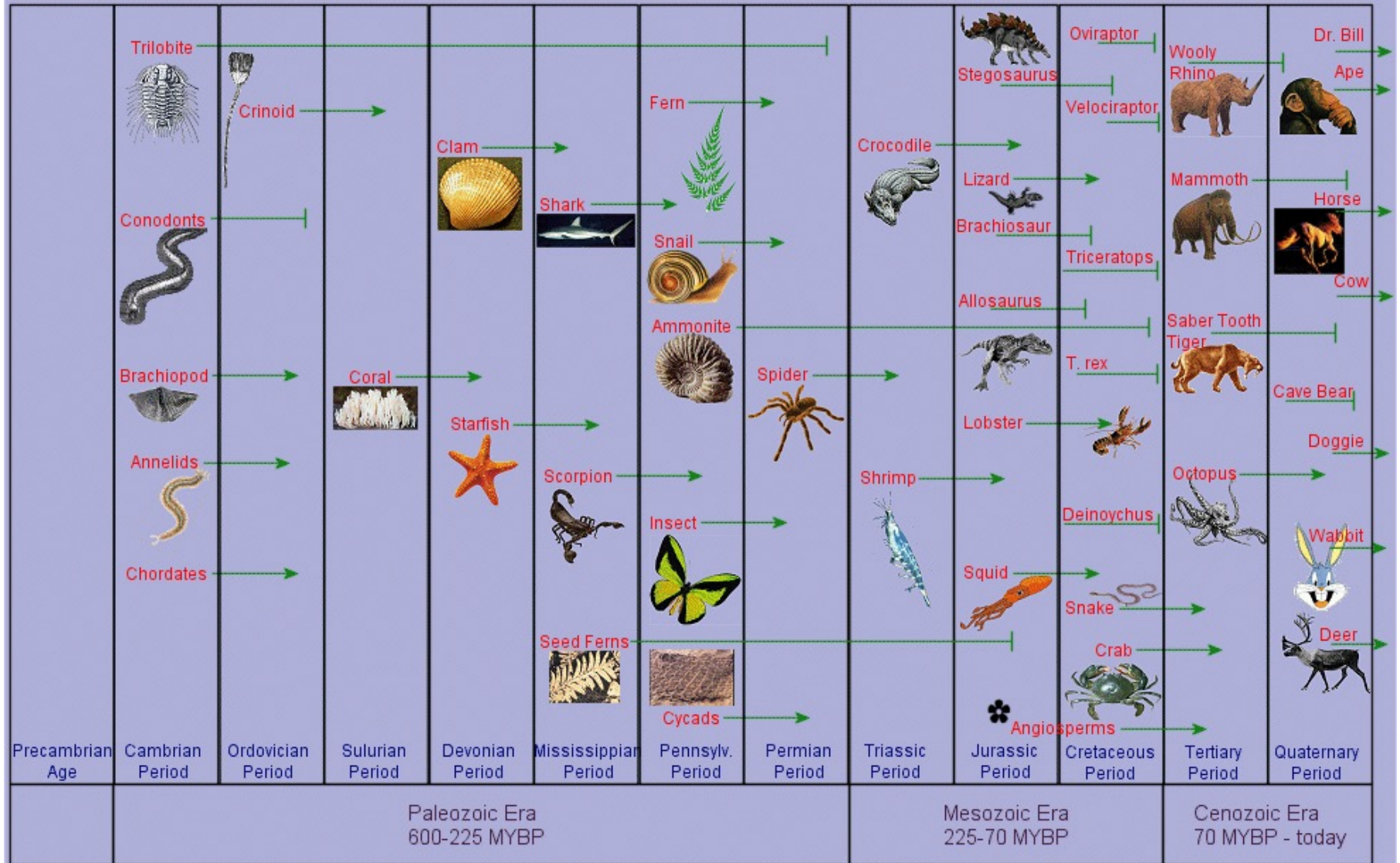


Time Line



December	November	31	27	28	29	30	1	2
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October	September	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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		16	17	18	19	20	21	22
June	May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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April	March	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		12	13	14	15	16	17	18
February	January	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		29	30	31	1	2	3	4

1: Earth forms

29-11: Oldest known rocks

12: Oldest chemical evidence of life

1-2: Oldest fossil cells

17: First eukaryotes

1-7: First multicellular organisms (algae)

12-13: First animals with shells and limbs

26: First animals with vertebrae

30: First land plants

1: First land animals

26: Extinction of dinosaurs

31: *Homo sapiens* appears one hour before midnight. Humans set foot on Moon $\frac{1}{4}$ second before midnight

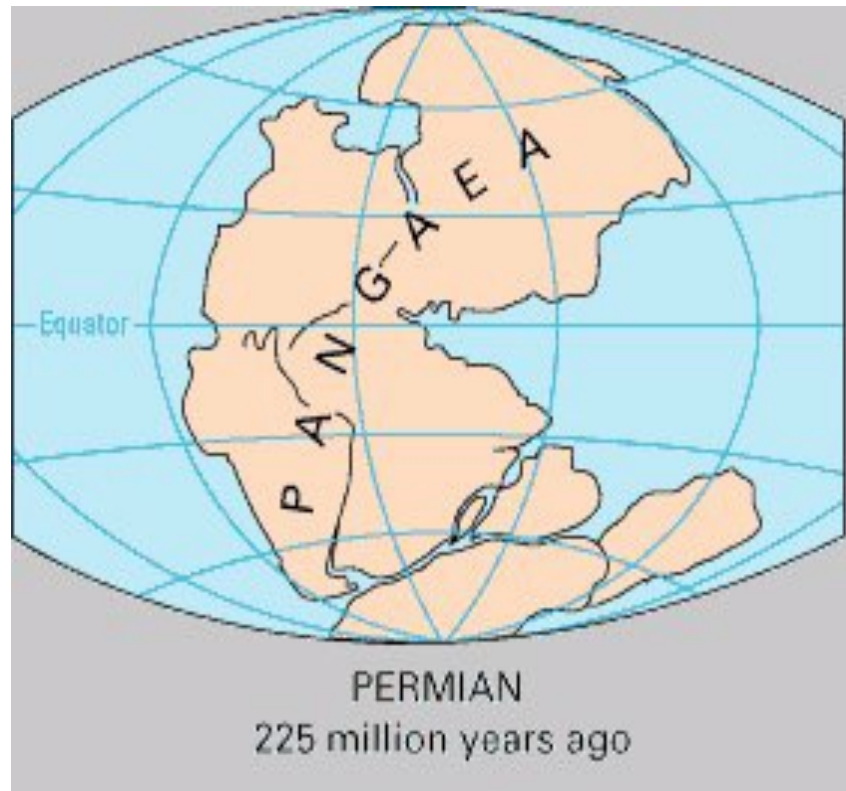
1 day = 12.6 million years
1 second = 143 years













Gondwanaland

(approx. 75 mya)



Milestones in 10 Million Years of Human Evolution

10 million

Bipedalism



5 million

4 million

Australopithecus

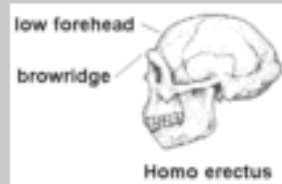


3 million

First stone tools



Homo erectus
brain size = 800 cm³



2 million

Homo habilis

Homo erectus

1 million

Signs of camps & meat eating
Use of fire



700,000

Environment of Evolutionary Adaption

200,000

Homo sapiens

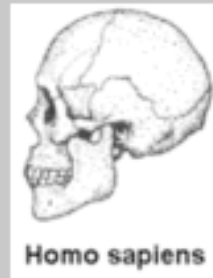
Advanced tools



100,000

Homo sapiens sapiens

- modern humans



Homo sapiens

40,000

Homo sapiens sapiens
brain size = 1700 cm³



Cave painting about
20,000 years old

10,000

150

Industrial revolution

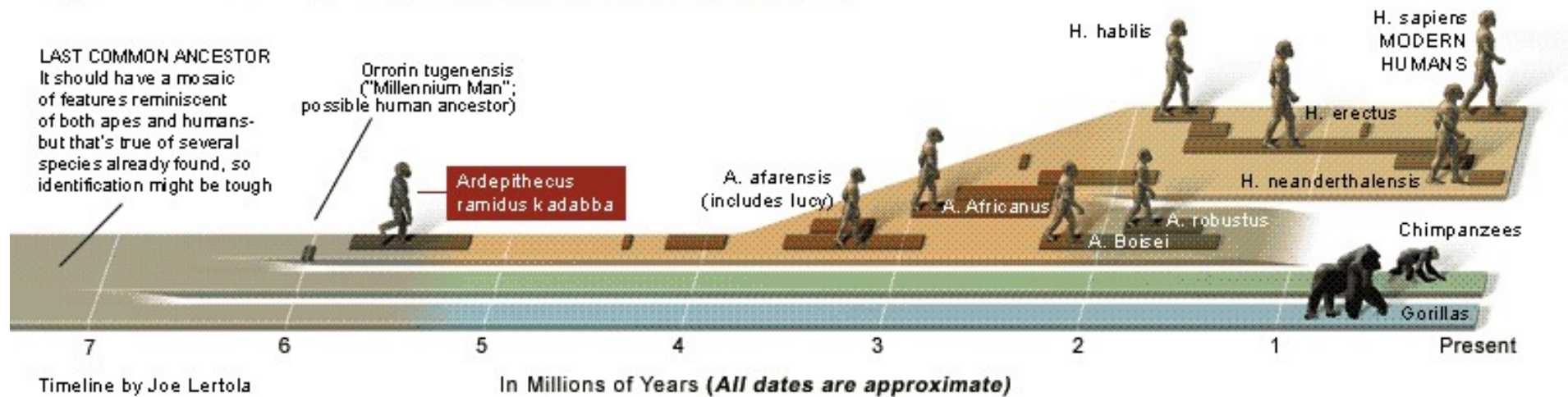
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Technological revolution



