## What Is a Category?

A category is the name or the description of a group of things that belong together. Plants and animals are two examples of categories.


Each thing in a category is a member of that category. It belongs to that category. Circle each member of the food category.


Most things can belong to more than one category.
For example, milk is a member of each category below.
dairy products
beverages
liquids
white things
things in a carton
good source of calcium
things that need to be kept cold natural foods
goes with cereal for breakfast
things you buy at a grocery store


## Subcategories (2)

Cut these transportation pictures apart. Then see how many different ways you can sort them into different subcategories of transportation.


Spotlight on Vocabulary

## Naming Categories (3)

Choose the correct category name from the box for each group of words. Write your answers in the blanks.


1. calf, ducklings, chicks
2. winter, spring, summer
3. New York, Los Angeles, Chicago
4. north, south, west
5. child, man, woman $\qquad$
6. milk, orange juice, root beer
7. red, blue, yellow
8. oval, hexagon, square

## Category Game

Find a partner and play this game. To advance one space, name three members of the category in the space. If your answer is wrong, stay on your space until your next turn. The first player to reach the last space and name three category members wins.
zoo animals

