



Characteris-CHECK!

Name: _____

Score: _____

Directions: Check all the characteristics of a living thing that are observable on the things listed in the first column. Please answer the guide questions after answering the table.

Things / objects	Characteristics						
	<i>Can grow and develop</i>	<i>Can reproduce</i>	<i>Can move</i>	<i>Responds to stimuli/ environme nt</i>	<i>Can breathe/ respire</i>	<i>Excretes waste</i>	<i>Takes nutrients</i>
Electric fan							
Frog							
Ant							
Apple tree							
Robot							
Clock							
Dog							
Car							
Book							
Elephant							

Guide questions:

1. Can nonliving things exhibit some of the characteristics of living things?
2. Can nonliving things exhibit all of the characteristics of living things?
3. Why are the electric fan, robot, clock, and car not considered as living things even though they have the ability to move?