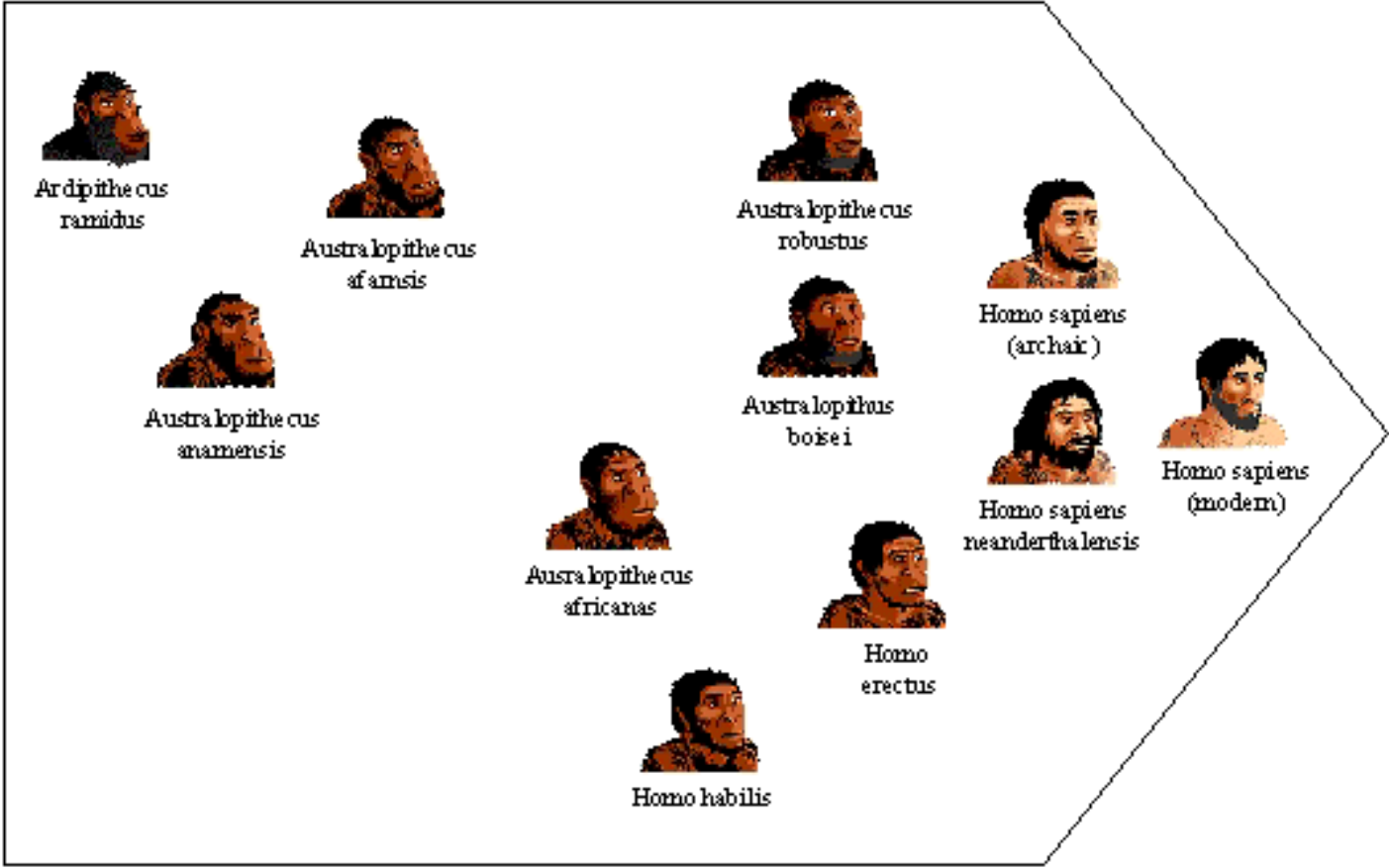
A WALK THROUGH HUMAN EVOLUTION

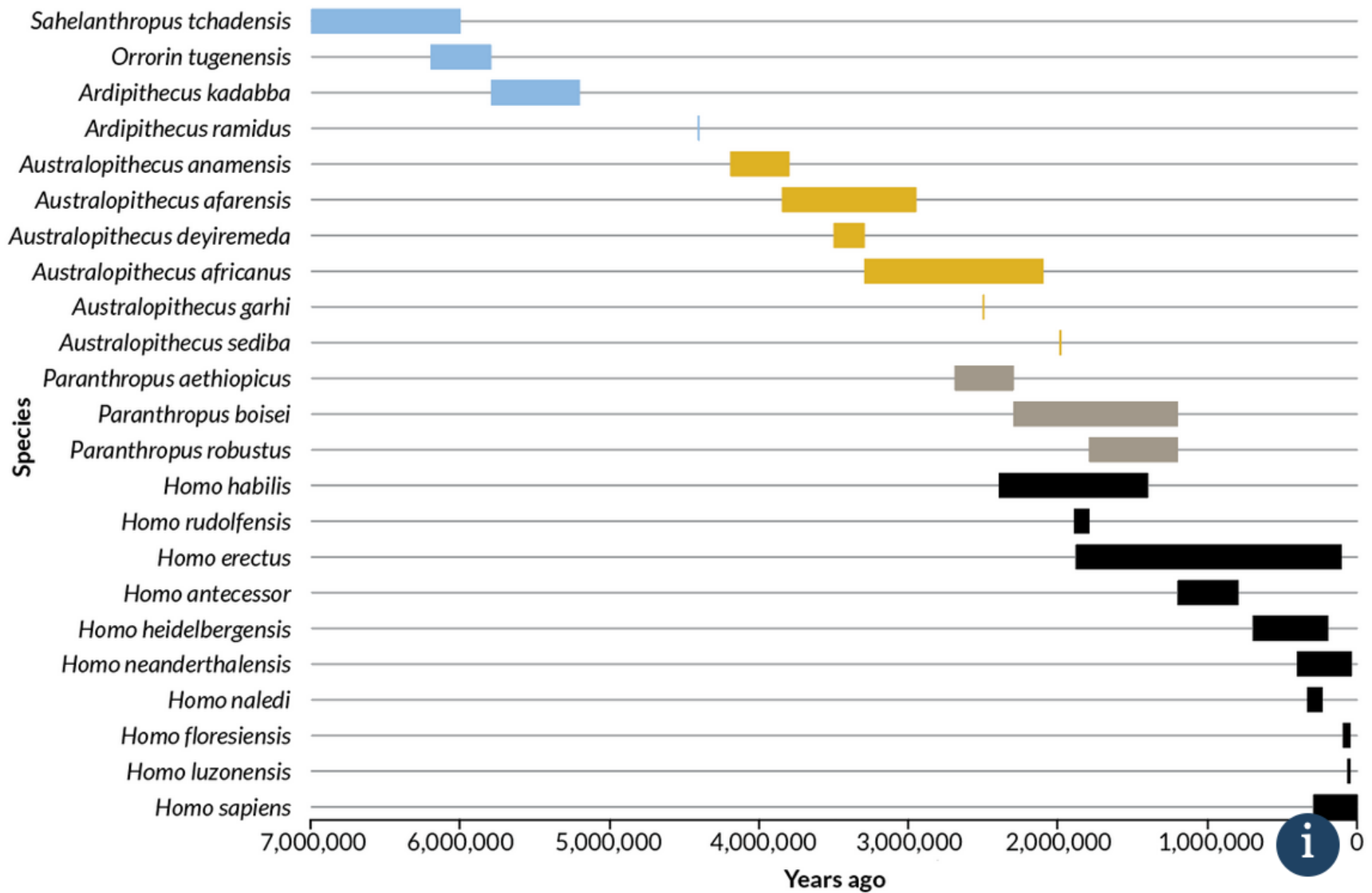
The newest fossils have brought scientists tantalizingly close to the time when humans first walked upright—splitting off from the chimpanzees. Their best guess now is that it happened at least 6 million years ago [Click here to read the cover story >>](#)



