

Welcome To 7th grade Life Science!

Mrs. Winters **Hot Sync**

Monday 11/18/13

Answer the following questions in complete sentences on a **BLANK** sheet of paper.

Materials Needed

Today

Please take these materials out of your backpack.

- Pencil
- Sheet of paper for notes
- Darwin's Voyage and letter

Free Write:

Tell me about anything you want me to know.

Possibilities:

What you did this weekend
A crazy adventure you once had.

A dream that you had

Darwin's Observations

- Darwin made observations about the diversity and uniqueness of organisms.
 - Many of the animals on the Galapagos were similar, but not the same as organisms in mainland South America.
 - Darwin reasoned that perhaps the organisms in the Galapagos originally came from South America and over time, they had evolved.



Tortoises

- Darwin found giant tortoises on all the Galapagos Islands, but nowhere else.
- He reasoned that each new population changed slightly, or evolved, to fit its unique environment on the island.

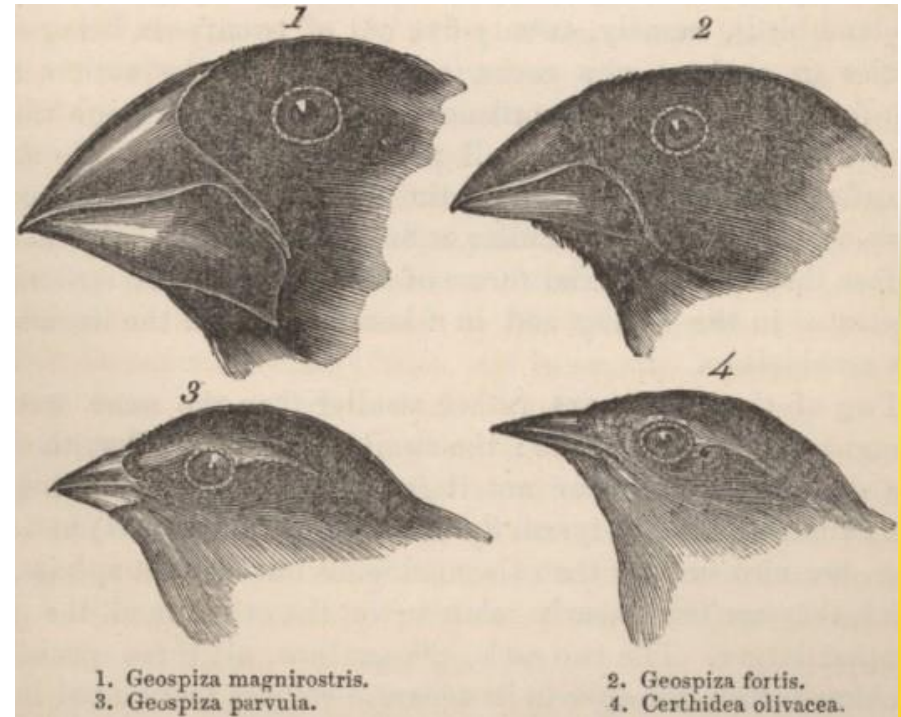


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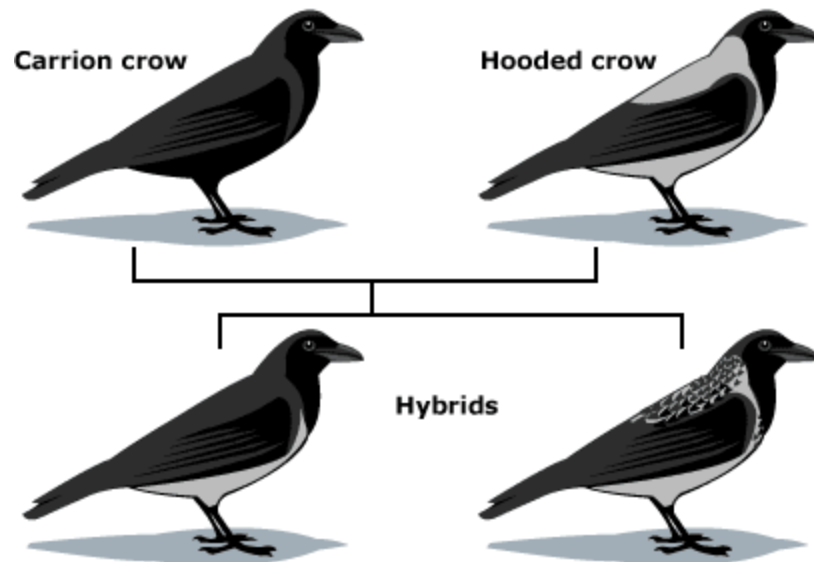
Finches

- Darwin was impressed by the diversity of finches on the Galapagos.
- Darwin explained that if individuals from a species were separated, future generations might look and behave differently.
- The finches became different because they became suited to the different habitats on the islands.



Species

- a group of living organisms consisting of *similar* individuals capable of exchanging genes or interbreeding.



Virtual Voyage!!

At each of the 4 stations:

- **Reader**—Reads the information about that place. And then reads each question
- **Facilitator**—Makes sure to get the opinion of every person in the group
- **Time keeper/Reporter**— Keeps track of time and notifies their group. Also will report for the group when called upon.
- **Recorder**— Responsible for recording the group information accurately and making sure everyone has the same information before moving on to the next question.



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