


# Science glossary

## Year 1

| Terms                   | Meaning   |
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| constructed environment | environment that is human made, for example cities with buildings, streets and bridges  |
| feature                 | a distinguishing characteristic or property   |
| field work              | observational research undertaken in the normal environment of the subject of the study    |
| managed environment     | an environment that is built, caused or controlled by humans  |
| moon                    | a natural satellite; a celestial body that orbits another body  |
| natural environment     | an environment which exists in or is produced by nature, without massive human intervention   |
| nocturnal               | animals that are most active during the night   |
| observable              | that which can be seen, heard, felt, tasted or smelled either directly by an individual or indirectly by a measuring device for example: a ruler, camera or thermometer  |
| planet                  | a mostly spherical celestial body that orbits a star in a path that it has cleared of other objects   |
| star                    | a very large ball of mostly hydrogen gas that produces large amounts of energy and light through nuclear fusion over an extended period of time   |
| sun                     | closest star to Earth   |
| weather                 | conditions in the atmosphere; including amount of sun, wind, rain, temperature  |