Develop an understanding of the evolution and diversity of life.

- Classification of Organisms according to Evolutionary Relationships, Historical Development and Changing Nature of Classification Systems, Eukaryotic vs. Prokaryotic Organics, Eukaryotic Kingdoms, Dichotomous Keys
- Processes by which Organisms or Representative Groups accomplish Essential Life Functions
- Adaptations affecting Survival and Reproduction, Structural Adaptations in Plants and Animals, Disease-Causing Viruses and Microorganisms, Co-Evolution
- Interactive Role of Internal / External Factors in Health and Disease, Genetics, Immune Response, Nutrition, Parasites, Toxins
- Patterns of Animal Behavior as Adaptations to the Environment, Innate / Learned Behavior

**CLASSIFICATION:**
- process in understanding how organisms are related and how they are different
- taxonomy – branch of biology that studies grouping and naming of organisms
- history of classification systems
  - 4th Century B.C., Aristotle proposed two groups (plants and animals) and used common names for identification, based on “blood” and “bloodless”
  - early 1700s, Carolus Linnaeus developed a system based on physical characteristics
    - two kingdoms (plants and animals)
    - developed “genus” and “species”
    - designed system of naming called binomial nomenclature (“two names”), which gave each organism two names, a genus, and a species. Genus always capitalized, both should be underlined or italicized
  - Six kingdoms: Archaebacteria, Eubacteria, Protista, Fungi, Plantae, and Animalia
  - A dichotomous key is a tool used to identify organisms by using pairs of contrasting characteristics
  - basis of current classification: phylogeny, DNA / biochemical analysis, embryology, morphology, Phylogenetic trees

**LEVELS OF CLASSIFICATION:**
- Kingdom
- Phylum
- Class
- Order
- Family
- Genus
- Species

**CLASSIFICATION OF HUMANS:**
- Kingdom Animalia (multicellular organisms that eat food)
- Phylum Chordata (dorsal hollow nerve cord, notochord, pharyngeal slits)
- Class Mammalia (hair, mammary glands, endothermy, four-chambered heart)
- Order Primates (nails, clavicle, orbits encircled with bone, enlarged cerebrum, opposable digits)
- Family Hominidae (bipedal – walk erect on two feet, advanced tool use)
- Genus Homo (“human” like)
- Species Homo sapiens

**COMPARISON OF EUKARYOTE TO PROKARYOTE:**
- **Prokaryote** – has nuclear material in the center of the cell, but is not enclosed by a nuclear membrane; no membrane bound organelles; examples: bacteria and blue-green algae
- **Eukaryote** – contain a clearly defined nucleus enclosed by a nuclear membrane and membrane bound organelles; examples: plants, animals, fungi, and protists

**COMPARISON OF KINGDOM CHARACTERISTICS**

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| Photosynthetic (some) | Protective cell wall | Animal-like     | Saprophytic / parasitic | Medicinal, food source | Heal.
| Chemosynthetic (some) | Methanogens - use H2 and CO2 to produce methane (CH4) & energy | Animal-like (protozoa) | Medicinal, food source | Vascular system, seeds |
| Pathogenic       | Extreme Environments - Thermophiles - heat - Halophiles - salt | Plant-like (algae) | Heterotrophic | Vascular system, seeds |
| Medicinal        | Ex: streptococcus | Medical, food source | Sexual / asexual | Poisonous       |
| Classified by shape | Ex: methanococcus | Mobile | Alternation of generations | Invertebrates |
| Binary fission   |                    |                | Often symbiotic with algae | Symmetry |
| Vaccines, antibiotics |                |                | Ex: mushroom | Ex: Homo sapiens |
|                   |                |                | Ex: amoeba |                |                |

**Note:** Current classification systems reveal six kingdoms, where Monerans are divided into Archaebacteria (ancient bacteria, anaerobic nature) and Eubacteria (true bacteria, aerobic nature).
**Viruses:**