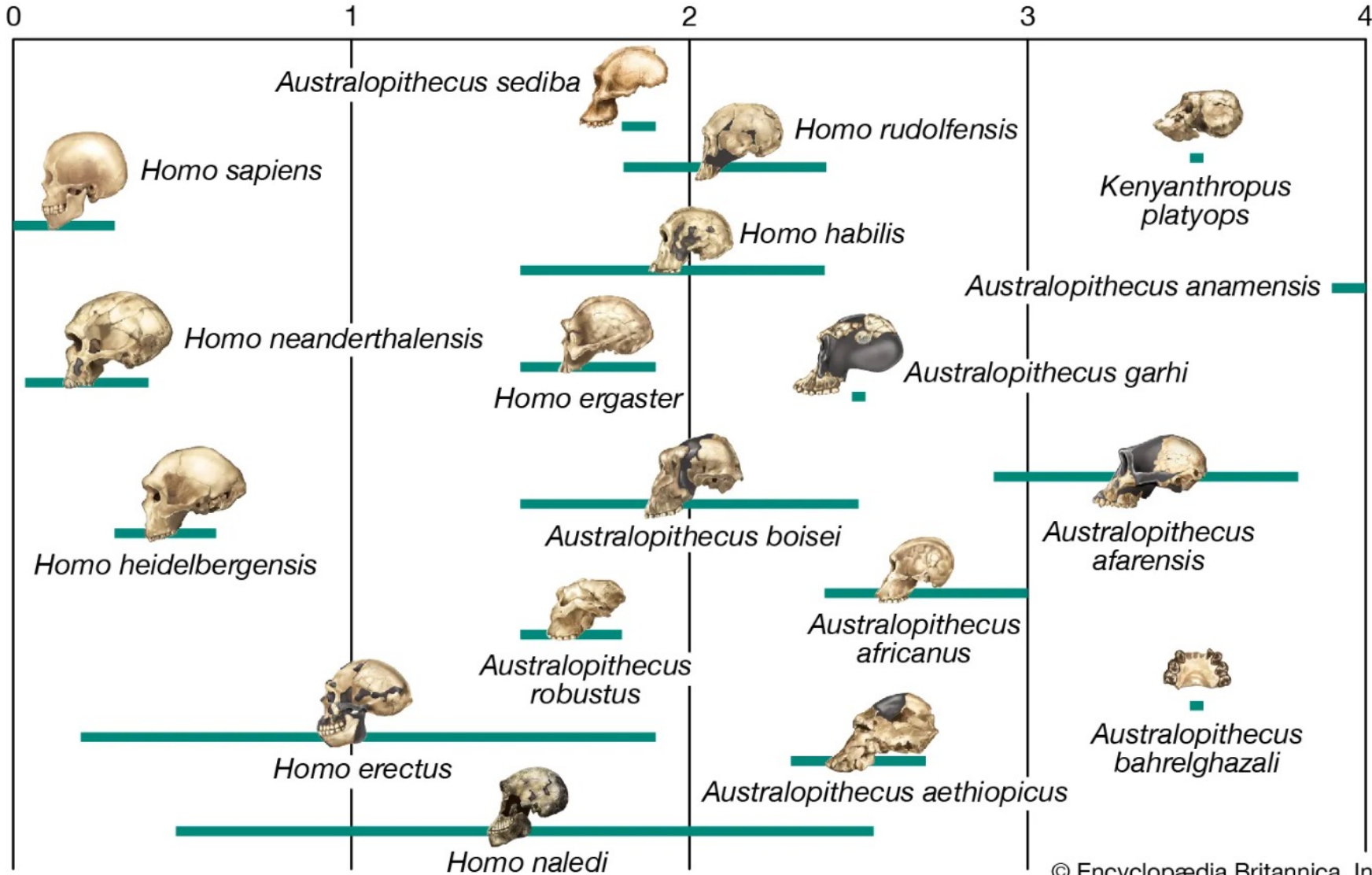
Million Years Ago

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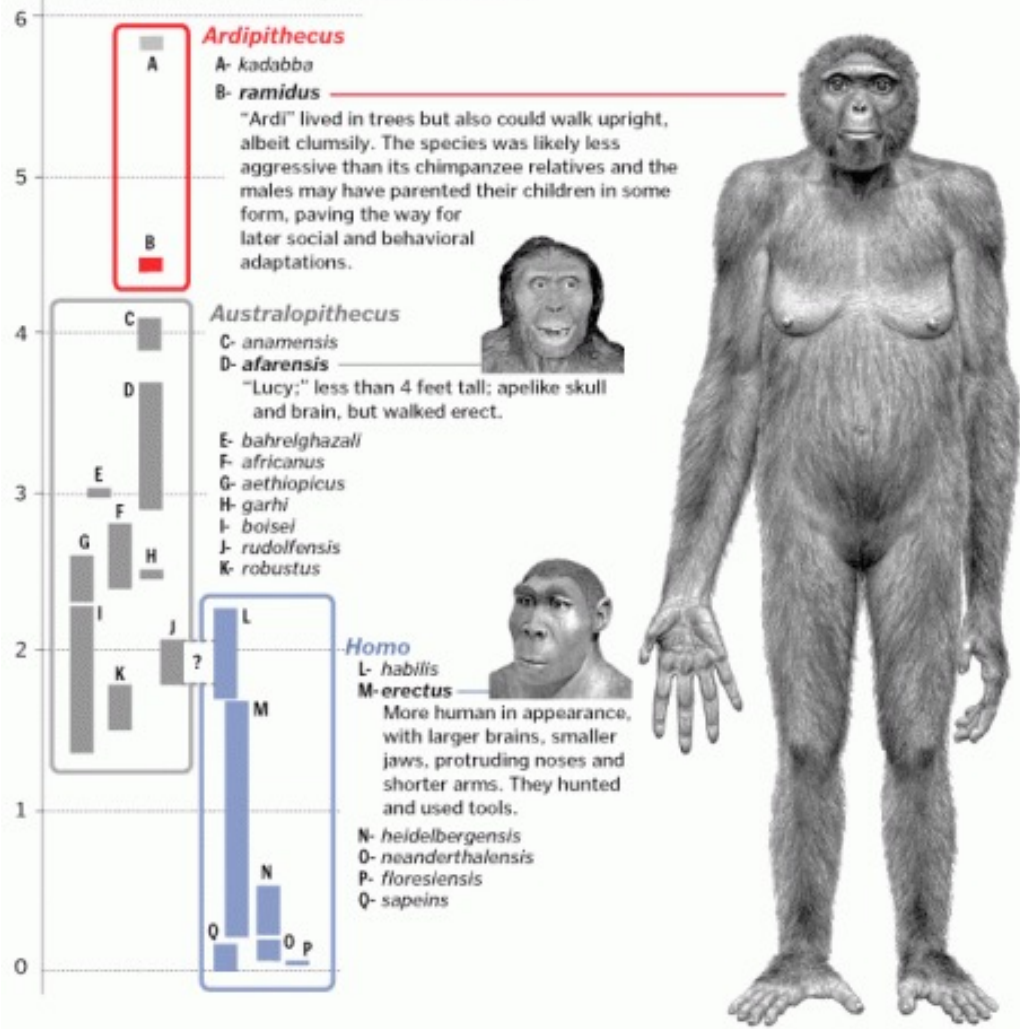


millions of years ago



MILLIONS OF YEARS BEFORE THE PRESENT (Proximity of lines suggests evolutionary relationship)

The last species before humans split from other primates existed more than 6 million years ago. This Holy Grail for anthropologists has not been found.



Ardipithecus ramidus

Advantages of Bipedalism

- * Increased Field of Vision
- * Free Hands
- * More Efficient Body Cooling
- * More Energy Efficient for Long Distance Travel
- * More Visible, Threatening Displays



Australopithecus Afarensis
(3 year Old Female)



Australopithecus africanus



Paranthropus bosei



Paranthropus robustus



Kenyanthropus Platyops

Homo naledi

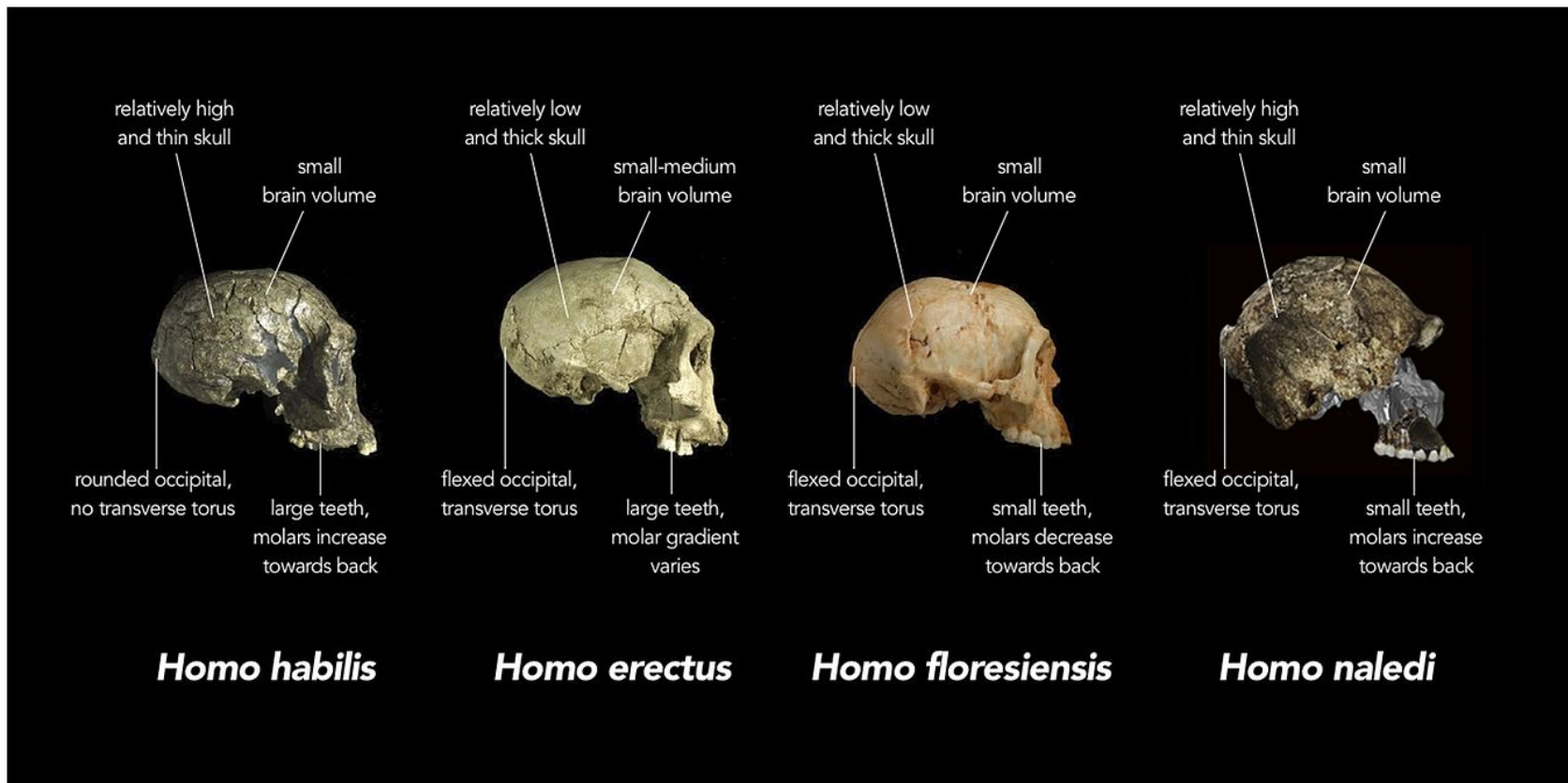


[Video Clip of Discovery](#)

Homo naledi

(approximately 300,000 years ago)

(A curious mix of very early evolutionary characteristics in a fairly recent creature)





Early Homo(Homo habilis?)



