

# **Chapter 1:** Invitation to Biology

# Life's Unity

- **Respond to environment**
  - **Consume energy**
    - **Reproduce**
  - **Grown and develop**
    - **Homeostasis**
    - **Made of Cells**
- **Made of chemicals (carbohydrates, proteins, nucleic acids, lipids)**

# Biology

- Scientific study of life
- Lays the foundation for asking basic questions about life and the natural world

# Levels of Organization

Cell

Organism

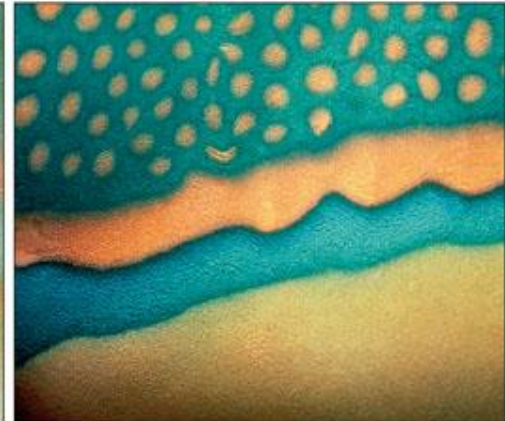
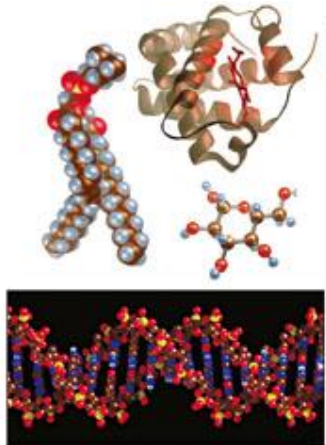
Population

Community

Ecosystem

Biosphere

# Levels of Organization



## **b** molecule

Two or more joined atoms of the same or different elements. "Molecules of life" are complex carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, DNA, and RNA. Only living cells now make them.

## **c** cell

Smallest unit that can live and reproduce on its own or as part of a multicelled organism. It has an outer membrane, DNA, and other components.

## **d** tissue

Organized array of cells and substances that are interacting in some task. Many cells (*white*) made this bone tissue from their own secretions.

## **e** organ

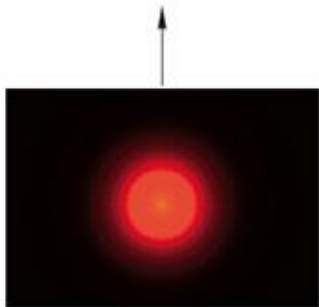
Structural unit made of two or more tissues interacting in some task. A parrotfish eye is a sensory organ used in vision.

## **f** organ system

Organs interacting physically, chemically, or both in some task. Parrotfish skin is an integumentary system with tissue layers, organs such as glands, and other parts.

## **a** atom

Elements are fundamental forms of matter. Atoms are the smallest units that retain an element's properties. Electrons, protons, and neutrons are its building blocks. This hydrogen atom's electron zips around a proton in a spherical volume of space.



# Levels of Organization



## **g** multicelled organism

Individual made of different types of cells. Cells of most multicelled organisms, including this Red Sea parrotfish, are organized as tissues, organs, and organ systems.

## **h** population

Group of single-celled or multicelled individuals of the same species occupying a specified area. This is a fish population in the Red Sea.

## **i** community

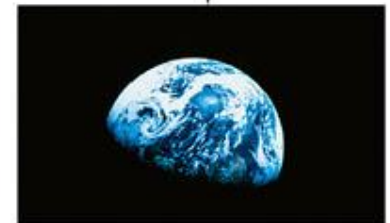
All populations of all species occupying a specified area. This is part of a coral reef in the Gulf of Aqaba at the northern end of the Red Sea.

## **i** ecosystem

A community that is interacting with its physical environment. It has inputs and outputs of energy and materials. Reef ecosystems flourish in warm, clear seawater throughout the Middle East.

## **k** the biosphere

All regions of Earth's waters, crust, and atmosphere that hold organisms. In the vast universe, Earth is a rare planet. Without its abundance of free-flowing water, there would be no life.





