A.3.2 · Classification and cladistics

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Word	Example
classification /ˌklæsɪfɪˈkeɪʃn/	**Classification** sorts emails into spam and not spam.
binomial system /baɪˈnəʊmɪəl ˈsɪstəm/	In the **binomial system**, humans are called Homo sapiens: a two-part name. Homo sapiens
cladistics /klæˈdɪstɪks/	**Cladistics** groups living things by the ancestors they share.
shared derived character /ʃeəd dɪˈraɪvd ˈkærɪktə/	Hair is a **shared derived character** of all mammals.
cladogram /ˈklædəgræm/	A **cladogram** shows how groups of living things are related, like a family tree.

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