Darwin and the Theory of Evolution



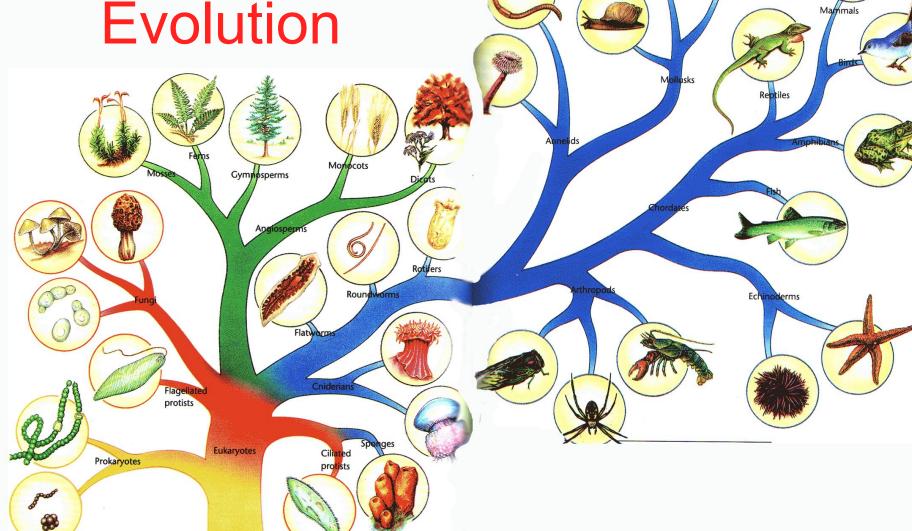
Learning Objectives

 Describe the pattern Darwin observed among organisms of the Galapagos islands

Why do we have a variety of life forms?

