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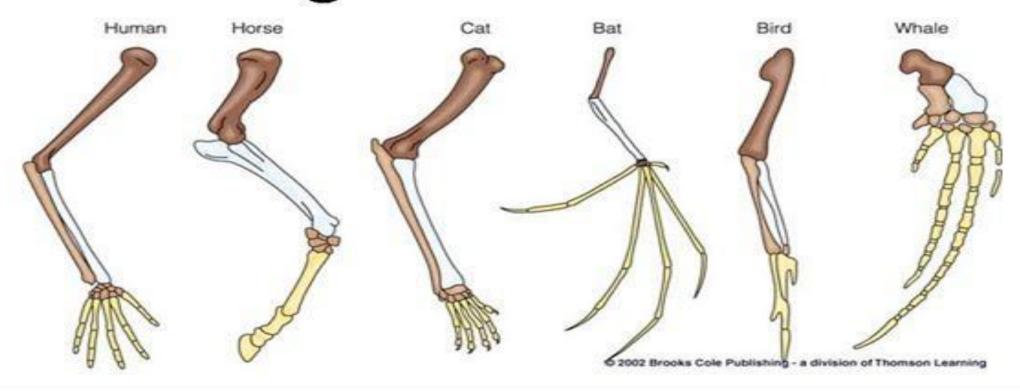
Types of evolution

•three main types of evolution: divergent, convergent, and parallel evolution

Divergent Evolution Definition

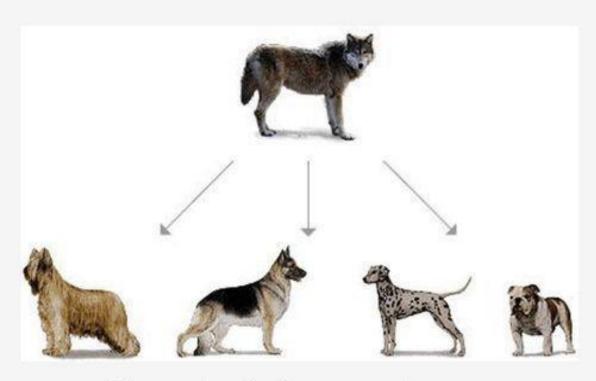
•Divergent evolution is the process whereby groups from the same common ancestor evolve and accumulate differences, resulting in the formation of new species.

Divergent evolution

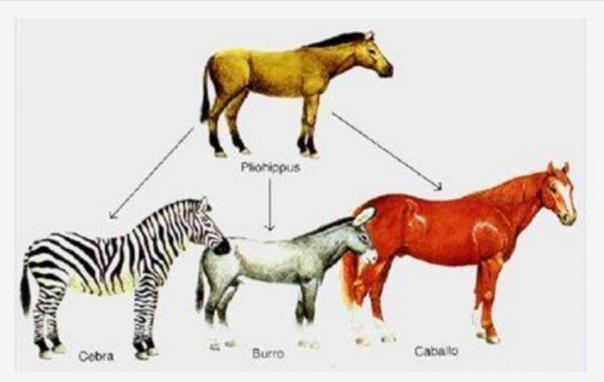


DIVERGENT EVOLUTION

common ancestor (RELATED) -> adapt different traits



Example 1: Dog species descend from a wolf



Example 2: Zebras, Donkeys, and Horses are related

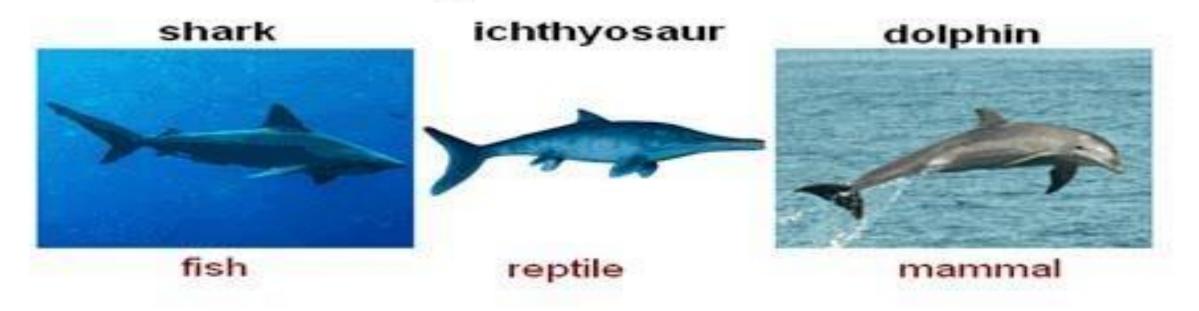
Convergent evolution

•Convergent evolution is the independent evolution of similar features in species of different periods or epochs in time

examples of convergent evolution?

•An example of convergent evolution is the similar nature of the flight/wings of insects, birds, pterosaurs, and bats. All four serve the same function and are similar in structure, but each evolved independently.

