of both maternal and paternal DNA. Sexual reproduction involves the fusing of two gametes to form a zygote that contains DNA from both parents. Asexual reproduction. Cells or whole organisms can also reproduce using asexual reproduction. Mitosis is an example of asexual reproduction. There is only one parent involved so an exact clone is produced. The DNA of offspring is identical to the parent DNA. Plants can reproduce asexually through runners, budding or gemmation. Single-celled organisms such as bacteria or amoeba reproduce asexually. Bacteria create exact copies of the parent cell. Growth is defined as a permanent increase in size. In animals, an individual grows larger between the zygote and adult stage with changes in proportion or shape. In plants, an individual grows larger throughout their whole life with new shoots, leaves, branches etc. forming year after year. Did this page help you? Living things display certain characteristics that may be absent from material objects. MRS GREN is an acronym often used to help remember all the necessary features of living organisms: Movement, Respiration, Sensitivity, Growth, Reproduction, Excretion and Nutrition. MOVEMENTThe first letter of MRS GREN stands for movement. Although some organisms are pretty much immobile they will always have some level of self-powered movement, be it their entire body or particular body parts. 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We thought it wouldn't grow but then half a year later Mrs C Gren started showing. First of all, We saw it Growing, it was became into a young tree (Growth). This is a special tree because at night its leaves close just like a flower (Sensitivity and Movement). It hasn't made any offsprings yet but it is still a young tree but our bean plant has made seeds (Reproduction). It probably started doing Respiration but I don't really see it that much, but our orange tree has made oranges which give us sugars (Respiration). When we water the tree, the water disappears which means the tree's root hairs take it in which means it circulates the water in it's veins (Circulation). I am not sure if the tree does Excretion or not but I don't really know how they do it either but I am sure they do it somehow (Excretion). My orange tree has produced oranges somehow, which means it did Photosynthesis. This means it used the foods needed for Photosynthesis (Nutrition). MRS GREN stands for: Movement, Respiration, Sensitivity, Growth, Reproduction, Excretion and Nutrition. What does the C mean in Mrs C Gren? MRS GREN is an acronym often used to help remember all the necessary features of living organisms: Movement, Respiration, Sensitivity, Growth, Reproduction, Excretion and Nutrition. What are the seven life processes Mrs Gren? There are seven essential processes in common: movement, respiration, sensitivity, growth, reproduction, excretion and nutrition or MRS GREN. How do I remember Mrs Gren? The phrase MRS GREN is one way to remember them: Movement: all living things move, even plants. Respiration: getting energy from food. Sensitivity: detecting changes in the surroundings. Growth: all living things grow. Reproduction: making more living things of the same type. Excretion: getting rid of waste. Why is Mrs Gren movement important? Movement is evolutionarily important for organisms because it improves the chances of catching food or avoiding capture for both predator and prey. Organisms that arent able to move freely will usually have strong defences against predation or prolific reproduction. How do you remember the 7 characteristics of life? For example, a really common mnemonic device used in biology is MRS GREN. This acronym is used to help us remember the 7 characteristics of life (Movement, Respiration, Sensitivity, Growth, Reproduction, Excretion, Nutrition). What does Mrs NERG stand for? To help us remember them we have found a friend to remind you Mrs Nerg. Although her name sounds a bit strange, the letters in it stand for the life processes: movement, reproduction, sensitivity, nutrition, excretion, respiration and growth. What does M in Mrs NERG stand for? Although her name sounds a bit strange, the letters in it stand for the life processes: movement, reproduction, sensitivity, nutrition, excretion, respiration and growth. What does every living thing do? All living organisms share several key characteristics or functions: order, sensitivity or response to the environment, reproduction, adaptation, growth and development, homeostasis, energy processing, and evolution. What does Mr Gren stand for? What does MR GREN stand for? Movement, Reproduction, Growth, Response. What does Mrs Gren stand for in science? MRS GREN stands for Movement; Respiration; Sensitivity; Growth; Reproduction; Excretion; Nutrition (seven characteristics of life) Suggest new definition. This definition appears rarely and is found in the following Acronym Finder categories: Science, medicine, engineering, etc. Which is a by-product of the process of respiration? Respiration is the conversion of energy from carbohydrates and fats into energy that can be used by cells. In multi-cellular organisms, respiration is built around the breakdown of sugars with the use of oxygen. This produces carbon dioxide as a by-product. How does respiration take place in a living organism? Respiration, when it comes to living organisms, refers to the conversion of energy from macromolecules into energy that can be used by cells. The respiratory system differs depending on whether the body is a multi-cellular organism or a microorganism. In multi-cellular organisms, respiration is possible through the breakdown of sugar with oxygen. Where are the Mrs C Gren flashcards located? 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