

Evolving Ideas: Who Was Charles Darwin?

Please watch the video entitled “Evolving Ideas: Who was Charles Darwin” from PBS. The answer the following questions as you view this film.

1. The naturalist Charles Darwin once wrote “I felt like a blind man, given sight”. What did Darwin mean by this statement?
2. What did Darwin collect during his voyage on the HMS Beagle?
3. What was considered Darwin’s “conclusion that could not be escaped”? Why was this so controversial?
4. What was holding Darwin back from publishing his thoughts and discoveries about species?
5. What did Darwin’s book “The Origin of Species” introduce to the public? What was his mechanism of change?
6. Why does Darwin’s theory help us to understand “why biology makes sense”?