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What's New?

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Answer the following questions in complete sentences. You will be graded according to the distributed Weekly Science Article rubric.

1. How many species of living things have been discovered so far? How many species in total (including unknown species) do scientists believe that we share the planet with?

2. How many new species of reptiles and cockroaches were found between 2003 and 2005?

3. Which group of organisms has the highest number of known species?

4. In which type of environment are unknown species most likely to be discovered?

5. Which ocean-dwelling creature was found in 2006 on a deep-sea volcano in the South Pacific Ocean? (Provide the specific name)