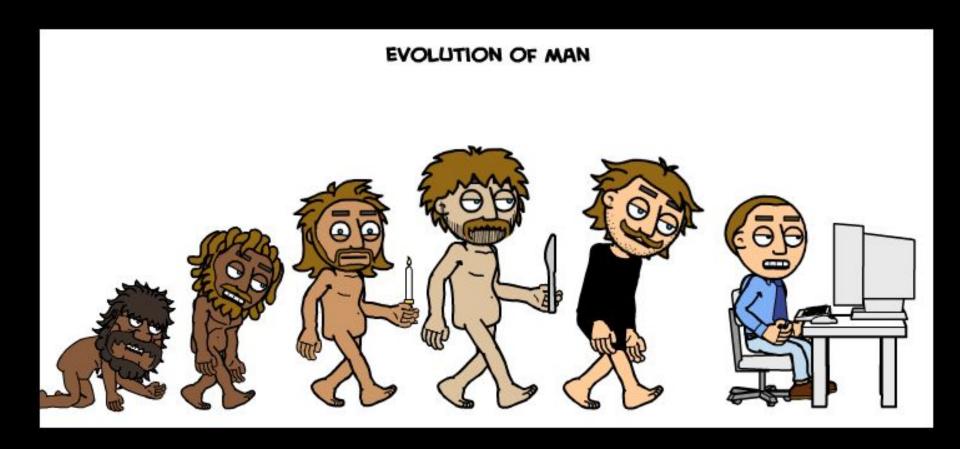


Theory of Evolution



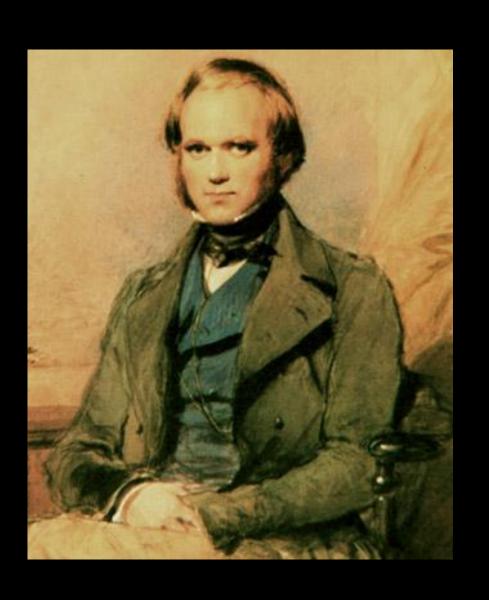
Tree of Life - Human Evolution





Evolution - Change over time

Charles Darwin

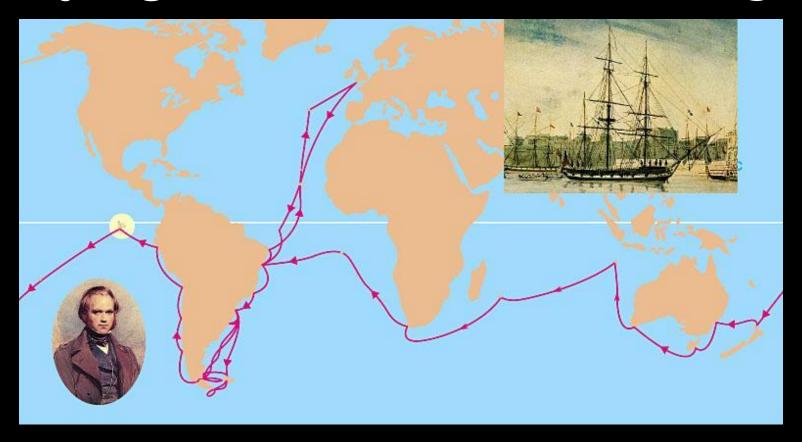


English Naturalist

 Traveled around the world on the HMS Beagle

 Observed many species and fossils

Voyage of the HMS Beagle



During his travels, Darwin made numerous observations and collected evidence that led him to propose the Theory of Evolution

Patterns of Diversity



Darwin noticed patterns of diversity amongst the plants and animals he observed during his travels.

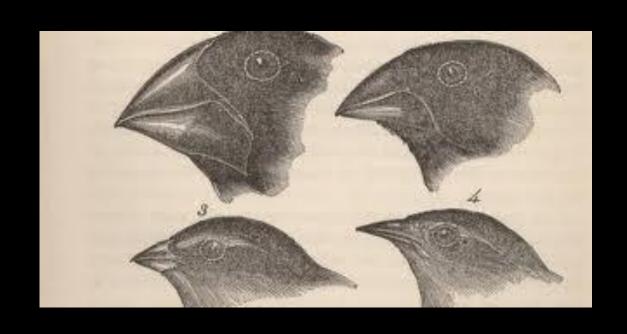
Adaptation to Environment

Darwin noticed that many plants and animals were well suited to the environment they inhabited.





Darwin's Finches





Darwin noticed small brown birds from different islands with differently shaped beaks

Fossils





Darwin collected fossils, the preserved remains of ancient organisms.

Intro to Evolution Frank Gregorio



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Darwin's Observations

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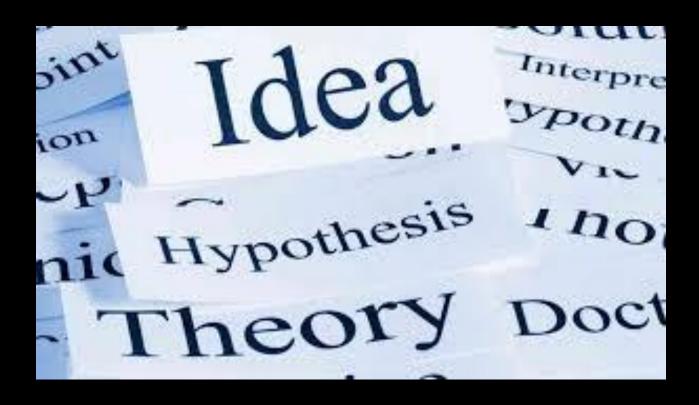


Isabela island tortoises had a short neck to reach lower vegetation



Hood island tortoises had a long neck to reach higher sparse vegetation

Theory



Theory - a well supported testable explanation of phenomena that have occurred in the natural world.