

Title: Sorting Station **Grade**: PK-1

Overview: Pictures of plants, animals, fungi, and rocks slide down the chute into the Sorting Station where students sort them into friendly bins. Students hear the names of pictures when they are clicked. When pictures are sorted correctly in the Question and Answer Mode, students are rewarded with humorous animations.

My Learning Objectives:

Sort animals and plants by attributes Sort animals and plants by scientific classification

DISCOVER MODE

- 1. Click the blue sorting bin icon to enter the Sorting Station from the Main Room.
- 2. Pictures slide out of the chute for you to sort, and the category for each bin is identified.
- 3. Click a bin for help in sorting. The pictures that belong in the bin twinkle.
- 4. Click a button to choose the number of bins.
- 5. Click a sign to hear a reminder of what belongs in the bin; for example, Fish.
- 6. Click a picture to hear its name; for example, Snail.
- 7. Sort the pictures by dragging them into the bins. Sometimes a picture can be placed in more than one bin.
- 8. Click the pedal on the bin to see all of the pictures you have placed in that bin.
- 9. Click the lever on the chute for new categories and pictures to sort. Sort as long as you like.
- 10. Click the character in the picture frame for Question and Answer Mode, or click Sammy to return to the Main Room.

QUESTION AND ANSWER MODE

- 1. Click the character in the picture frame to enter Question and Answer Mode.
- 2. Serena, the squirrel, pulls the lever on the chute, and the categories are identified. Then, Serena asks you to help sort.
- 3. Click a button to choose the number of bins.
- 4. Sort all of the pictures by dragging each one to a bin. Click a sign if you need a reminder of what belongs in the bin.
 - When you put a picture in the correct bin, the bin smiles and thanks you.
 - If you try to put a picture into the wrong bin, you will hear a hint.
 - When the set of pictures is sorted correctly, the bins will celebrate!
- 5. Click the empty picture frame for Discover Mode, or click Sammy to return to the Main Room.