# Diversity of Life

- Millions of living species
- Millions more now extinct
- Classification schemes attempt to organize diversity



# Scientific Names

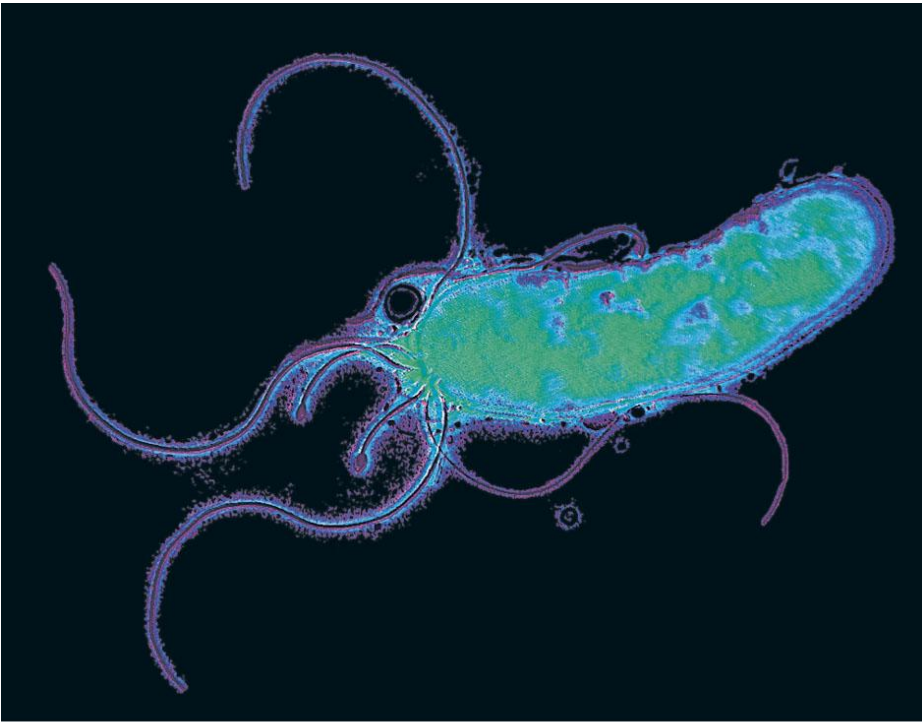
- Devised by Carolus Linnaeus
- **First name is genus (plural, genera)**
  - *Homo sapiens* - genus is *Homo*
- **Second name is species within genus**
- Domain, kingdom, phylum, class, order, family, genus, species