- Note: Viruses are not considered living organisms!
- Composed of a nucleic acid surrounded by a protein coat
- Use living cells to replicate viral nucleic acid
- Infects a living cell when the virus injects its nucleic acid into the host cell; the viral nucleic acid replicates and makes more viruses
- Two processes to infect host cells: the lytic cycle and the lysogenic cycle
- Lytic: virus attached to host cell injects its nucleic acid into host; nucleic acid is immediately replicated; host bursts; releases virus
- Lysogenic: host infected but does not immediately die; viral DNA is replicated along with host DNA; virus becomes dormant; spontaneously enters lytic cycle and cell bursts – may be years later
- Viruses can infect animals, plants, and bacteria
- Viruses do not respond to drug treatment
- Immunity must be acquired naturally or from vaccinations

**Dichotomous Keys:**
- Device used to aid in identifying a biological specimen
- Offers two alternatives at each juncture, each choice determining the next step; breaks down subgroups by their evolutionary relationships
- Can be used for field identification of species, as found in field guides by focusing on practical characteristics

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**Plants**

- **Spore-Producing Plants**
  - Nonvascular, produce spores
  - Remain small – absorb water by osmosis
  - Sperm swim to fertilize eggs
  - Live in moist environments
  - Reproduce sexually
  - Alternation of Generations (You see the gametophyte generation)
  - Mosses and liverworts

- **Vascular Plants**
  - Two types of vascular tissue
  - Xylem – transports water and minerals (UP)
  - Phloem – transports sugars (DOWN)
  - Produce spores
  - Club mosses, horsetails, ferns
  - Require water for reproduction
  - Alternation of Generations (You see the sporophyte generation)

- **Seed Producing Vascular Plants**
  - Vascular, produce seeds
  - Seed = embryo protected by a seed coat
  - Two groups based on reproduction
  - Gymnosperms – cone-bearing
  - Angiosperms – flowering
    - Monocots (corn) and dicots (flowers)
  - Roots – anchor, absorb water, store food
  - Stems – support, transport
  - Leaves – photosynthesis, produces food
  - Adaptations – seed, pollen, fruit, flowers
  - Pollination – fertilization, germination

**Evidence for Evolution - Change in Species**

- Evolution - change in the genetic makeup of a population of organisms over time
- Species - group of organisms that share similar characteristics and can interbreed to produce fertile offspring.
- Speciation - evolution of a new species from an exiting species. New species arise when populations are separated, environmental conditions in area influence traits required for survival

**Fossil Evidence for Evolution**

- Fossils - are actual remains or evidence of organisms that lived in the past. Fossils also provide clues about when different species lived. Ex. a fossil’s location in a rock layer tells how long ago it lived

**Comparative Anatomy**

- Homologous structures: body parts of different organisms that have similar structures but not necessarily similar function. May indicate common ancestry = divergent evolution
  - Ex. forelimb of vertebrates

- Analogous Structures: body parts that have similar function but not a similar structure. They do not indicate shared ancestry. Convergent evolution occurs when unrelated species undergo natural selection
  - Ex. bat wings, butterfly wings, bird wings

- Vestigial Structures: body parts that do not seem to play a role in the body functions of the organism. Ex. appendix in humans

- Comparative Embryology: study of embryos to reveal structural similarities

**Biogeography**

- Biogeography - is the study of the distribution of a species geographically. Biogeography relies on data about living organisms as well as fossils to identify where different species have lived at different times in Earth’s history.

- Continental Drift Hypothesis - continents were once joined in a single large landmass called Pangaea, that broke apart, and over millions of years, the continents moved to current location. Fossil records show that the continental drift changed the distribution of Earth’s organisms.
Reproduction, Growth, Development:

**Reproduction** – production of offspring by an organism; a characteristic of all living things (can be sexual or asexual); exists for the continuation of the species, not the individual

**Growth** – increase in the amount of living material and formation of new structures in an organism; a characteristic of all living things; ex: getting bigger, growing muscle, longer bones, etc.