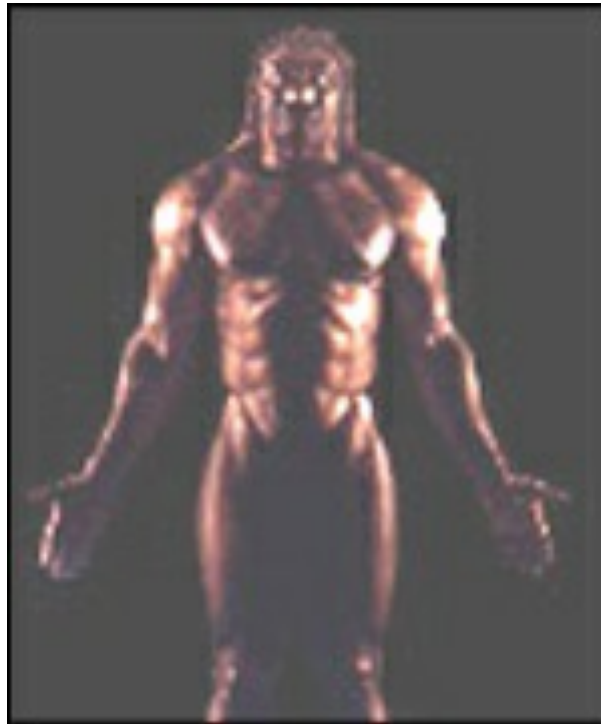
Homo ergaster



Homo ergaster (adolescent)



Homo erectus

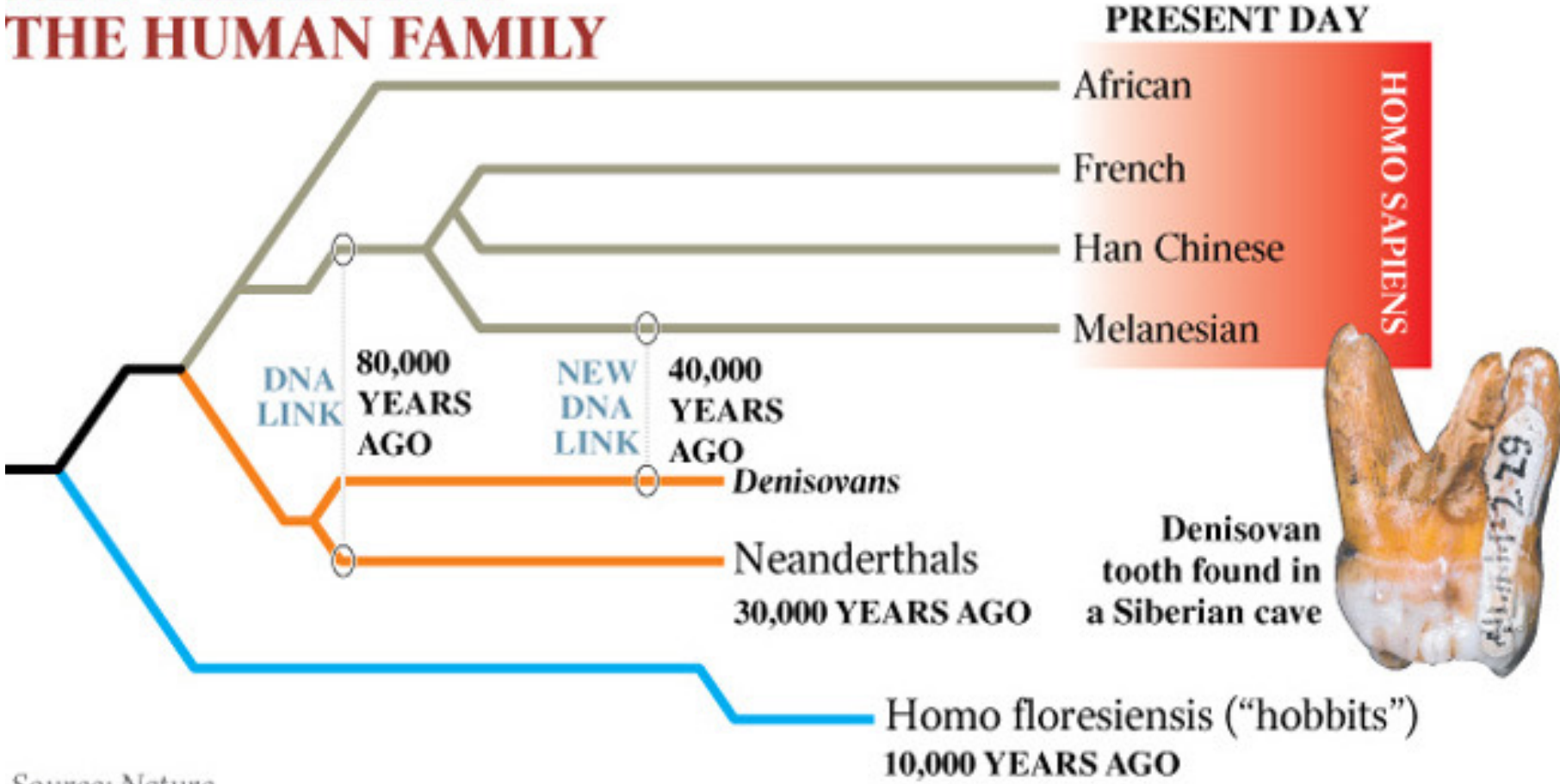


Homo heidelbergensis

Denisova Hominin



NEW MEMBER OF THE HUMAN FAMILY



Source: Nature



Homo neanderthalis
(action figure)



Homo neanderthalensis



Neanderthals may not have had a firm division of labor between males and females, as females also appear to have been designed for hunting.



Neanderthal & Homo sapiens skeletons



Homo floresiensis



Homo sapiens (archaic)



Homo sapiens sapiens

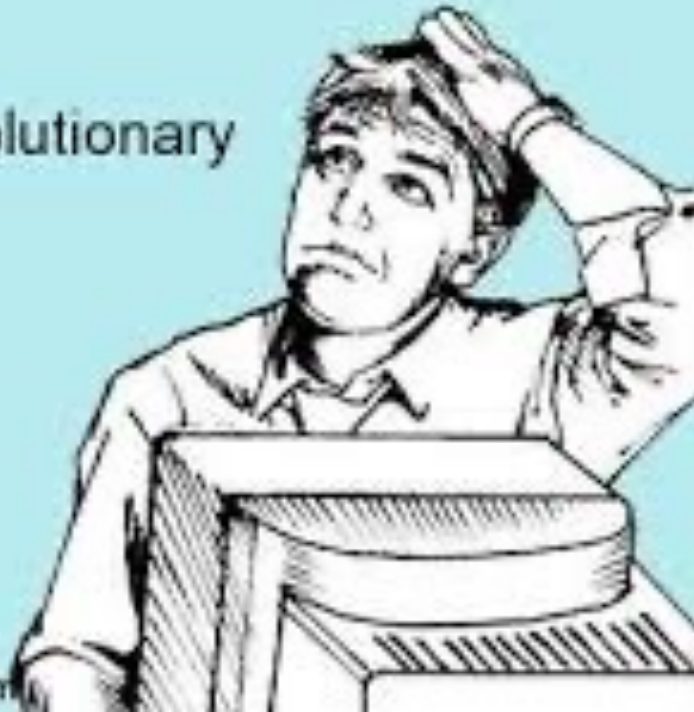
How was Homo Sapiens different from other homo species?

- Culture & Social-Learning Ability
- Tools from materials other than stone
- Wider variety of prey species (even fishing)
- Built shelters
- Higher population densities
- Longer lives
- Less disease & injury
- Art
- Sexual Division of Labor
- Prolonged juvenile period

The EEA

Do you know what **EEA** means?

Environment of Evolutionary
Adaptation



By AcronymsAndSlang.com



How Large Were Early Human Groups?



150 (Dunbar's Number)

DUNBAR'S NUMBER : 150

TYPICAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE CAN KEEP TRACK OF AND
CONSIDER PART OF OUR ONGOING SOCIAL NETWORK

150
TRIBE

50
CLAN

15
SUPER
FAMILY

5
CLOSE
FRIENDS

← WEAKER
TIES

→ MORE INVESTMENT
IN RELATIONSHIP

DANG! NOW,
WHAT WAS THEIR
NAME AGAIN?