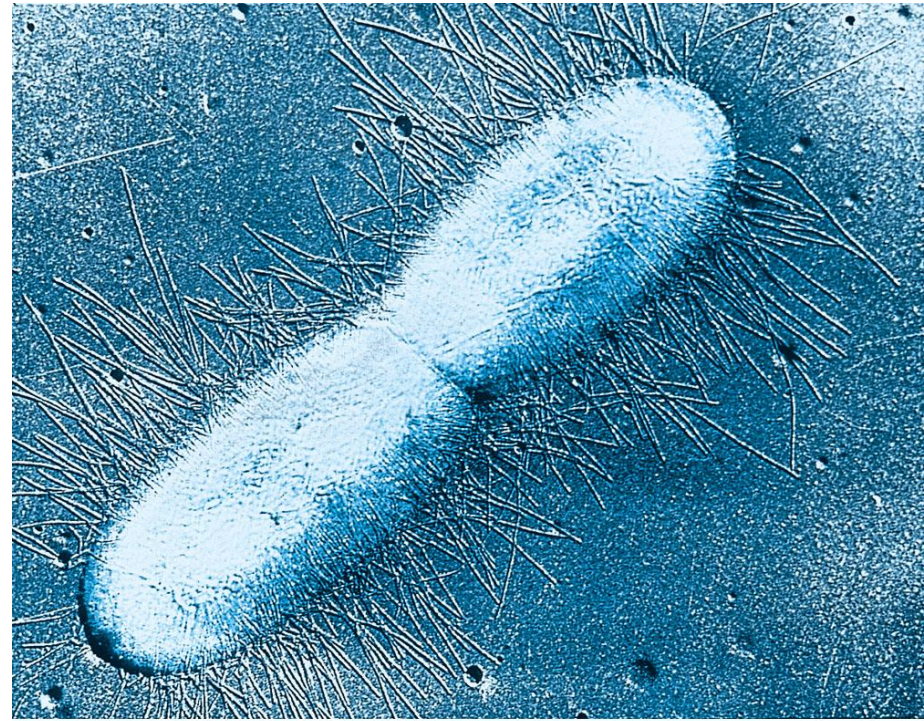


# Examples of Life's Diversity

## Bacteria



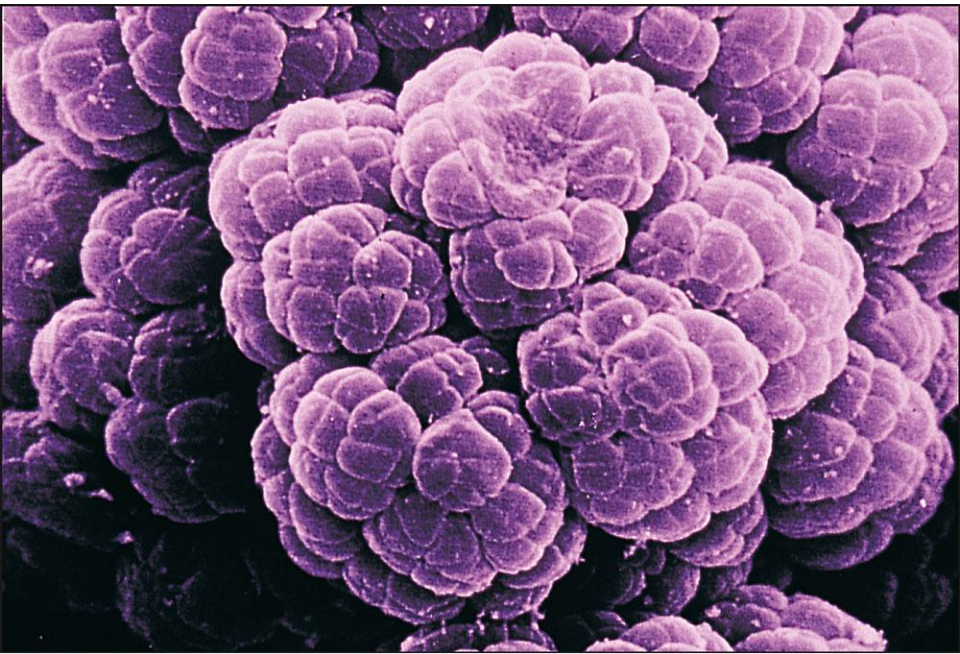
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## Archaea



