**Characteristics of Living Things Comic Strip**

Your task is to make a creative comic to identify, illustrate and highlight the characteristics shared by all living things. To do this you must select a real species and use it to tell a story in which all of the features of living things are shown. As always, color, creativity, and fun should be part of your product.

**Must have(s):**

* Comics may be one panel of multi-panel design.
* identify each characteristic, ***as part of a caption*** or the dialog in a speech bubble so there is no confusion.
* Size and format are flexible - just be sure you use the space you choose to work with and make a well finished and appealing product.
* Creativity and color are a must.
* Integrate a story line in speech bubbles or captions to explain the action step by step.
* Your species (animal or plant) in some fashion so they can talk and ***justify*** their position of living or non-living.
* Tell a story and make it fun! *Keep it "school appropriate*".
* Include all 8 characteristics

**The Characteristics of Living Things Comic Strip - Scoring Rubric**

It is highly recommended that you check off each step of the rubric below once you have planned it out and completed it to be sure you have included all of the required parts. I provided a blank line following each description for you to do so. ***Follow the rubric!***

**Each of the 8 characteristics of living things is included and referenced in the dialog in captions or speech bubbles. They are appropriately displayed and correctly used as part of the story line.**

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|  | Evident (10 Points) | Not Evident |
| Living things are made out of cells. |  |  |
| Living things adapt through evolution. |  |  |
| Living things respond to stimuli (sense and respond). |  |  |
| Living things reproduce. |  |  |
| Living things maintain homeostasis |  |  |
| Living things have DNA. |  |  |
| Living things use energy. |  |  |
| Living things grow and develop. |  |  |
| Comic strip is be one panel of multi-panel design. (creative/colorful) |  |  |
| Story in speech bubbles or captions to explain the action step by step. (min 8 total) |  |  |
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Final Score: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_