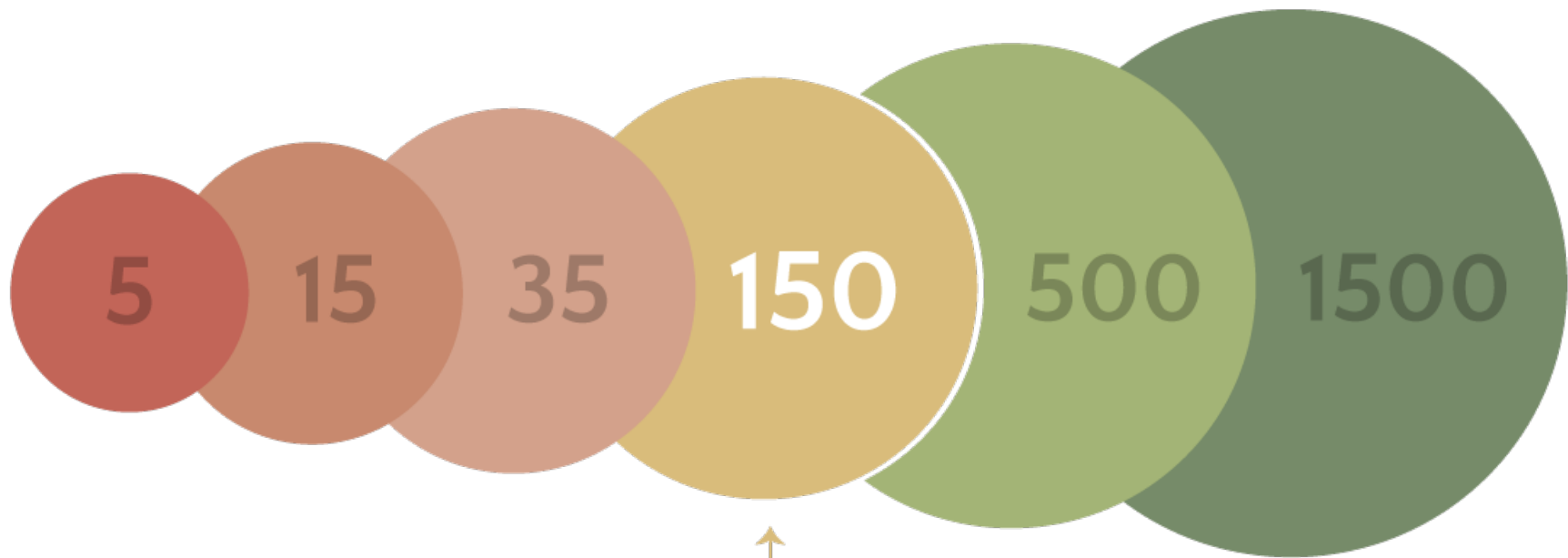
sketchplanations

The Ratio of the Neocortex to the rest of the Brain Predicts the Naturally Occurring Size of Primate Social Groups



150 is a consistent size for:

- Hunter-Gatherer “Clans”
- Farming Villages in the Middle East 7,000 years ago
- Small farming communities around the world today
- Religious Cults
- Church Congregations
- Military Companies
- Optimal Size for high school graduating classes



Dunbar's Number

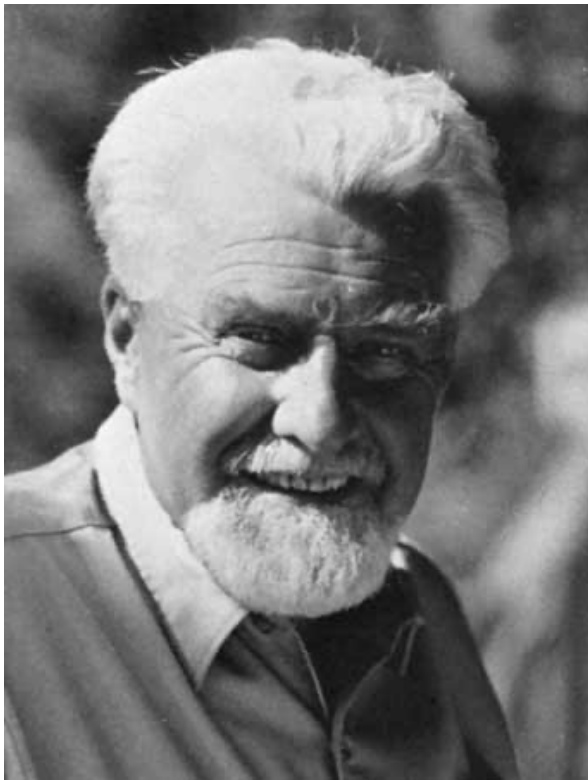
the max number of relationships a person can maintain

Biophilia & the Green Experience

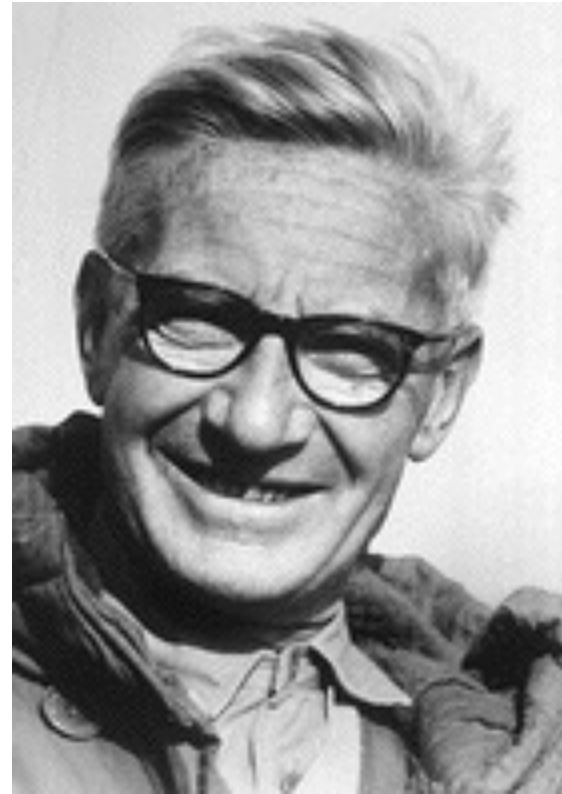
- Are human landscape preferences evolutionarily determined?



Ethology



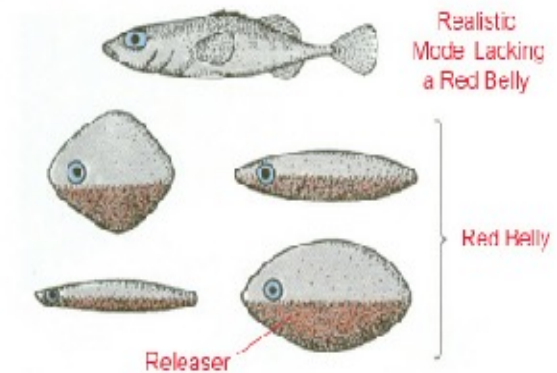
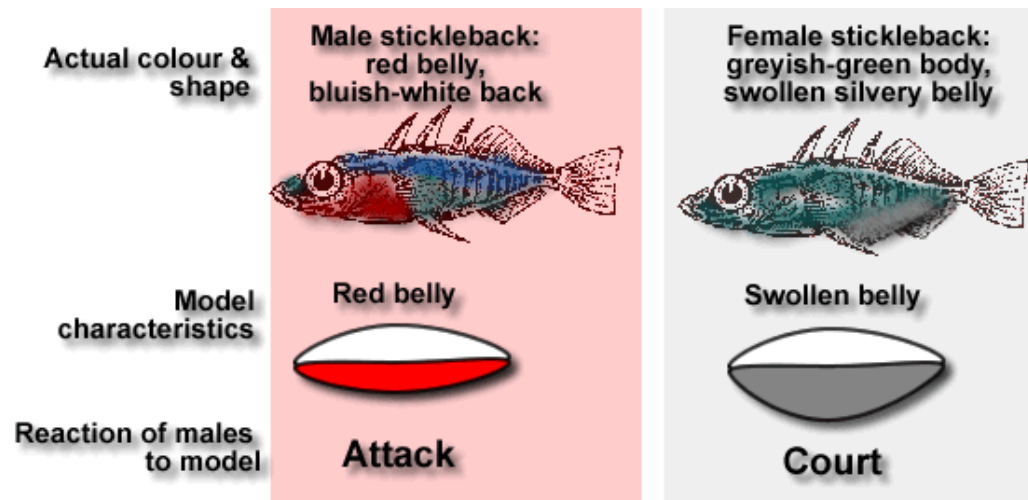
Konrad Lorenz (1903-1989)

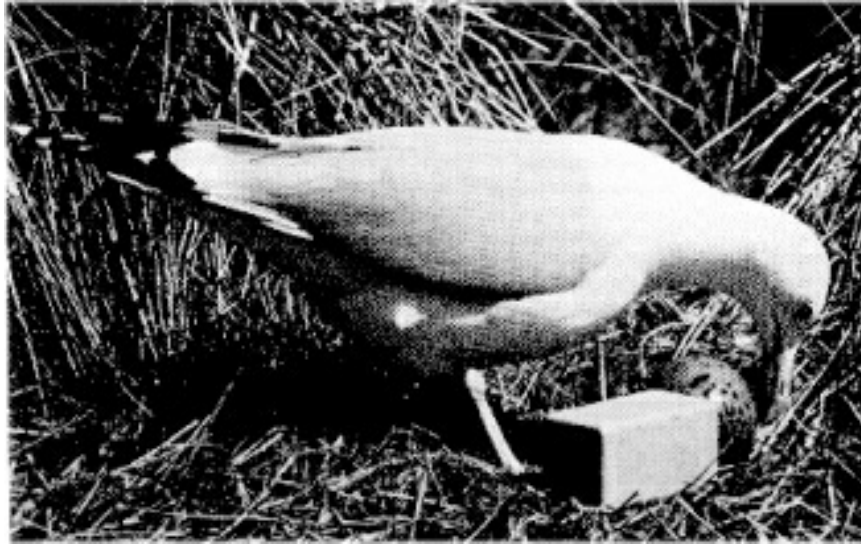


Niko Tinbergen (1907-1988)



RELEASER STIMULUS





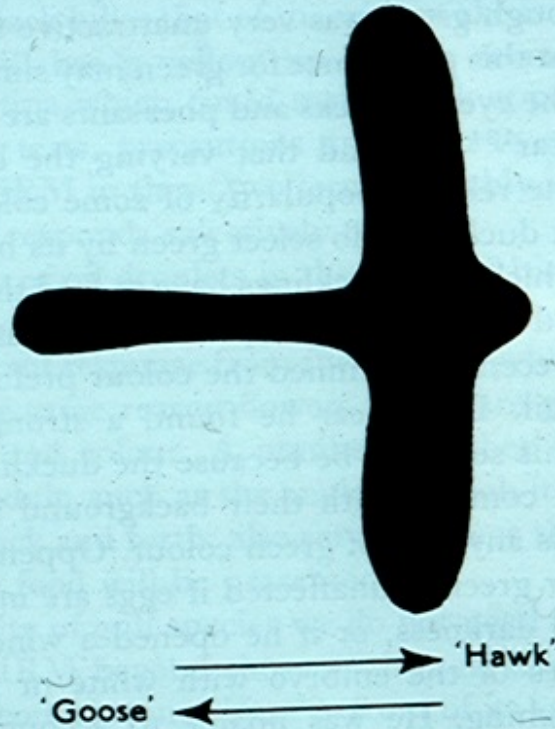


Fig. 3.8 The 'hawk-goose' silhouette used in experiments on the alarm response of geese and game-birds. (From Tinbergen,²⁵⁸ 1951, *The Study of Instinct*. Oxford University Press, London.)

