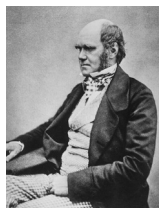


3 Charles Darwin

Charles Darwin was born in 1809. His father was a well-known doctor; his mother died when Charles was eight. Darwin's grandfather often discussed his ideas about **evolution** with Charles. As a child, Charles was not inspired by school. He liked to collect **beetles**, ride horses and hunt animals. In the summer of 1825 he studied to become a doctor but couldn't continue. Darwin found the lectures boring, hated watching surgery, and couldn't stand to see **blood**. His life changed after going on the HMS Beagle's five year **research** trip to the Galápagos Islands. Later as a scientist, he wrote books about coral reefs, reptiles, fossils, insects, climbing plants and other scientific topics. Because he was a careful man, and because he expected criticism from Christians, Darwin waited a long time to **publish** his theory of evolution. Finally, when Alfred Russel Wallace sent him an essay that also explained evolution, they published their ideas together.

Check the above bold words, read the paragraph, then brainstorm more vocabulary below.



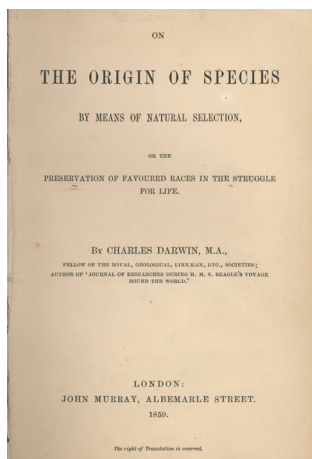
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