

Research Paper
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Topic: The theory of evolution

Paragraph One: Why Evolutionism Causes Debate

Explain to your reader what the issues are in the debate regarding evolutionism and creationism.

- **Why does evolutionism cause so much debate** (especially if it is a proven scientific theory)?
- What is it about this scientific theory that causes objections in ways that other firmly established theories like relativity and quantum theory do not cause? (More than one possibility?)
- Use at least three quotations that show various reasons why evolution causes debate.

Paragraph Two: What Americans Believe and Why They Believe It

- Review the following documents. Take notes to construct a paragraph on the topic, "What Americans Believe and Why They Believe It".
- http://www.religioustolerance.org/ev_publi.htm
- <http://www.gallup.com/poll/21811/american-beliefs-evolution-vs-bibles-explanation-human-origins.aspx>
- <http://www.pollingreport.com/science.htm>
- Rule: DO NOT explain what the theory of evolution is.
- Do some people accept parts of the theory of evolution and reject others? If so, what does this tell us?
- Do some classes of people accept evolutionism and others reject it? If so, what does this tell us about the theory's acceptance?
- What specific arguments (reasons) do people give for rejecting evolutionism?

Body Paragraphs: Evidence Supporting the Theory of Evolution

Paragraph 3: The fossil record

Paragraph 4: Human Chromosome-2

Paragraph 5: Vestigial structures¹

Paragraph 6: Vitamin-C

Conclusion

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¹ <http://www.bookrags.com/research/vestigial-structures-wap/>