FLOPWING

PILIBÍN

LAPWING

HORNPIE

TEUCHIT

GREEN PLOVER

CURRACAG

PEEWIT

Vanellus vanellus

BACK-BONE "BIRD" "WADERS"

Animalia Chordata Aves Charadriiformes Charadriidae *Vanellus vanellus*

MITCHAMADOR

BILLY WITCH

MAY BUG

DOODLEBUG

SPANG BEETLE

COCKCHAFER BEETLE

Melolontha melolontha

Animalia Arthropoda Insecta Coleoptera Scrabaeidae *Melolontha melolontha*

"JOINTED-LEG" "SHEATH-WING"

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NAMING ANIMALS POSTER

This poster highlights the sorts of problems found when discussing animal and plant species. With so many different common names, how do we know we're talking about the same thing? In 1735, Carl Linnaeus came up with 'Linnaean classification' – a system where related species were grouped together. Through this he devised 'binomial naming', meaning 'two words'. This gives a Latin genus and species name, unique to that organism, that scientists can safely use to communicate with each other.

The poster also indicates the meaning of some of the words within the full taxonomical name of the animals, showing how organisms are grouped by certain characteristics.

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