Newly Hatched Cuckoos Push Eggs of Host Out of Nest



Laughing Gull Chicks Feeding



Snake Phobias



Snake Phobias

- A variety of animals ranging from ground squirrels to monkeys have an innate fear of snakes and have evolved numerous behavioral strategies for dealing with them









Imprint Training



Cuckoo



Cowbird



Mockingbird



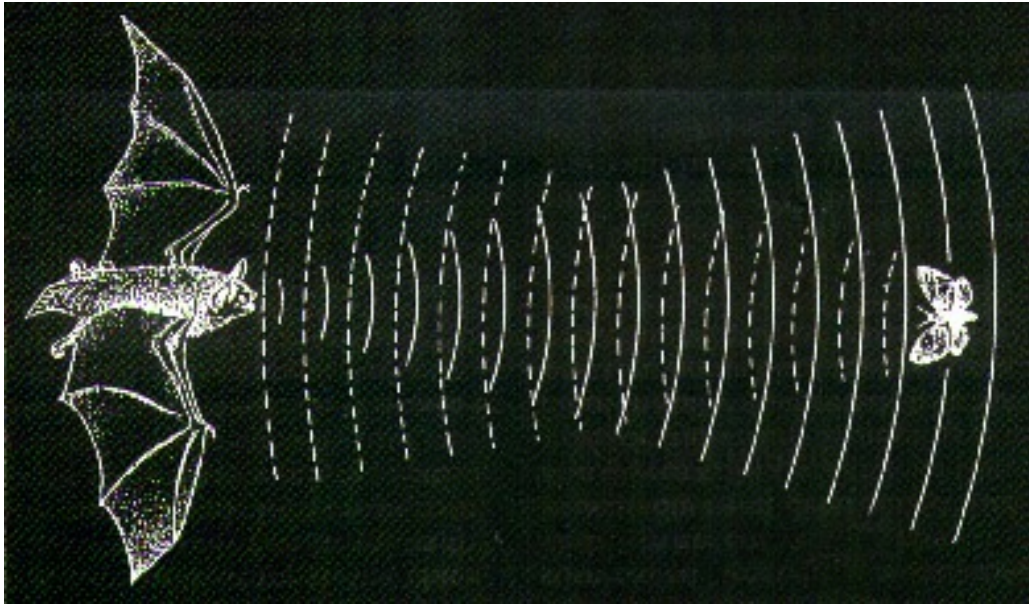
Song Sparrow



White Crowned Sparrow



Chaffinch

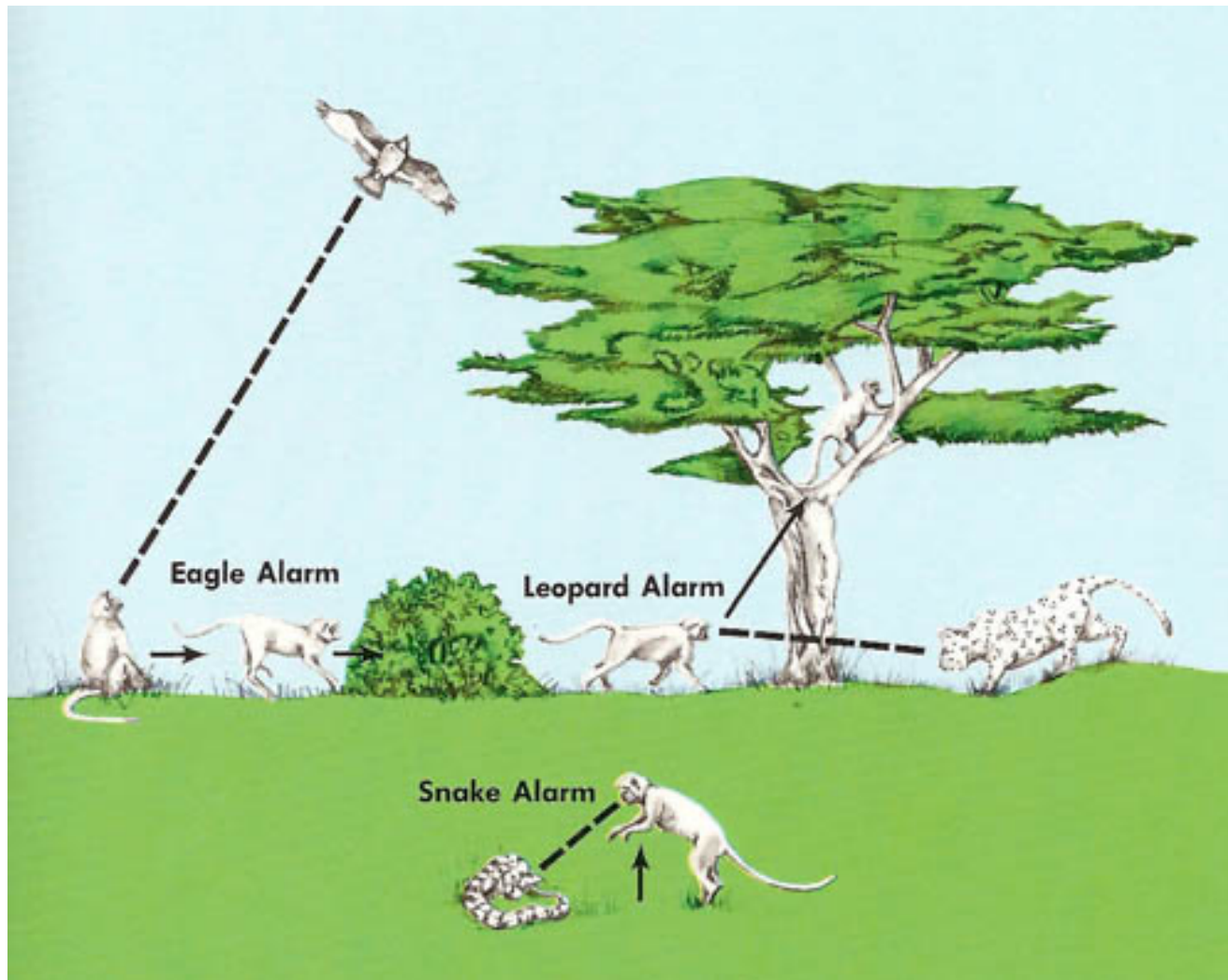




Predator-Specific Alarm Calls in Vervet Monkeys



Predator-Specific Alarm Calls in Vervet Monkeys



Ritualization



[Human Ritualization](#)

Eyelike Stimuli Have Arousing Properties & Humans are prewired to respond to eyes



