Chapter 18 Classification

Reviewing Key Concepts

Short Answer *On the lines provided, answer the following questions.*

- **1.** As biologists study the diversity of life, what two main tasks do they carry out?
- 2. On what two languages are scientific names based?
- **3.** According to the system of binomial nomenclature, how should the scientific name of a species be written?
- 4. Which part of the name *Homo erectus* identifies the genus?
- **5.** List in order from smallest to largest the seven categories in Linnaeus's system of classification.

Reviewing Key Skills

- **6. Applying Concepts** Give an example of an animal that has one scientific name but two or more common names. Name the common names.
- **7. Applying Concepts** How did binomial nomenclature avoid the problems of the first attempts at scientific naming?
- **8. Classifying** Describe a classification system that you would use to group various pets. Start with the group with the most individuals, and end with the group with the fewest individuals.
- **9. Classifying** Name the smallest taxon in Linnaeus's system of classification that contains fishes, lions, eagles, snakes, and frogs.