



Inherited Traits and Learned Behaviors

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 3

Part A: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. A trait passed from parent to offspring is called an _____ trait.
2. A skill gained from practice or teaching is called a _____ behavior.
3. A bird's song can be partly inherited and partly _____ from older birds.
4. A plant that gets more sunlight and water may grow _____ than a plant that does not.
5. A person's skin may become _____ after spending time in the hot sun.
6. Eye color in humans is an example of an _____ trait from both parents.
7. Speaking a language well comes from teaching and practice, so it is a _____ behavior.
8. The _____ is the surroundings that can change how a trait shows up in a plant or animal.
9. Different puppies in the same _____ can have different colors and patterns.

Part B: Matching

Match each item on the left to the correct answer on the right.

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Eye color from parents	→ _____	Inherited trait
Riding a bike	→ _____	Learned behavior
Plant height with more water	→ _____	Environmental influence
A baby bird learning a song from adults	→ _____	Partly inherited and partly learned

Answer Key · Inherited Traits and Learned Behaviors · Grade: Grade 3

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A baby bird learning a song from adults	→ <u>Partly inherited and partly learned</u>	Partly inherited and partly learned