Convergent evolution



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Convergent Evolution

Niche	Placental Mammals	Australian Marsupials
Burrower	Mole	Marsupial mole
Anteater	Lesser anteater	Numbat (anteater)
Mouse	Mouse	Marsupial mouse
Climber	Lemur	Spotted cuscus
Glider	Flying squirrel	Flying phalanger
Cat	Ocelot	Tasmanian "tiger cat"
Wolf	Wolf	Tasmanian wolf

WHAT IS PARALLEL EVOLUTION

 Parallel evolution is the similar development of a trait in distinct species that are not closely related, but share a similar original trait in response to similar evolutionary pressure



Evolutionary level	Parallel evolution	Convergent evolution
Phenotype	Similar phenotypes occur in closely related taxa	Similar phenotypes occur in distantly related taxa
Gene	Similar phenotypes are produced by orthologous genes (homologues that have diverged from a common ancestral gene)	Similar phenotypes are produced by different, non-homologous, genes
Nucleotide sequence	Similar phenotypes are produced by identical changes in the same gene	Similar phenotypes are produced by different changes in the same gene

Human Evolution

Human evolution

Human **evolution** is the lengthy process of change by which people originated from apelike ancestors.

What did humans first evolve from?

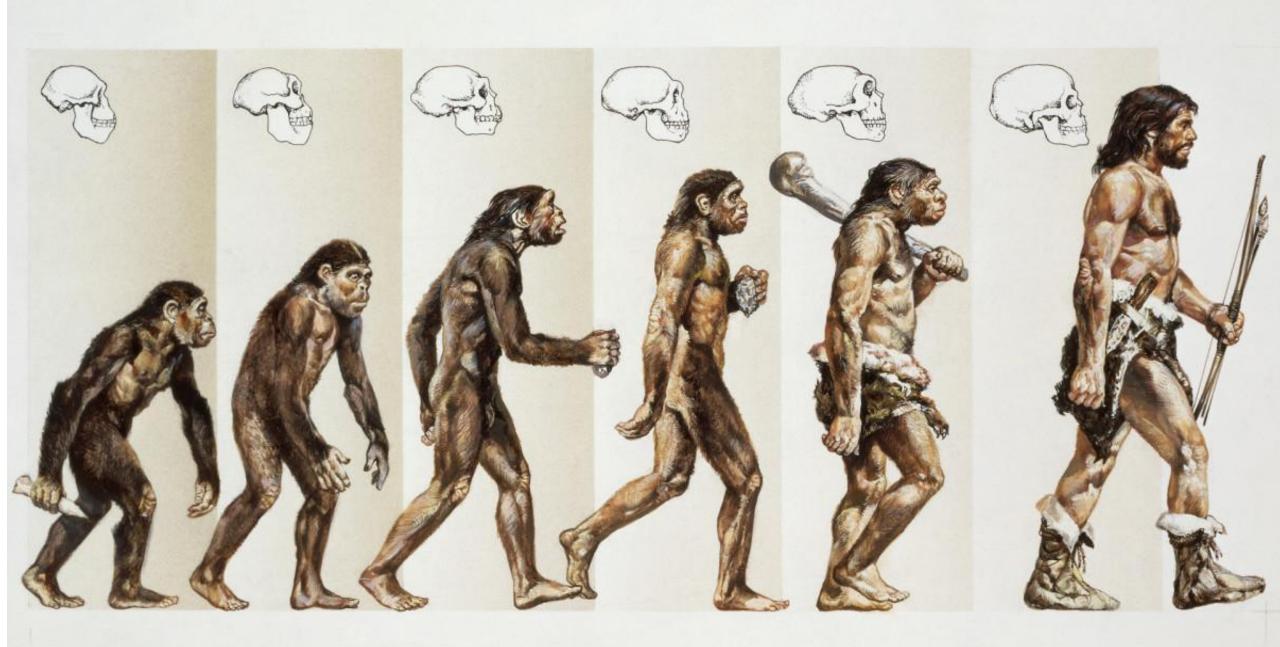
 Modern humans originated in Africa within the past 200,000 years and evolved from their most likely recent common ancestor, Homo erectus, which means 'upright man' in Latin. Homo erectus is an extinct species of human that lived between 1.9 million and 135,000 years ago.

What are the 4 stages of human evolution?

 The evolution of modern humans from our hominid ancestor is commonly considered as having involved four major steps: evolving terrestriality, bipedalism, a large brain (encephalization) and civilization.

the correct order of human evolution?

 Homo-Habilis → Homo-Neanderthalensis → Australopithecus → Homoerectus → Cro-magnon → Homosapiens.



IMPORTANCE OF EVOLUTION

 Understanding evolution is important. Understanding evolution helps us solve biological problems that impact our lives. ... To control hereditary diseases in people, researchers study the evolutionary histories of the disease-causing genes. In these ways, a knowledge of evolution can improve the quality of human life.

