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UNIVERSALS AND PARTICULARS

Particulars:

In the philosophical tradition, it is common to call the individual things around us _____.

Universals:

- Forms, or essences of these things: Each is a form or essence, but each is applicable to more than one _____.
- Because the forms, or essences, are applicable to many, they're called _____.
- A _____ is a term applicable to more than one particular thing. One of the great questions of philosophy is whether universals _____ and how.

GENUS AND SPECIES (Terms of ancient _____)

- **Genus:** A genus is a _____ containing many kinds. [2 blanks]
- **Species:** A species is a more _____ within a genus.
- An example of a most specific category is the _____. Here, the species is not divisible into further kinds, but only into _____.
- The particulars within a _____ are simply called individuals.

Comprehension question: Give an example of a genus (ex. animals, plants, minerals) and list several species within that genus. Try to narrow one of the species down to a most specific category.