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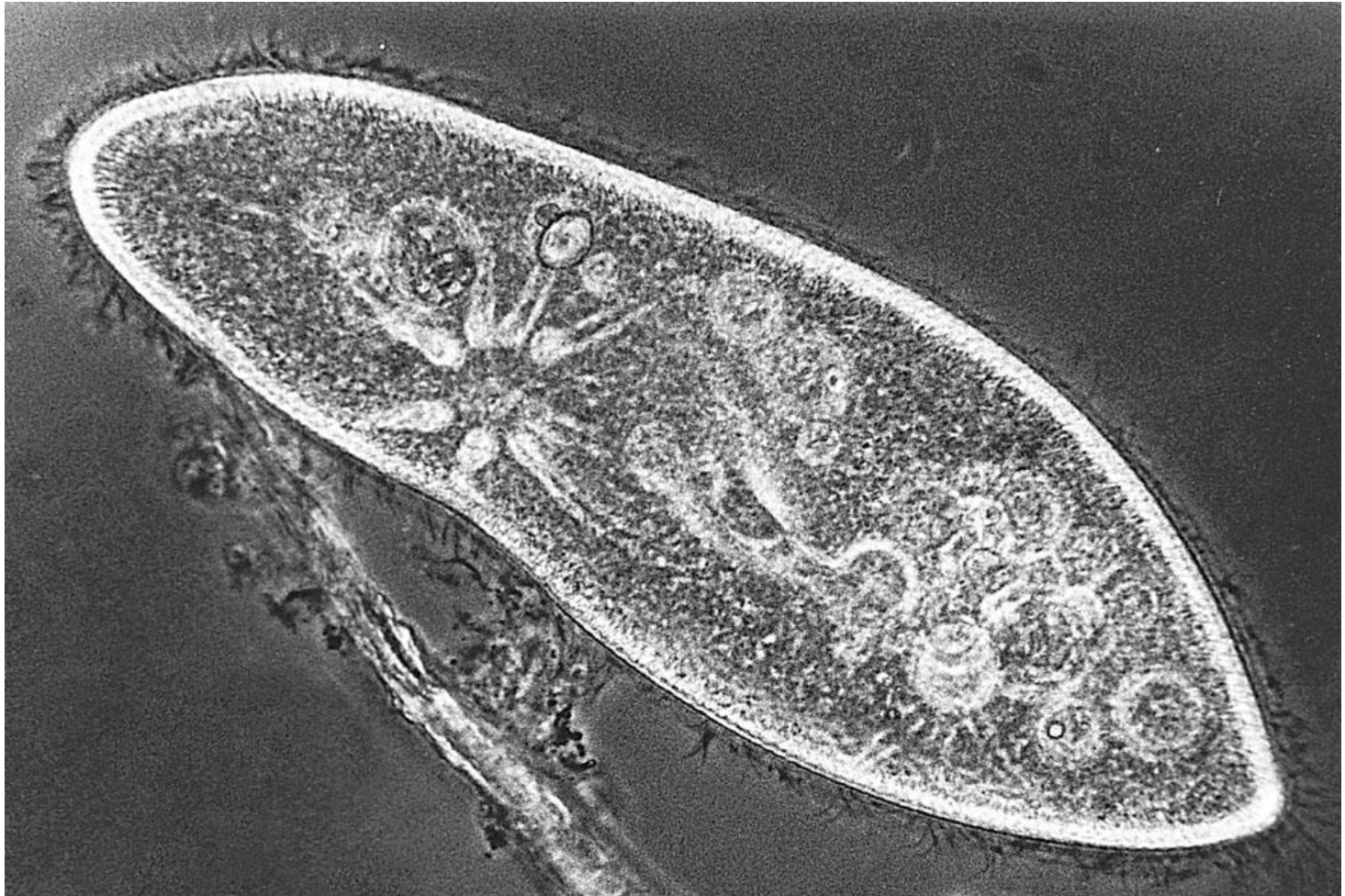
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