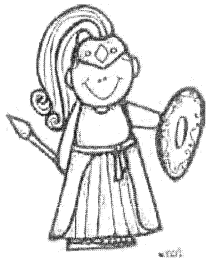


# UNIT 16: THE NATURE OF THE BEAST



Root Word	Meaning	Origin
anim	spirit, soul, life	Latin
carn	meat, flesh	Latin
phys	nature	Greek



## animal

(n) - a living thing that is not a human being or plant

*My friend, who believes that **animals** have souls, has become a vegan so she will only eat food that comes from plants.*

## animate

(v) - to make someone or something lively or excited; to make a drawing appear to move

*the cartoonist made several drawings to **animate** the hot air balloon so that it appeared to float away.*

## animator

(n) - a person who creates animated movies and cartoons

*I am always so impressed by how an **animator** can make a fictitious character move and act so realistically.*

## inanimate

(n) - not capable of life; nonliving things

*A chair is an example of an **inanimate** object.*

## carnivorous

(adj) - used to describe an animal that eats meat

*The **carnivorous** lion preys on the unsuspecting gazelles that are grazing in the open field.*

## reincarnate

(v) - to be born again with a different body after death

*Some religions believe that after your die, your soul will **reincarnate** with a different body.*

## physical

(adj) - relating to the body of a person instead of the mind; existing in a form that you can touch or see

*Lindsay could hardly feel the **physical** pain after her fall because she was so embarrassed that she tripped in front of her friends.*

## physician

(n) - a medical doctor

*The **physician** stitched up my wound and told me to rest for the evening.*

## physics

(n) - a science that deals with matter and energy and the way they interact with heat, light, electricity, and sound

*We are currently studying the laws of gravity in **physics**.*

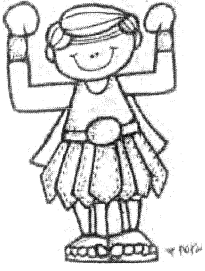
## physicist

(n) - a scientist who studies or is a specialist in physics

*Albert Einstein is one of the most accomplished **physicists** ever.*

## 16A: SENTENCE COMPLETION

DIRECTIONS: Complete the following sentences with the correct word from your list.  
Each word will be used only once.



animal  
animate  
animator  
inanimate  
carnivorous  
reincarnate  
physical  
physician  
physics  
physicist

1. Before digital downloads, when you purchased music you actually got a \_\_\_\_\_ cassette tape or compact disc.
2. It's important to not place too high a value on \_\_\_\_\_ objects such as homes and cars.
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ was studying how certain types of matter react to extreme temperatures.
4. The vet gave the wounded \_\_\_\_\_ some medication.
5. I want to be an \_\_\_\_\_ because I love to draw and I enjoy cartoons.
6. My favorite topic of \_\_\_\_\_ is electrical circuits.
7. Many artists \_\_\_\_\_ their characters using computers.
8. There are some who believe that you can be \_\_\_\_\_ as an animal in your next life.
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ prescribed antibiotics for my sick brother.
10. Polar bears are \_\_\_\_\_ animals because they eat fish and other marine life.

## 16B: YES or NO?

DIRECTIONS: Respond to the following statements by circling "Yes" or "No."

1. **Yes No** Rabbits are **carnivorous** animals.
2. **Yes No** A smile can **animate** a person's face.
3. **Yes No** A **physicist** studies cells and life cycles.
4. **Yes No** Plants are considered **animals**.
5. **Yes No** **Physician** is a synonym for doctor.
6. **Yes No** A toddler is an example of an **inanimate** object.
7. **Yes No** **Reincarnate** means to eat meat again.
8. **Yes No** **Physics** is the study of matter and energy.
9. **Yes No** **Animators** can make inanimate objects come to life.
10. **Yes No** An idea is a **physical** object.