

# Classification

## Binomial Nomenclature:

- Gives an organism of a specific species a two part name:
  - Genus species      EX) Homo sapien      EX) Quercus alba
  - Rules:
    1. First letter of Genus Capitalized, everything else lower case
    2. Italicized if in print, underlined if hand written

## Taxonomy – Identifying, Naming and Classifying based on natural relationships

- Group of organisms are called a Taxon (pl. TAXA)
- Eight (8) Taxa – listed from least specific to most specific
  1. Domain (Bacteria, Archaea, Eukarya)
  2. Kingdom (Eubacteria, Archaeabacteria, Protista, Fungi, Plantae, Animalia)
  3. Phylum (Bacteria, Animals, Protists) or Division (Fungi or Plants)
  4. Class
  5. Order
  6. Family
  7. Genus
  8. Species

## Three ways to group organisms:

### 1. Typological – Aristotle and Linnaeus

- Separation based on physical Characteristics
- Limited due to variation in species    EX) Human Races or Butterfly Spots

### 2. Biological – Dobzhansky and Mayr 1930s

- species is a group of organisms that can breed with each other and produce fertile offspring
- most often used but has limitations EX) Dogs and Wolves and Asexual Reproducers

### 3. Phylogenetic – 1940s

- A species is a cluster of organisms that is distinct from other clusters and shows evidence of a pattern of ancestry and descent.
- Limited because not all ancestry is known

Create a Phylogenetic Tree (Cladogram) for the Main Branches of life: (p497)

# Kingdom Characteristics

Domain	Bacteria	Archaea	Eukarya		
Kingdom					
Example					
Cell Type					
Cell Walls					
Number of Cells (uni/multi)					
Energy Acquisition (Auto/Hetero)					
Habitat					