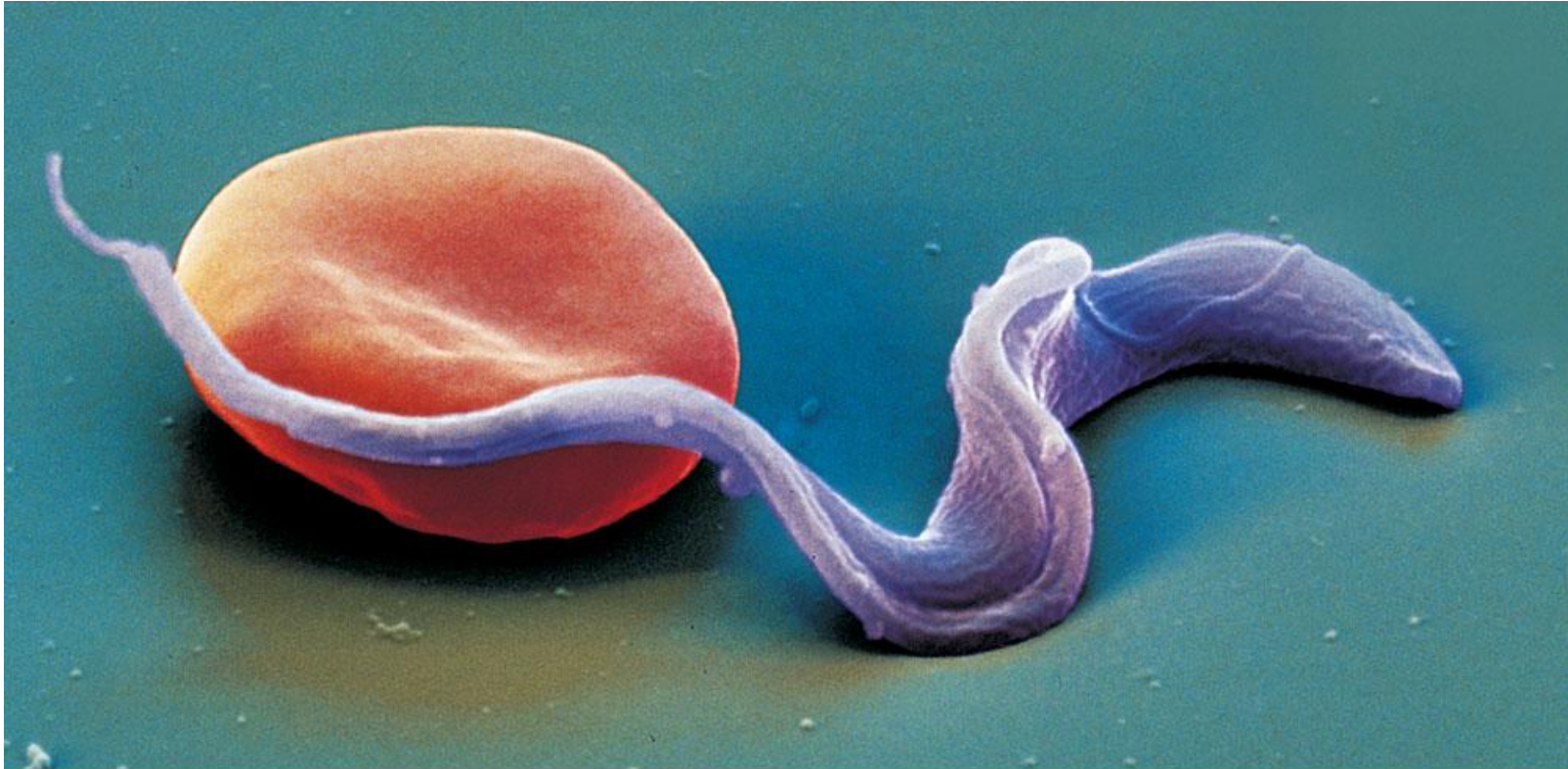
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## Plants



