Name Period Date

Living Things Quiz Question

You will be making observations of a specimen. It may be a living thing, a once living thing, or a non-living thing. You will need to use your knowledge of the characteristics all living things share and the needs of living things to determine if the specimen is living, once living, or non-living. Use the sentence starters below to 1) state your position on whether it is living, once living, or non-living, and 2) defend your answer by citing 3 characteristics or needs of living things the specimen has and observations that led you to choose each of those 3 characteristics of needs. Use the pre-writing space to jot down what you know about the characteristics of living things and the needs of living things. You will refer back to the pre-writing to help you defend your answer.

**Pre-writing**

Characteristics of Living Things:

Needs of Living Things:

**1). The specimen is because….**