**Development** – all the changes that take place during the life of an organism; a characteristic of all living things; ex: infancy, youth, puberty, adulthood, and death

Disease Causing Microorganisms:

- **Microorganisms** are living organisms, usually unicellular bacteria, than can only be seen with a microscope.
- Benefits of microorganisms: help us to digest food, encourage normal development of the immune system, and fight off bad organisms.
- **Microbes** (or pathogens) include viruses, bacteria, fungi, and parasites, which cause disease when our immune system can’t fight them.
- Microorganisms can be identified based on their size, shape, color, ability to form colonies, etc.
- Process of growing the organism is called a culture, and can be used to test sensitivity of organisms to various antibiotics, which will help a doctor determine which drug to use in treating an infection.
- An infectious disease in humans occurs when balance is disturbed by: exposure to an organism, normal microorganisms in the body become pathogenic, or the human immune system does not act fast enough or strong enough.
- Most common areas on the body for microorganisms: skin, mouth, upper airway, intestine, and genitals.

Antibiotic Resistance:

- Some bacteria are resistant to antibiotics because they have enzymes that can destroy the antibiotics or because of genetic mutation that allow them to grow despite the antibiotics.
- Increasing numbers of microorganisms have become resistant to antibiotics; violent and untreatable, now called “superbugs”.
- Overuse of antibiotics has led to the development of resistant bacteria.

How can you prevent the spread of antibiotic resistance?

- Avoid antibiotics unless they are clearly needed.
- Do not take antibiotics without the advice of a doctor.
- Take the full course of prescription.
- Do not save antibiotics for later.
- Do not demand antibiotics from the doctor.

Defenses Against Infection:

First Line of Immune Defense:

- **Physical Barriers** - skin, mucous membranes (linings of the mouth, nose, eyelids), airways, stomach acid, pancreatic enzymes, bile, intestinal secretions, urinary secretions.

Second Line of Immune Defense:

- **Blood** – increasing the number of certain types of white blood cells that engulf and destroy invading microorganisms.
- **Inflammation** – release or substances from damaged tissue isolates area to attack and kill invaders and dispose of dead and damaged tissue, and to begin repair; blood supply increases which brings more white blood cells to swollen area.
- **Fever** – body temperature increases to enhance defense ability (controlled by hypothalamus in brain); causes shivers, chills, body aches; normal body temperature is 98.6°F, a fever is considered higher than 100°F.

Third Line of Immune Defense:

- **Immune Response** – immune system responds by producing substances that attack invaders (ex: killer T cells, phagocytes) and the immune system produces antibodies that attach to and immobilize the invader to kill it; antibodies will “remember” the infectious organism so it will kill it upon next exposure; immune system is present all over the body and tightly bound to blood and lymph systems; tissues and cells that provide antibodies include red bone marrow, thymus, spleen, circulating lymphatic system, and white blood cells.
- There are two types of immunity:
  - **Natural Immunity** – created by body’s natural physical barriers or in the form of antibodies passed from mother to child.
  - **Acquired Immunity** – created by exposure to a specific microorganism, which is “remembered” by the body’s immune system - Immunization – body’s ability to fight off certain organisms is stimulated or enhanced.

1. Active Immunization – contain either noninfectious fragments or whole pieces of bacteria or viruses that have been weakened so they will not cause infection but will instead cause the production of antibodies (vaccination).
2. Passive Immunization – antibodies against a specific infectious organism are given directly to the person (vaccine may not be available).

External Defenses:

- **Antibiotics** – organic substances synthesized by microorganisms or at a lab used to treat infectious diseases or to prevent them; each antibiotic is specific to a certain bacteria; can be administered by mouth, vein, or muscle.
- **Hygiene** – keeping a clean environment that limits exposure to infected bodily fluids, decomposing material, or infected people will prevent the spread of infection.
**ANIMAL BEHAVIORAL ADAPTATIONS:**
- Behavior – animal’s response to a stimulus
- Innate behavior – instinct; influenced by genes
  Ex: bird defending its nest
- Learned behavior – changed by experience
  Ex: training a pet to respond to a specific name
- Social behavior – interactions between members of the same species
  Ex: mating and caring for offspring
- Territorial behavior – organisms defend an area to keep out other organisms (ex: animal marking trees)
- Reflex – automatic, neuromuscular action (ex: knee jerk)
- Taxis – response to a directional stimulus; organism is mobile