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Fungi



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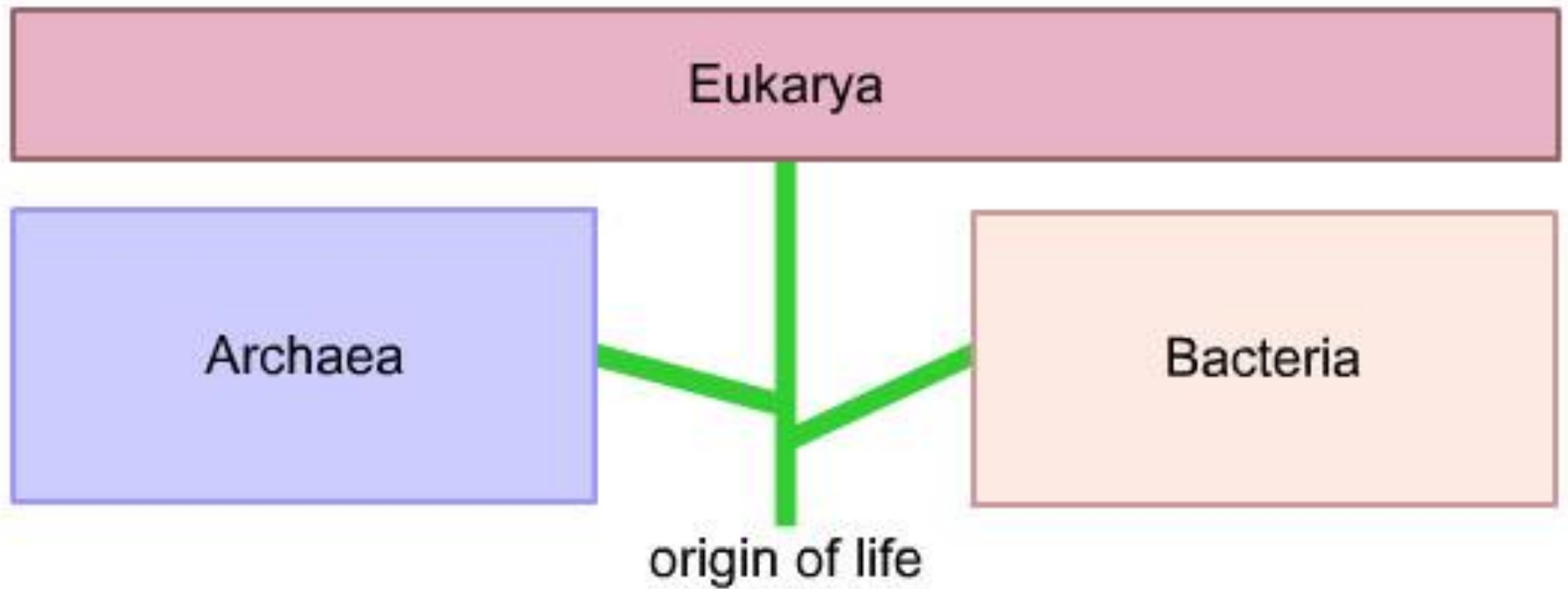
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## Animals



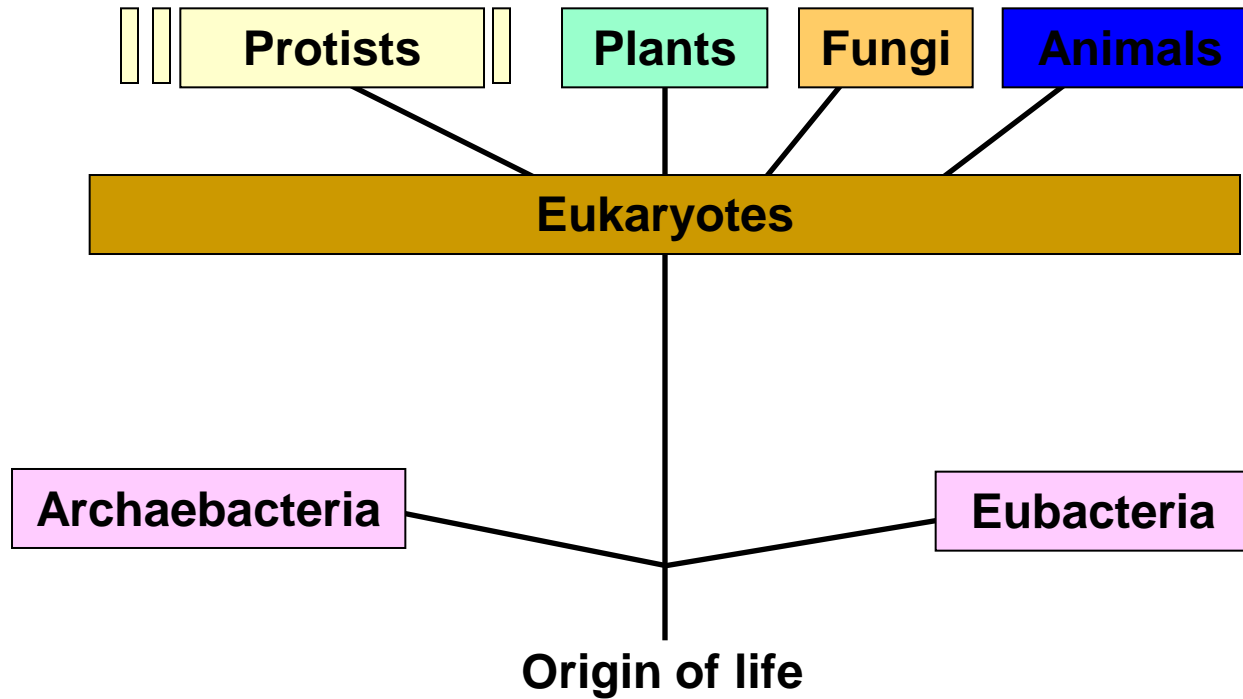
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## Three Domains