Natural Selection for Eyelike Stimuli

- Eye Spots
- Eye Patches
- Eye Rings

Eye Spots



Eye Spots



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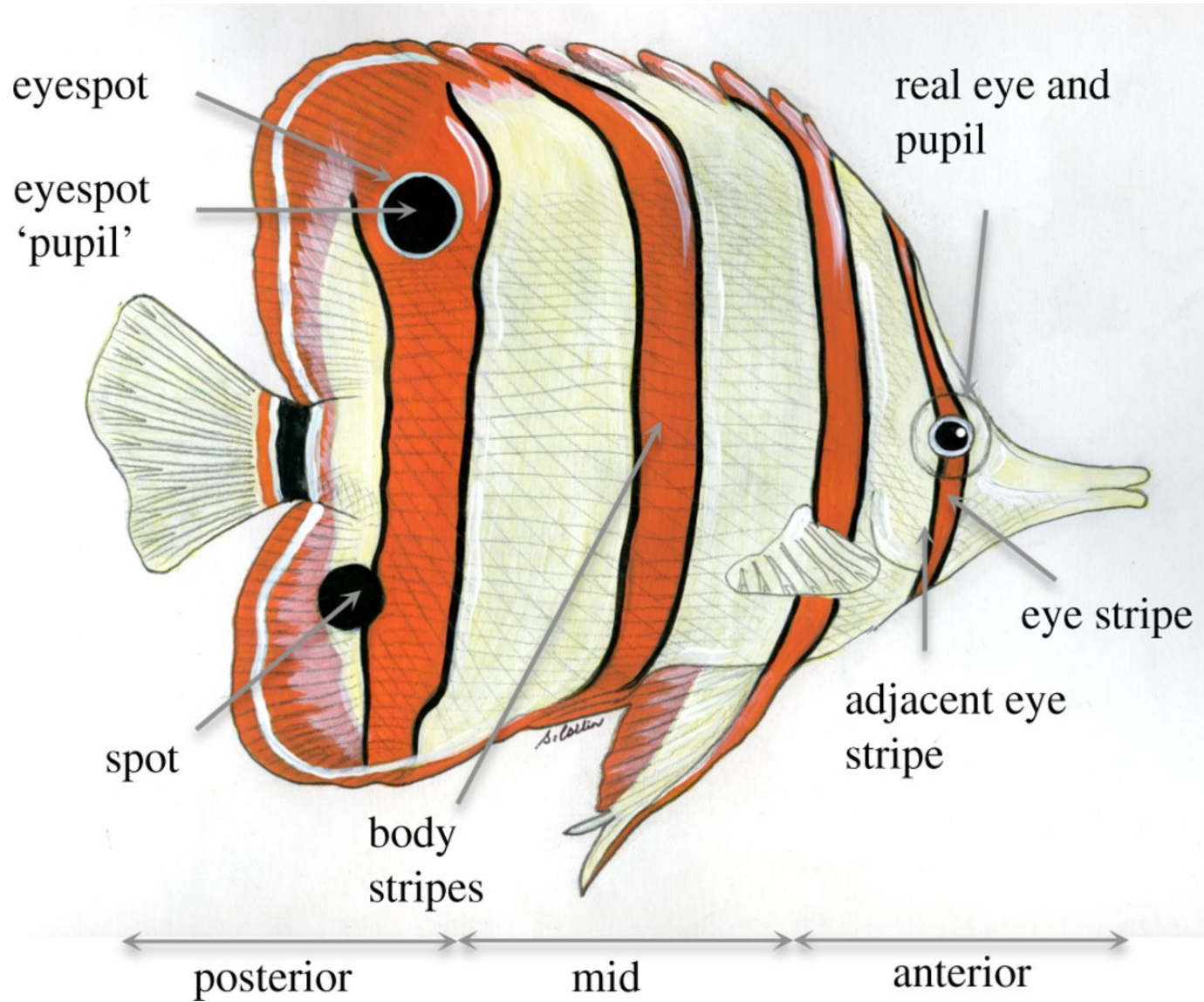
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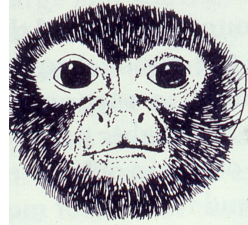
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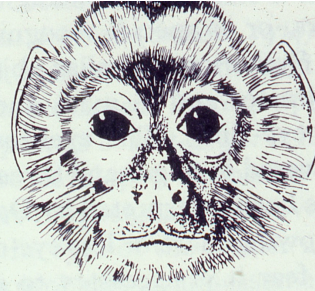
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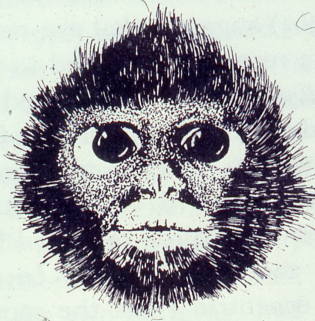
Pygmy Marmoset
(*Cebuella pygmaea*)



White-throated Capuchin
(*Cebus capuchin*)



White-collared Mangabey
(*Cercocebus torquatus*)



Dusky Leaf-monkey
(*Presbytus obscurus*)



Bornean Orang-utan



Man
(*Homo sapiens*)

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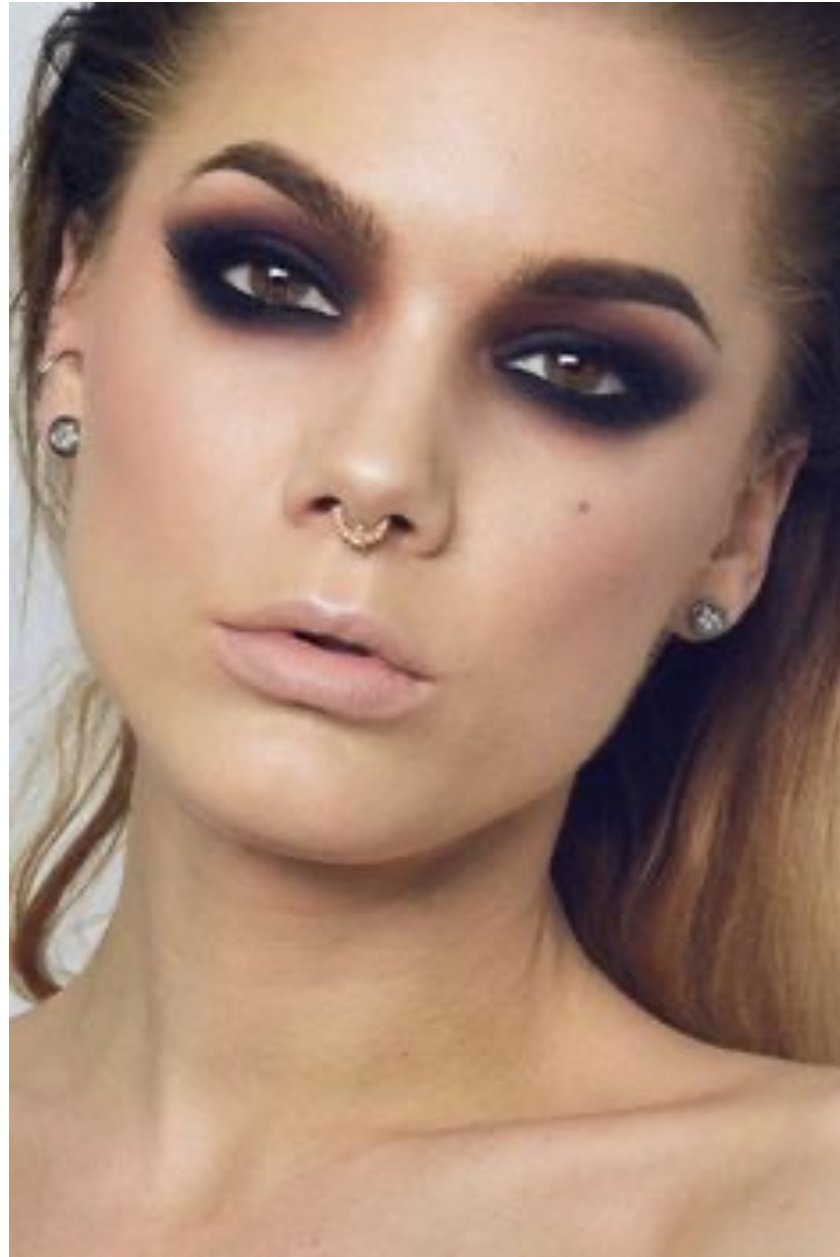
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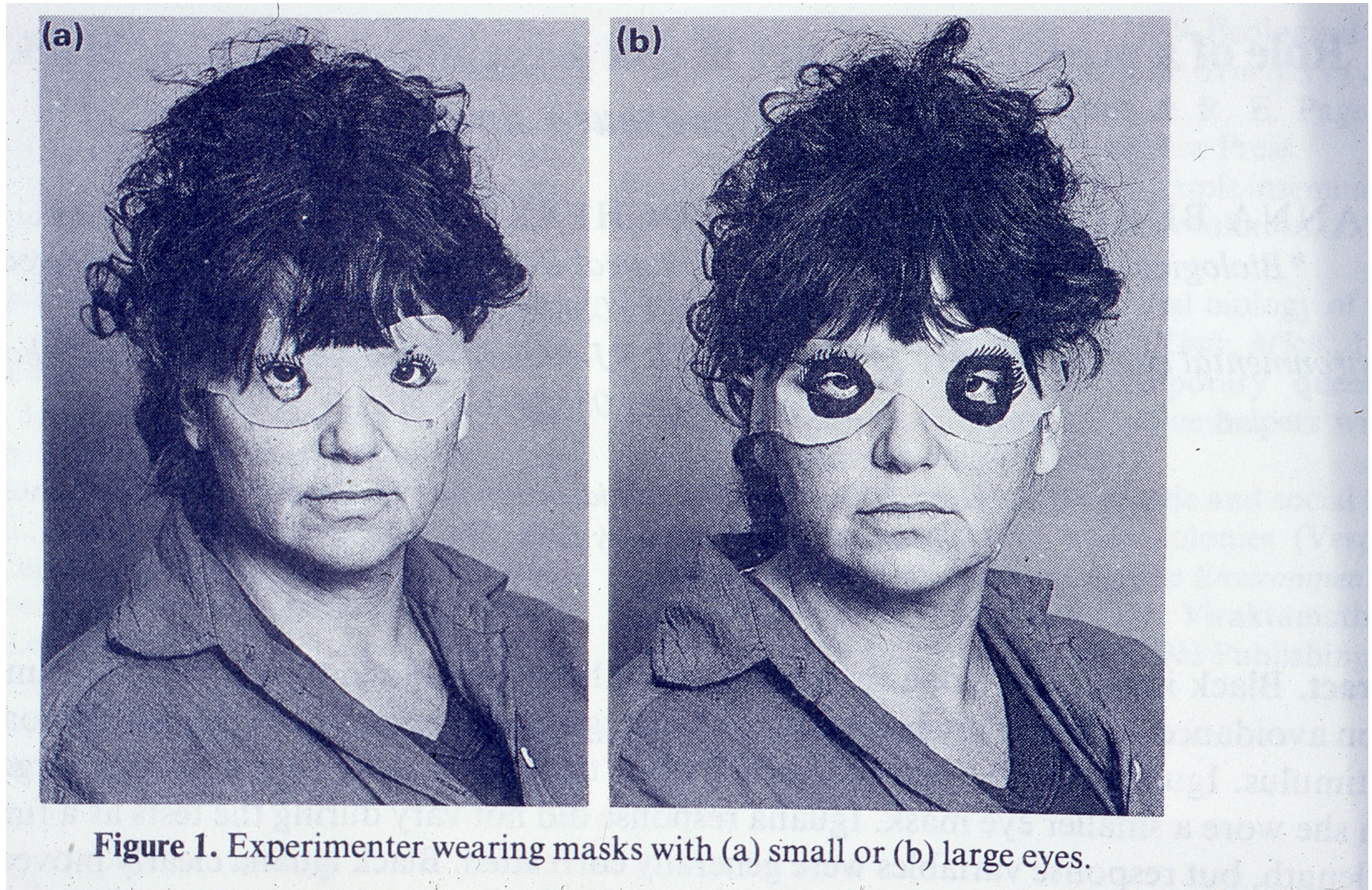
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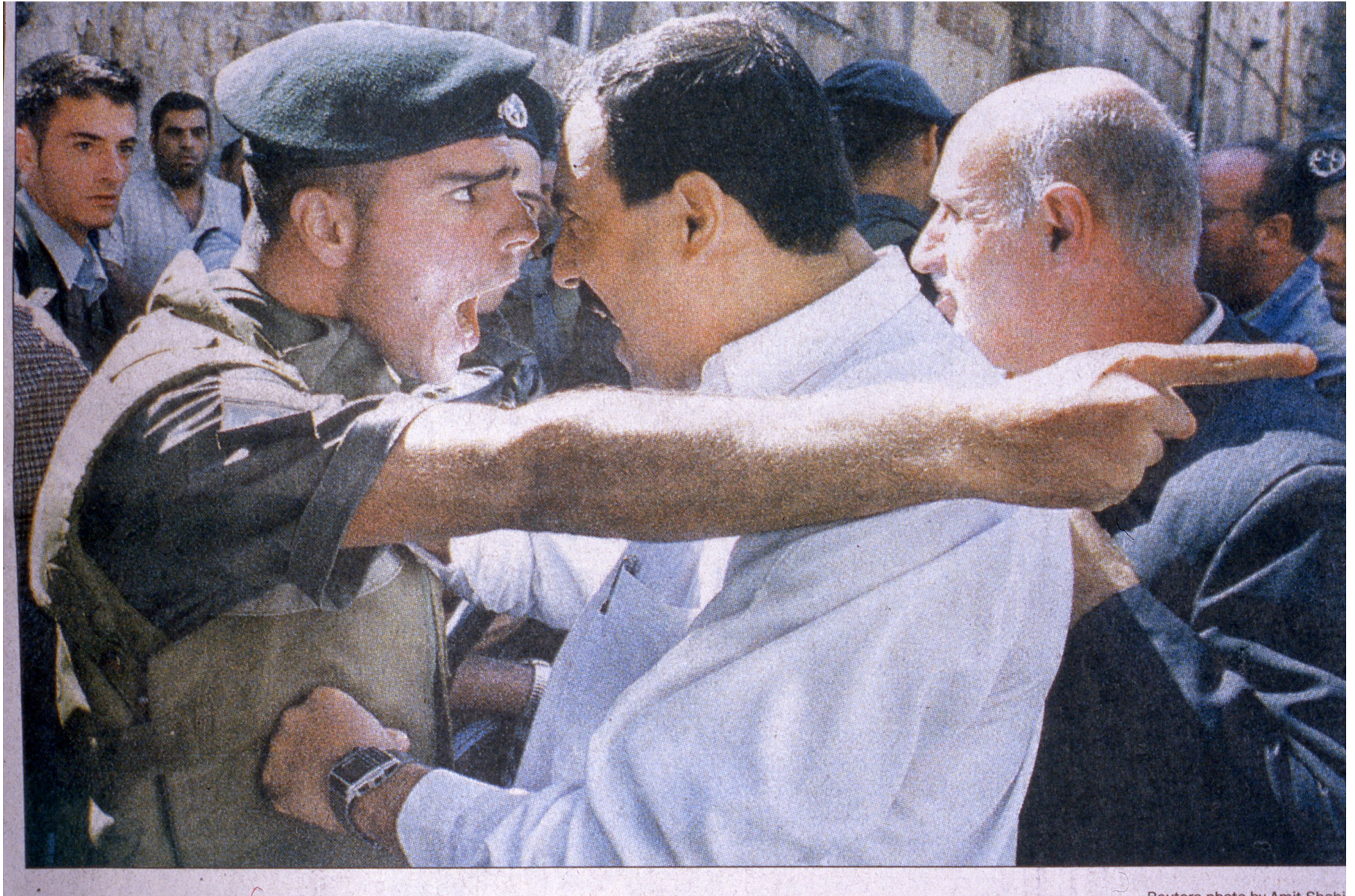
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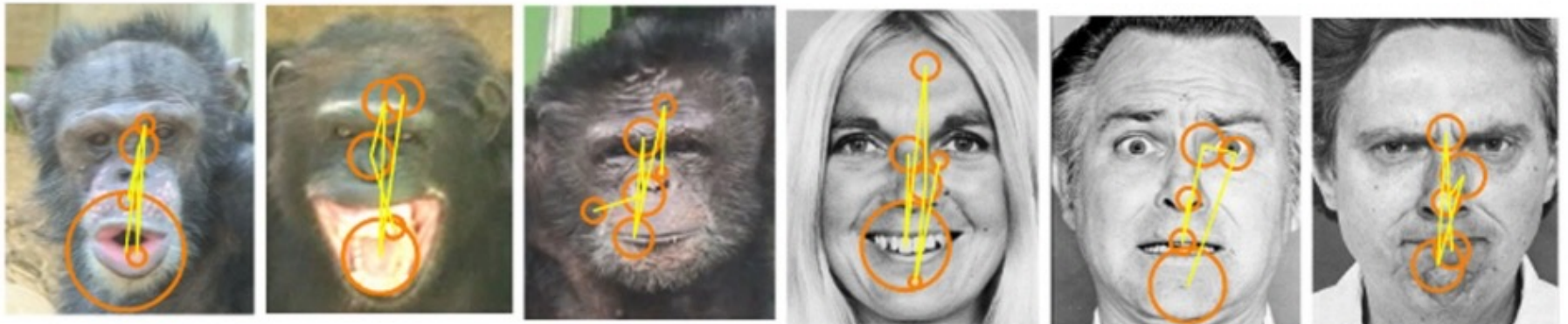


