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### Part 1: Building a Foundation

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#### Which of the following is a characteristic of living things?

*Hint: Think about what distinguishes living organisms from nonliving things.*

- They do not grow
- They can reproduce
- They do not respond to stimuli
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#### Which of the following is a characteristic of living things?

*Hint: Think about the fundamental traits of living organisms.*

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*Hint: Think about the traits that define life.*

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## Part 2: Understanding and Interpretation

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- Erosion
- WeatherING
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### **Part 3: Application and Analysis**

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**Describe a real-world scenario where a living thing depends on a nonliving thing for survival.**

*Hint: Think about the basic needs of living organisms.*

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*Hint: Think about the essential resources that living organisms need.*

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*Hint: Think about the relationships in your local environment.*

## Part 4: Evaluation and Creation

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*Hint: Think about what is essential for all living organisms.*

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*Hint: Consider how nonliving things support living organisms.*

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*Hint: Think about how to help organisms adapt to environmental changes.*