# 6 Kingdoms



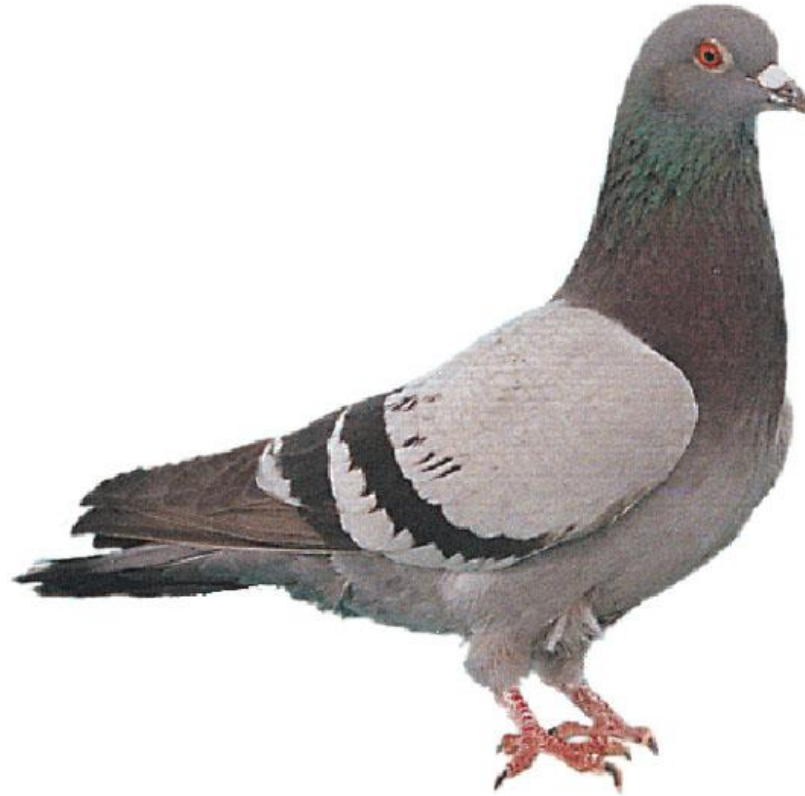
# Evolution

- Genetically based change in a line of descent over time
- Population changes, not individuals
- Mutations
- Natural Selection

# Artificial Selection

- Breeders are selective agents
- Individuals exhibiting favored traits are bred
- Favored traits become more common in population