**ADAPTIVE RESPONSES:**
- Mimicry – structural adaptation that allows one species to resemble another species; may provide protection from predators
- Camouflage – structural adaptation that enables species to blend with their surroundings; allows a species to avoid detection
- Migration – instinctive seasonal movements of animals from place to place
- Emigration – movement of individuals from a population; leaving the population
- Immigration – movement of individuals into a population
- Hibernation – state of reduced metabolism occurring in animals that sleep during parts of cold winter months; an animal’s temperature drops, oxygen consumption decreases, and breathing rate declines
- Estivation – state of reduced metabolism that occurs in animals living in conditions of intense heat
- Mating / Reproduction – production of offspring for the survival of the species; can be seasonally scheduled

**FACTORS AFFECTING BLOOD FLOW**
- **Blood Pressure (BP):** is the amount of force exerted outwardly on the wall of a vessel. Arterial blood pressure is directly proportional to the amount of blood found in an artery. More blood in an artery = higher pressure; less blood in an artery (blood loss) = lower pressure. Other factors affecting BP include smoking, alcohol intake, salty diet, lack of exercise, hypertension or other diseases
- **Blood Volume:** The amount of blood that is pumped throughout cardiovascular system per minute. It is determined by fluid intake and fluid loss. If blood volume increases (fluid intake) BP increases; if blood volume decreases (fluid loss), BP decreases. Too much salt in diet increases blood volume.
- **Resistance:** Difficulty or ease in which blood flows through blood vessels. The tendency of vascular system to oppose blood flow; inversely proportional to flow. If resistance increases, flow decreases; if resistance decreases, flow increases. Major determinant of resistance is the diameter of the arteries. The diameter or length of vessels and viscosity (thickness) of the blood directly impact resistance. Diseases that cause plaque (fatty deposits) to build up in vessels make them narrower and slow blood flow. Sometimes the plaque build up may lead to blood clots that may block blood flow to the heart.
- **Exercise:** helps to regulate blood flow

**ENERGY FLOW IN AN ECOSYSTEM**

**SUN >>>>>> GRASS >>>>>> MICE >>>>>> HAWK**

Sunlight is the main energy source for living things. Energy flows through an ecosystem from the sun to organisms within the ecosystem in one direction. Two main groups of organisms in the ecosystem are the producers and consumers.

Producers – autotrophs, use sun’s energy to make their own food, plants (grass)

Consumers – heterotrophs, cannot make their own food, eat other living things to get their energy (mice- primary consumers; and hawk- secondary consumer)

**STRUCTURE OF AN ECOSYSTEM**

Organism >>>>>>> Species >>>>>>> Population >>>>>>> Community >>>>>>> Ecosystem >>>>>>> Environment

**Species** – group of organisms that can interbreed
**Community** – groups of interacting populations
**Habitat** – place where an organism lives

**Population** – units of single species
**Ecosystem** – groups of interacting communities
**Niche** – organism’s role within its habitat

**EXAMPLES OF INFECTIOUS ORGANISMS:**
- **Bacteria** – microscopic, single celled
  - Streptococcus pyogenes (strep throat)
  - *Escherichia coli* (urinary tract or intestinal infection)
- **Viruses** – cannot reproduce on its own (invades a host cell)
  - Varicella zoster (chicken pox)
  - Rhinovirus (common cold)
- **Fungi** – yeasts, molds, mushrooms
  - *Candida albicans* (yeast infection)
  - *Tinea pedis* (athlete’s foot)
- **Parasites** – organism such as a worm or single celled animal (protozoan) that survive by living inside another organism (host)
  - *Enterobius vermicularis* (pinworm)
  - *Plasmodium falciparum* (malaria)

**GROUPS OF ORGANISMS**

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### Symbiotic Relationships:
- **Symbiosis** – permanent, close association between one or more organisms of different species
- **Mutualism** – a symbiotic relationship in which both species benefit (ex: in subtropical regions, ants protect acacia trees by fighting invaders, acacia tree provides nectar to ants)
- **Commensalism** – symbiotic relationship in which one species benefits and the other species is neither harmed nor benefited (ex: Spanish moss grows on and hangs from limbs of trees, but does not obtain any nutrients from tree, nor harm the tree)
- **Parasitism** – symbiotic relationship in which one organism benefits at the expense of another, usually another species (ex: parasites such as bacteria, roundworms, tapeworms live in the intestines of organisms to obtain nutrients and reproduce, but cause disease in the organisms)

