

# Glossary

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life cycle	The journey of changes that take place throughout the life of a living thing including birth, growing up and reproduction.
reproduction	The process of new living things being made.
sexual	Two parents are needed to make offspring which
asexual	One parent is needed to create an offspring, which is an exact copy of the parent.
mammal	An animal that breathes air, has a backbone, and grows hair at some point during its life.
amphibian	A cold-blooded vertebrate that spends some time on land but must breed and develop
insect	Creatures that have bodies with three segments that are protected by a hard shell.
pollination	The transfer of pollen to a stigma to allow fertilisation.
metamorphosis	An abrupt and obvious change in the structure of
fertilise	The action of fusing the male
gestation	The length of a pregnancy.
vertebrate	An animal with a backbone.
invertebrate	An animal without a backbone.