# Domesticated Pigeons

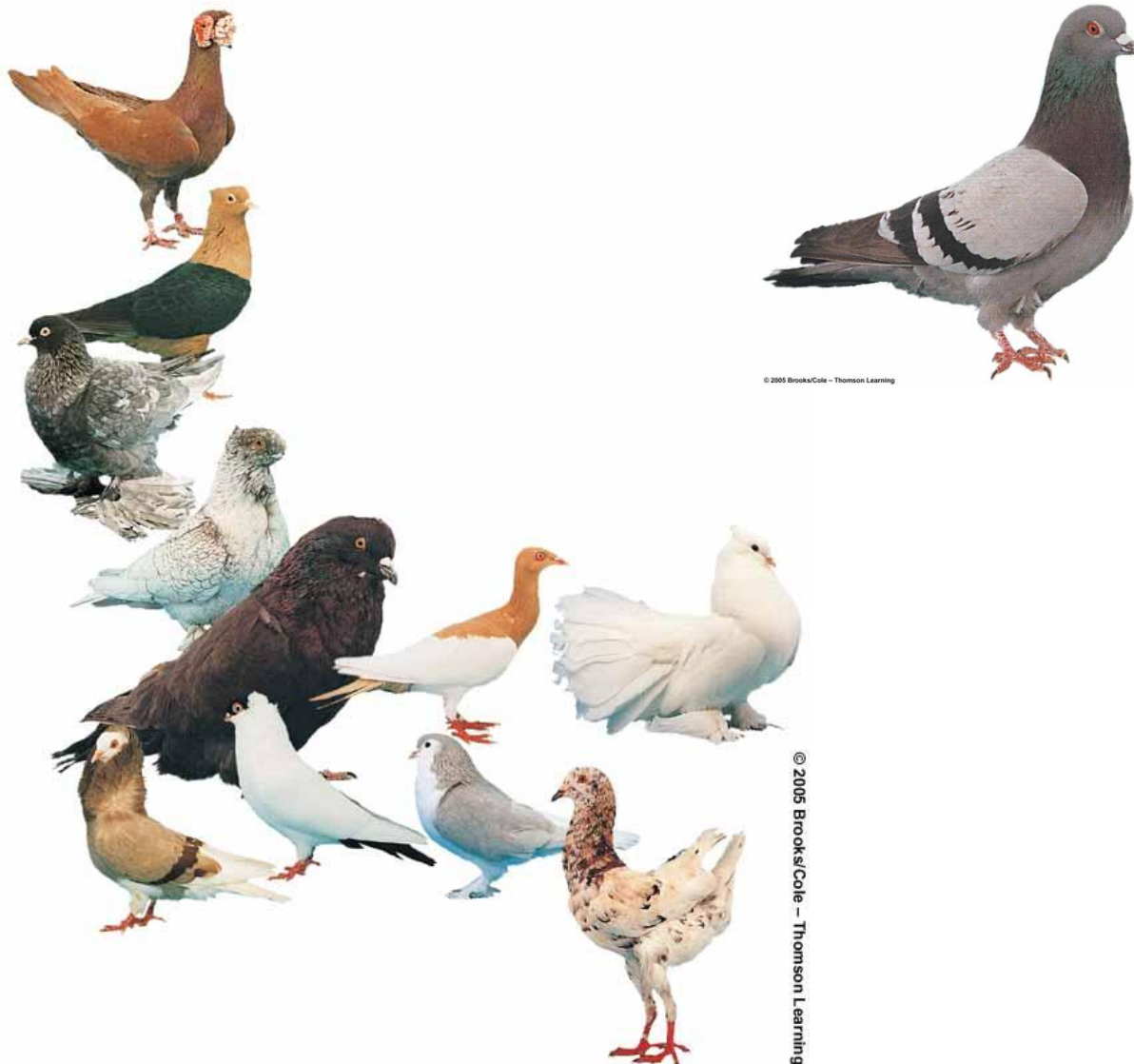


WILD ROCK DOVE

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## Stepped

**Fig. 1-9b, p.10**



# Natural Selection

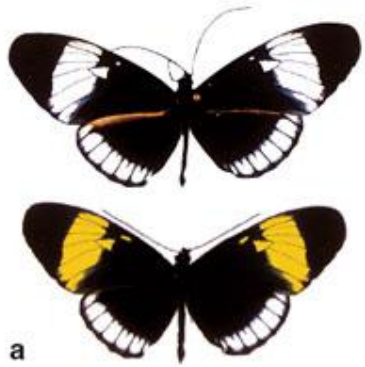
- Individuals vary in some heritable traits
- Some forms of heritable traits are more adaptive
- Natural selection is differences in survival and reproduction among individuals that vary in their traits
- Adaptive forms of traits become more common than other forms

# Scientific Method

- **Observe** phenomenon
- Develop **hypotheses**
- Make **predictions**
- Devise **test** of predictions
- Carry out test and **analyze** results

# Role of Experiments

- Used to study a phenomenon under known conditions
- Allows you to predict what will happen if a hypothesis is not wrong
- Can never prove a hypothesis 100% correct
- Take a look at page 12-13



a

b

### Experimental Group

34 yellow

*H. cydno* butterflies



### Control Group

46 white

*H. cydno* butterflies



### Experiment

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### Results

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c

d





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**b**



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