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AP Biology

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REVIEW UNIT 6: EVOLUTION — “TOP TEN”

A. Top “10” — If you learned anything from this unit, you should have learned:

1. Darwin’s Principle of Natural Selection

- a. Variation
individuals within a population possess heritable variation within traits
 - sexual recombination
 - mutation
- b. Overproduction
organisms produce more offspring than can survive
- c. Competition
those individuals with advantageous adaptations will out-compete others
- d. Differential Survival
individuals with favorable characteristics tend to survive more
- e. Differential Reproduction
individuals with favorable characteristics tend to have more offspring & pass on these traits to their offspring
 - alleles for favorable traits increase in the population
 - individuals are selected, but populations evolve

2. Selection

- a. directional vs. stabilizing vs. disruptive
- b. sexual selection
- c. genetic drift = effect of chance events
 - bottleneck effect (cheetahs)
 - founder’s effect (European settlers in Americas)
- d. gene flow

3. Evidence

- a. fossil record
- b. biogeography
 - convergent evolution (analogous structures)
- c. comparative anatomy
 - homologous structures
 - vestigial structures
- d. comparative embryology

- e. comparative genomics (molecular biology)
 - universal genetic code
 - conserved proteins (hemoglobin, cytochrome C)
 - f. artificial selection
 - agriculture, dog breeding, pesticide resistance, antibiotic resistance
4. Hardy Weinberg equilibrium
- a. $p + q = 1$ (allele frequency)
 - b. $p^2 + 2pq + q^2 = 1$ (phenotype frequency)
 - c. H-W conditions:
 - infinitely large population
 - random mating
 - no mutation
 - no gene flow (migration in or out)
 - no selection
5. Speciation
- a. biological species concept (Ernst Mayr)
 - population able to interbreed & produce viable, fertile offspring
 - b. allopatric = geographically isolated populations
 - c. sympatric = populations in same environment adapt to fill different niches
 - adaptive radiation (Galapagos finches)
 - mechanisms:
 - pre-zygotic: habitat factors, temporal factors, behavioral factors, mechanical factors, gamete factors
 - post-zygotic: reduced hybrid viability, reduced hybrid fertility
 - d. rate of speciation
 - gradualism (Darwin)
 - punctuated equilibrium (Stephen Jay Gould & Niles Eldridge)
6. Origin of Life
- a. Earth is 4.5 billion years old
 - b. abiotic origin
 - atmosphere of CO₂, methane (CH₄) & ammonia (NH₃) energized by lightning & UV rays
 - formation of organic compounds in seas (Miller – Urey experiment)
 - formation of protobionts & then bacteria (3.5 bya)

B. Labs

1. Hardy-Weinberg Population Genetics Lab

Be sure to review the procedures and the conclusions, and understand:

- a. Factors that affect evolution (changes in allele frequency) in populations
- b. How & when to use both H-W formulas
- c. Compare expected frequencies to actual to test for evolution