### Food Chain:
- Path of energy from producer to consumer
- Each level is called a trophic level (trophic = energy)
- Approximately 10% energy is transferred to next level
- 90% used for personal metabolism and development

### Food Web:
- Interconnected food chains
- Shows all possible feeding relationships at each trophic level in a community

### Ecological Pyramid:
- Representation of energy transfer
- Pyramid of Energy – each level represents energy available at that level, 90% decline
- Pyramid of Biomass – each level represents amount level above needs to consume
- Pyramid of Numbers – each level represents number of organisms consumed by level above it

### Species / Population Survival:
- **Natural Selection** – mechanism for change in populations; occurs when organisms with favorable variations survive, reproduce, and pass their variations to the next generation; "survival of the fittest"
- **Adaptation (Behavioral or Physiological)** – evolution of a structure, behavior, or internal process that enables an organism to respond to environmental factors and live to produce offspring
- **Limiting Factors (Environmental)** – any biotic or abiotic factor that restricts the existence, numbers, reproduction, or distribution of organisms
- **Genetic Mutations** – any change or random error in a DNA sequence (one gene or many; somatic cells or gametes)
- **Biodiversity** – variety of life in an area; usually measured as the number of species that live in an area
- **Evolution (Macroevolution vs. Microevolution)** – gradual change in a species through adaptations over time
- **Endangered Species** – number of individuals in the species falls so low that extinction is possible
- **Extinction** – disappearance of a species when the last of its members die
- **Carrying Capacity** - number of individuals that the resources of an environment can normally and persistently support

### Characteristics of Living Things:
- require food for energy to carry out life processes
- use energy to maintain homeostasis
- respond to stimuli in the environment
- grow and develop
- reproduce similar offspring
- pass genetic information to their offspring
- composed of cells
- composed of organic based compounds

### Explanations of the Origin of Life on Earth
Most modern organisms could not have survive the harsh conditions of Earth's early atmosphere. It is still uncertain where the first living things came from.
Several scientists contributed to the explanations: Miller-Urey, Oparin (atmospheric origin of organic compounds), Pasteur (disproved spontaneous generation of microbes)

**Endosymbiotic Theory** - states that free-living bacteria were engulfed by other prokaryotes. Explains how mitochondria, chloroplasts and other organelles formed

### Alternation of Generations:
- type of life cycle found in some algae, fungi, and all plants where an organism alternates between a haploid (n) gametophyte generation and a diploid (2n) sporophyte generation

### Cycles:
(Matter cannot be created nor destroyed, but can be converted/recycled to other forms)
- **Water Cycle** – water is recycled through evaporation, condensation, precipitation, runoff, groundwater, aquifers, respiration, transpiration, excretion, decomposition
- **Nitrogen Cycle** – producers take in nitrogen compounds in soil and pass to consumers that consume the producers; decomposers (bacteria) break down nitrogen compounds and release nitrogen gas to air or usable nitrogen so the soil
- **Carbon Cycle** – carbon is recycled through respiration, photosynthesis, fuel combustion, decomposition; carbon can be atmospheric or dissolved, or can be found in organic compounds within the body

### Factors that Affect Climate Change:
- distance from the sea
- ocean currents
- direction of prevailing winds
- relief (altitude / mountains)
- proximity to the equator
- El Nino phenomenon
- human population growth
- pollution
- industry
- acid rain
- ozone depletion & greenhouse effect

### Factors that Affect Resource Use and Sustainability:
- population count
- number of producers and consumers
- per capita consumption
- rate of industrial, urban, and infrastructure development
- wealth of country / municipality
- amount of precipitation
- renewable or nonrenewable status
- pollution / degradation of land
- industry, manufacturing, commercialism
- recycling programs
- conservation programs
- substitution programs
- habitat destruction
- aquifer depletion
TYPES OF ECOSYSTEMS (BIOMES):
- **AQUATIC**: based on flow, depth, temperature, chemistry
- **TERRESTRIAL**: based on geography, rainfall, temperature

