Use this worksheet as a guide to help you research your chosen species. Learning more about the species you will be observing, before you begin, will help you better identify your plant or animal in the field. Once you know what your plant or animal looks like, in general, learn more about what each of the life cycle events, or phenophases look like as well. Share what you’ve learned with your classmates so everyone knows what species you are tracking throughout the year.

Plant name: ________________________________

Description of location (Is it in the sun or shade? Is it wild or planted? Is it watered regularly?): ________________________________

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Describe what it looks like, in general, or upload a photo. Tell us where is it located within your site. ________________________________

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Phenophase: Leaves. Does this plant have leaves? YES or NO

If so, what do the green leaves look like?

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When, or what time or year, can we expect to see leaves on this plant?

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Describe what the leaves look like, in general, or upload a photo.

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Phenophase: Open Flowers.
What do the open flowers look like?
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Is the open flower one flower or a cluster of flowers? ________________
When, or what time or year, can we expect to see flowers on this plant?
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Describe what the open flowers look like, in general, or upload a photo.
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Phenophase: Ripe fruit.
What does the ripe fruit look like?
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What color is the ripe fruit? How do you know it is ripe?
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When, or what time or year, can we expect to see flowers on this plant?
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Describe what the open flowers look like, in general, or upload a photo.
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What else would you like to share about your plant?
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