**The Characteristics of Life**

\*If you were to ask someone “What is life?” it would likely be a very difficult question to answer period it seems like a simple idea when you first think of it but once you get into the details you realize that there must be a lot to consider there. What characteristics define a life? today we're going to brainstorm a little bit about this and see if we can come up with some rules to live by as to what defines what life is. Use the chart below to record your findings.

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| **Characteristics** | **Plant** | **Paramecium** | **Human** |
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Now that you've done all this research and work on defining what “life” is it is time for you to come up with a personal definition. Please consider all the information you have put in the chart above to create your own personalized definition to answer the great question: “**What is life**?”

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