

Honors Biology – Unit 3 – Chapter 13  
"HOW POPULATIONS EVOLVE"

1. Jean-Baptiste de LaMarck: a desire to change, use and disuse, acquired traits
2. Charles Darwin: "On the Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection"
3. Darwin's finches: South America vs. Galapagos Islands
4. fitness: the ability of successfully reproduce and produce fertile offspring
5. Darwin's 5 steps of natural selection:
  - genetic variation
  - overproduction of offspring
  - fitness
  - genetic change
  - adaptation
6. examples of natural selection:
  - giraffes
  - finches
  - drug-resistant bacteria
  - pesticide-resistant insects
  - the peppered moth
7. evidence for evolution:
  - fossils and rock layers (principle of superposition)
  - homologous structures
  - vestigial organs
  - comparative embryology
  - molecular data
8. evolution WITHOUT natural selection
  - founder effect, bottleneck effect, artificial selection
9. directional selection vs. stabilizing selection vs. disruptive selection
10. Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium:  $p^2 + 2pq + q^2 = 1$

Honors Biology – Unit 3 – Chapter 14  
"THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES"

1. biological species concept
2. 5 reproductive (PRE-ZYGOTIC) barriers:
  - temporal isolation
  - habitat isolation
  - behavioral isolation
  - mechanical isolation
  - gametic isolation
3. 3 developmental (POST-ZYGOTIC) barriers:
  - reduced hybrid viability
  - reduced hybrid fertility
  - hybrid breakdown

Honors Biology – Chapters 13 & 14 Word Roots  
"HOW POPULATIONS EVOLVE" & "THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES"

**allo-** = other; **-patri** = father (*allopatric speciation*: the formation of new species in populations that are geographically isolated from one another)

**bio-** = life; **geo-** = the Earth (*biogeography*: the study of the past and present distribution of organisms)

**homo-** = like, resembling (*homologous structures*: structures in different species that are similar because of common ancestry; *homology*: similarity in characteristics resulting from a shared ancestry)

**micro-** = small (*microevolution*: a change in a population's gene pool over generations)

**muta-** = change (*mutation*: a change in the nucleotide sequence of an organism's DNA)

**paleo-** = ancient (*paleontologist*: a scientist who studies fossils)

**post-** = after; **zygo-** = fertilized cell (*postzygotic barrier*: any of several reproductive barriers that prevent hybrid zygotes produced by two different species from developing into viable, fertile adults)

**pre-** = before; **zygo-** = fertilized cell (*prezygotic barrier*: any of several reproductive barriers that impede mating between species or hinder fertilization if mating between two species is attempted)

**sym-** = together; **-patri** = father (*sympatric speciation*: the formation of new species in populations that live in the same geographic area)

**vestigi-** = trace (*vestigial organs*: a structure of marginal or no importance to an organism that is the historical remnant of structures that had important functions in ancestors)

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## HONORS BIOLOGY – UNIT 3 – CHAPTERS 13 & 14 NOTES

### HOW POPULATIONS EVOLVE & THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES

#### Jean Baptiste de Lamarck

- first major theory of evolution
- based on 3 principles:
  - a desire to change = if an animal wants or needs to change its body, then it does
  - use and disuse = if a part of an animal isn't used, then it shrinks and disappears; if it is used a lot, then it grows bigger, stronger, or more numerous
  - acquired traits = traits that an animal receives during its lifetime will be passed to its offspring
- WHAT IS WRONG WITH LAMARCK'S THEORY? (EVERYTHING!)

#### Charles Darwin

- a naturalist from England
- first voyage at 22 years old
- sailed to the Galapagos Islands off the coast of Ecuador (South America)
- most famous book was "On the Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection" (1859)

#### Darwin's Research

- He collected several species of birds (finches)
- Each bird had a specialized way of catching food in its beak
- All the birds on the islands resembled one particular bird on South America
- HOW COME SOME OF THE BIRDS HAVE DIFFERENT TRAITS?
- WHY DID THE ISLAND FINCHES RESEMBLE THOSE ON SOUTH AMERICA?
- The finches must have changed throughout time in order to survive.
- They evolved different traits in response to the different environments on the islands.
- In the case of their beaks, the environmental factor was food availability.

