Lesson 6

Sorting Irish animals by their features

Living Things

Words to use

Feature · Sort · Sorting rule · Group

Our question

How can we sort animals into groups by what we can see on them?

How to fill in the table

At the top of a column, write the rule you sorted by, such as legs or no legs. Then, beside each animal, write the group it went into, such as legs.

Our two sorts

Animal	First sort. Our rule:	Second sort. Our rule:
robin		
frog		
hedgehog		
snail		
salmon		
bee		

Which animal moved to a different group in your second sort? Why did it move?

Finish the sentence: Our second rule was useful because

The new cards: circle the animal that was hardest to put in a group


fox


bat


heron


spider


earthworm


grey seal

Why was it hard to put in a group?

What was the other group's secret rule? Did you guess it?