


# DICHOTOMOUS KEY TEMPLATE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Topic / Organisms: \_\_\_\_\_

 **WHAT IS A DICHOTOMOUS KEY?**  
A tool used to identify things by answering a series of yes/no questions.


**HOW TO USE**

<b>1</b> Start at 1. ↓	<b>2</b> Choose the option that matches. ✓	<b>3</b> Follow the arrow to the next number. →	<b>4</b> Continue until you reach an identification. ★
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## QUESTIONS

## IDENTIFICATION (RESULTS)

<b>1</b>	Question / Characteristic: _____ <b>Yes</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	→	Identification: _____ Name / Organism: _____
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<b>2</b>	Question / Characteristic: _____ <b>Yes</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	→	Identification: _____ Name / Organism: _____
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<b>3</b>	Question / Characteristic: _____ <b>Yes</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	→	Identification: _____ Name / Organism: _____
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<b>4</b>	Question / Characteristic: _____ <b>Yes</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	→	Identification: _____ Name / Organism: _____
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<b>5</b>	Question / Characteristic: _____ <b>Yes</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> Go to: <input type="checkbox"/>	→	Identification: _____ Name / Organism: _____


 **OBSERVATIONS / NOTES**

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