



Science Vocabulary Progression

EYFS

Animals Including Humans

face, hair, leg, human, knee, animal, arm, fish, elbow, birds, back, head, toes, ear,
hands, eye, fingers, mouth, nose, life cycle

Plants

Tree, petals, trunk, fruit, branch, roots, leaves, flowers, seed

Materials

Material, metal, wood, rock, plastic, hard, glass, soft, paper, fabric, material, smooth,
shiny, rough, freeze, melt, change, push, pull,

Seasonal Changes

Summer, day, Spring, dark, Autumn, light, Winter, night, Season, Moon, Sun, lighter,
darker, shadow,

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Year One

Animals Including Humans

Fish, Reptiles, Mammals, Birds, Amphibians (+ examples of each) Herbivore, Omnivore, Carnivore, Leg, Arm, Elbow, Head, Ear, Nose, Back, Wings, Beak

Plants

Deciduous, Evergreen, Tree, Leaves, Flowers (blossom), Petals, Fruit, Roots, Bulb, Seed, Trunk, Branches, Stem, Oak, Holly, Willow, Birch, Chestnut, Conker, Daisy, Buttercup, Rose, Daffodil, fruit Materials

Wood, Plastic, Glass, Paper, Water, Metal, Rock, Hard, Soft, Bendy, Rough, Smooth

Seasonal Changes

Summer, Spring, Autumn, Winter, Sun, Day, Moon, Night, Light, Dark

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What...? How? Why ...? similar different best and worst change plan look biggest and smallest compare sort and group

Year Two

Animals Including Humans

Survival, Water, Air, Food, Adult, Baby, Offspring, Kitten, Calf, Puppy, Exercise, Hygiene

Living things and their habitats

Living, Dead, Habitat, Energy, Food chain, Predator, Prey, Woodland, Pond, Desert

Plants

Seeds, Bulbs, Water, Light, Suitable temperature, Grow, Healthy, Germinate, Decompose

Materials

Hard, Soft, Stretchy, Stiff, Shiny, Dull, Rough, Smooth, Bendy, Waterproof, Absorbent, Opaque, Transparent Brick, Paper, Fabrics, Squashing, Bending, Twisting, Stretching Elastic, Foil

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observe change slowly quickly describe name identify label record measure bigger and smaller pattern notice cycle predict