#### Darwin's Theory of Evolution

- definition of evolution = change in species over time
- natural selection = organisms with traits well suited to an environment are more likely to survive and produce more offspring
- FITNESS = the ability to successfully reproduce and produce fertile offspring
- Reproduction is the most important thing in life according to Darwin

### 5 Steps of Natural Selection

1. GENETIC VARIATION  
Every species contains differences in DNA  
EX: Some giraffes have longer necks and some have shorter necks.
2. OVERPRODUCTION OF OFFSPRING  
Organisms often produce more offspring than can survive.  
EX: The giraffes produce a lot of offspring.
3. FITNESS  
Only some individuals survive and reproduce.  
EX: Tall giraffes could reach the food. They survived and reproduced.  
Short giraffes could not reach the food. They died and did not reproduce.
4. GENETIC CHANGE  
Natural selection changes the % of genes in the population.  
EX: The “tall” gene becomes more common. The “short” gene becomes less common.
5. ADAPTATION  
Species adapt to the environment. Some genes are more favored than others.  
EX: Most of the giraffes in the population are taller. The shorter ones were unable to survive.

### Examples of Natural Selection (Classwork)

EX: Darwin’s Finches (only food sources are nuts, fruits, and seeds)

1. There are birds with short, fat beaks and long, thin beaks.
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

EX: Drug-Resistant Bacteria

1. Some bacteria are killed by antibiotics and some are not.
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

EX: Pesticide-Resistant Insects

1. Some insects are killed by pesticides and some are not.
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

EX: The Peppered Moths (the trees have been covered with soot)

1. There are light and dark peppered moths.
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

## Proof of Evolution

1. Homologous Structures = similar bone structures found in closely related animals  
EX: human arm, bird wing, whale flipper
2. Vestigial Organ = an organ that is no longer used by an animal  
EX: human appendix, coccyx (tail bone), wisdom teeth
3. Molecular Data = comparing similar DNA or proteins sequences of different animals  
EX: humans and chimpanzees have 98.4% DNA similarities
4. Comparative Embryology = animals that are closely related have similar features during development (before they are born)  
EX: human embryos have gill-like slits (humans evolved from fish)  
EX: human embryos have a “tail” (humans evolved from primates)
5. Fossils = remnants of animals from the past  
EX: Archaeopteryx = fossil that proves that birds evolved from dinosaurs

## Evolution Without Natural Selection

1. Founder Effect = when a small group is separated from a large population, the small group will have a different % of genes than the original (larger) group  
EX: Carolina and Dimetri are swept away by a storm to a deserted island.  
All the offspring will be tall.
2. Bottleneck Effect = when a storm or natural disaster randomly destroys most of a population, the survivors that are left to reproduce may not have the same genetic qualities as the original (larger) group  
EX: A storm destroys everyone except Carlos, Kristia, Danilo, Charbel, and Carolina.  
All the offspring will be Spanish.
3. Artificial Selection = when humans determine which organisms are going to mate.  
EX: farmers planting the seeds from the best crops  
EX: dog/horse breeders

## Species Concept

- Organisms of the same species are able to mate and produce fertile offspring.
- If they can't mate together, then they are different species!
- EX: horse + donkey → mule (not a species because it is sterile)

## 5 Pre-Zygotic Reproductive Barriers

1. Habitat Isolation = species are separated based on where they live
2. Temporal Isolation = species are separated based on when they mate (time of day or mating seasons)
3. Behavioral Isolation = species are separated based on differences in mating rituals
4. Mechanical Isolation = species are separated based on incompatible reproductive organs
5. Gametic Isolation = species are separated based on incompatible gametes (eggs + sperm)

## 3 Post-Zygotic Reproductive Barriers

1. Reduced Hybrid Viability = hybrid fails to develop or reach “puberty”
2. Reduced Hybrid Fertility = hybrid reaches “puberty” but can't make functional gametes
3. Hybrid Breakdown = hybrid produces offspring, but the offspring are weak or infertile

### 3 Modes of Natural Selection

1. **Directional Selection:** one extreme trait is favored  
EX: - Trait: speed of wolves  
- Evolution favors faster wolves  
- Graph is shifted to the left or right
  
2. **Stabilizing Selection:** the middle form of the trait is favored  
EX: - Trait: human birth weight  
- Evolution favors medium birth weight  
- Graph produces a thinner bell curve
  
3. **Diversifying Selection:** both extreme traits are equally favorable, but not the middle trait  
EX: - Trait: type of beak (Darwin's finches)  
- Evolution favors short/fat beaks (for eating nuts and fruit) as well as long/thin beaks (for eating worms and insects), but not medium-sized beaks  
- Graph produces an upside-down bell curve