- **Tropical Rain Forest** – significant diversity, warm, moist
- **Savanna** – grassland with isolated trees, warm year-round, consistent rainfall, borders deserts
- **Desert** – hot, dry, minimal rainfall, middle latitudes
- **Temperate Grassland** – variety of grasses, cold winters, warm summers, seasonal rainfall, borders savannas
- **Temperate Forest** – deciduous, seasonal growth and weather patterns
- **Taiga** – coniferous, borders tundra
- **Tundra** – cold, frozen
- **Marine** – oceans, saltwater, large diversity
- **Freshwater** – lakes, streams, lower diversity

IMPACT OF HUMANS ON THE ENVIRONMENT:
- caused extinction of species through hunting, fishing, agriculture, industry, urban development
- growing population = greater demands on environment
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SUCCESION:
- orderly, natural changes, and species replacements that take place in communities of an ecosystem over time
  - **Primary Succession** – colonization of barren land by pioneer organisms (soil must be developed)
  - **Secondary Succession** – sequence of changes that take place after a community is disrupted by natural disasters or human actions (soil already present)

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MAJOR PARTS OF THE BRAIN

SCIENTISTS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION

Thomas Robert Malthus (1798) - Malthus has become widely known for his theories about population and its increase or decrease in response to various factors.

Jean-Baptiste Lamarck (1801) - known for classification of invertebrates and inheritance of acquired inheritance. First to propose theory of evolution.

Charles Lyell (1830) - a geologist whose interpretation of geologic change as the steady accumulation of minute changes over enormously long spans of time was a powerful influence on the young Charles Darwin.

Charles Darwin (1842) - Darwin's general theory presumes the development of life from non-life and stresses a purely naturalistic (undirected) "descent with modification." That is, complex creatures evolve from more simplistic ancestors naturally over time. In a nutshell, random genetic mutations occur within an organism's genetic code, the beneficial mutations are preserved because they aid survival - a process known as "natural selection." These beneficial mutations are passed on to the next generation. Over time, beneficial mutations accumulate and the result is an entirely different organism (not just a selection.).

Gregor Mendel (1865) - reported that traits were inherited in a predictable manner through the independent assortment and segregation of elements (later known as genes).

Male Reproductive System Structures

1. **testes** -- produces sperm and the hormone testosterone
2. **scrotum** -- pouch enclosing the testes keeping the sperm at an optimum temperature for development
3. **vas deferens** -- tube carrying sperm away from the testes
4. **prostate gland** -- the largest of several glands which add lubricating and other fluids to the sperm
5. **urethra** -- tube through the penis carrying sperm to the outside of the body
6. **penis** -- adaptation for internal fertilization of the female

Female Reproductive System Structures

1. **ovary** -- (females have two of these) -- produce female gametes or eggs and the hormone estrogen
2. **oviduct (fallopian tube)** -- carries the egg away from the uterus
3. **uterus** -- implantation and development of the embryo and fetus before birth occurs here
4. **vagina or birth canal** -- entry point for sperm from the male and exit tube for the baby when it is born

TEST TAKING TIPS:

Make flash cards for each term and its definition for an extra study opportunity.

It is important to understand how many questions you will be answering, develop a time limit to answer all questions, and how to break down each question into its critical parts. Second, **Read each question carefully**, make note of the key word(s) in each question, and read each answer choice thoroughly before choosing a final answer. It is good to use the highlighter tool write down the key word(s) in each question. **Highlight or circle similar key words or ideas in your answer choices in order to select or eliminate answer choices.** This will help keep you focused and alert to what the question is asking. Once you have answered each question, check your answers against the answer key. For those questions that you answered incorrectly, **re-read those questions and the answer choices and logically determine why you answered incorrectly and justify the reason for the correct answer.** Don't get hung up over unfamiliar words. Later, without the time constraints, follow this process with each question. This will help you in the future when you are confronted with questions of similar content.

Good Luck and Good Testing! 😊