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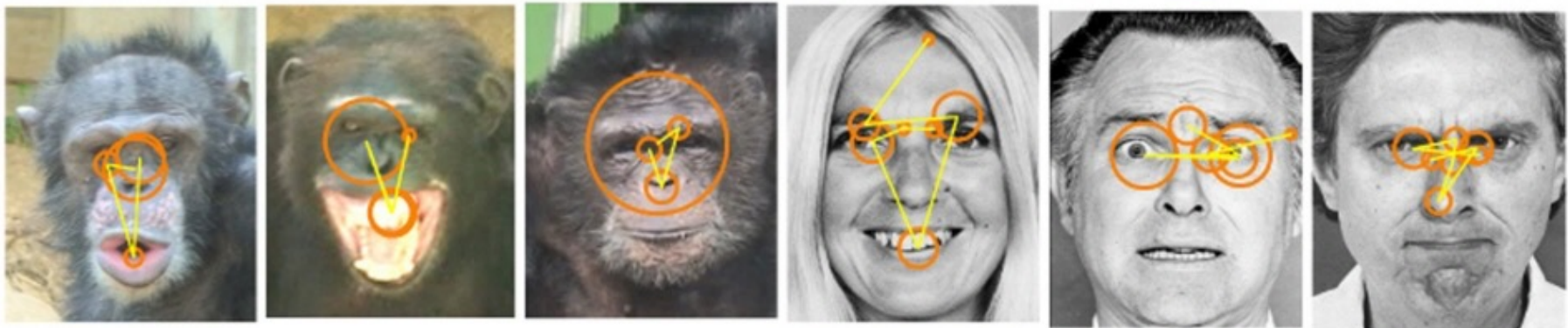


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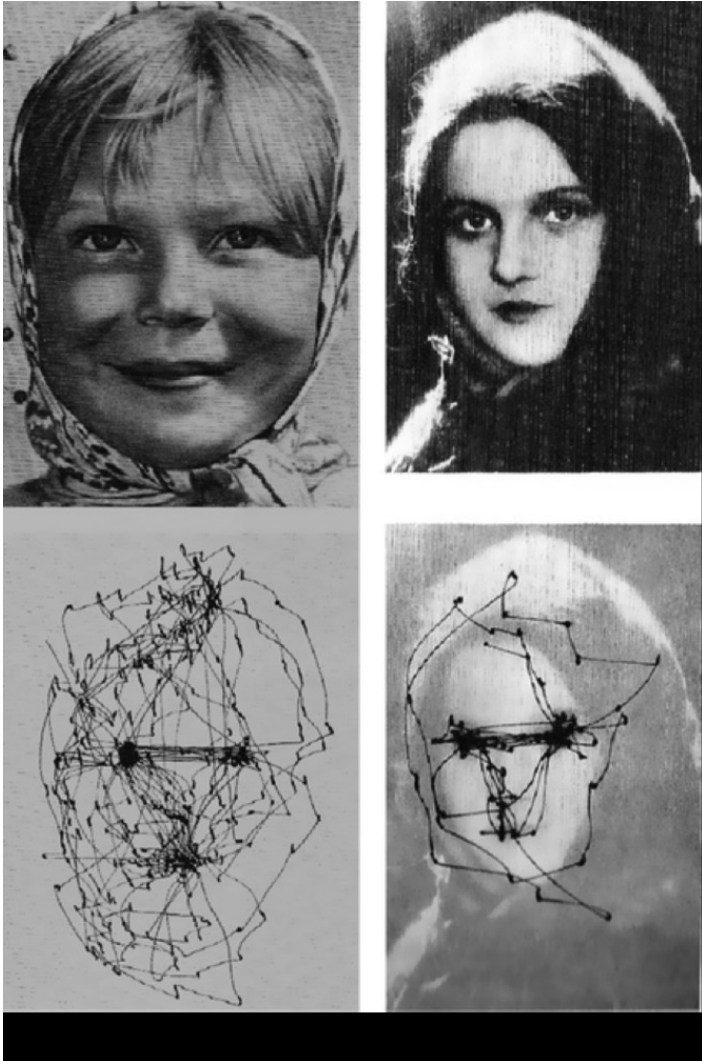
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human



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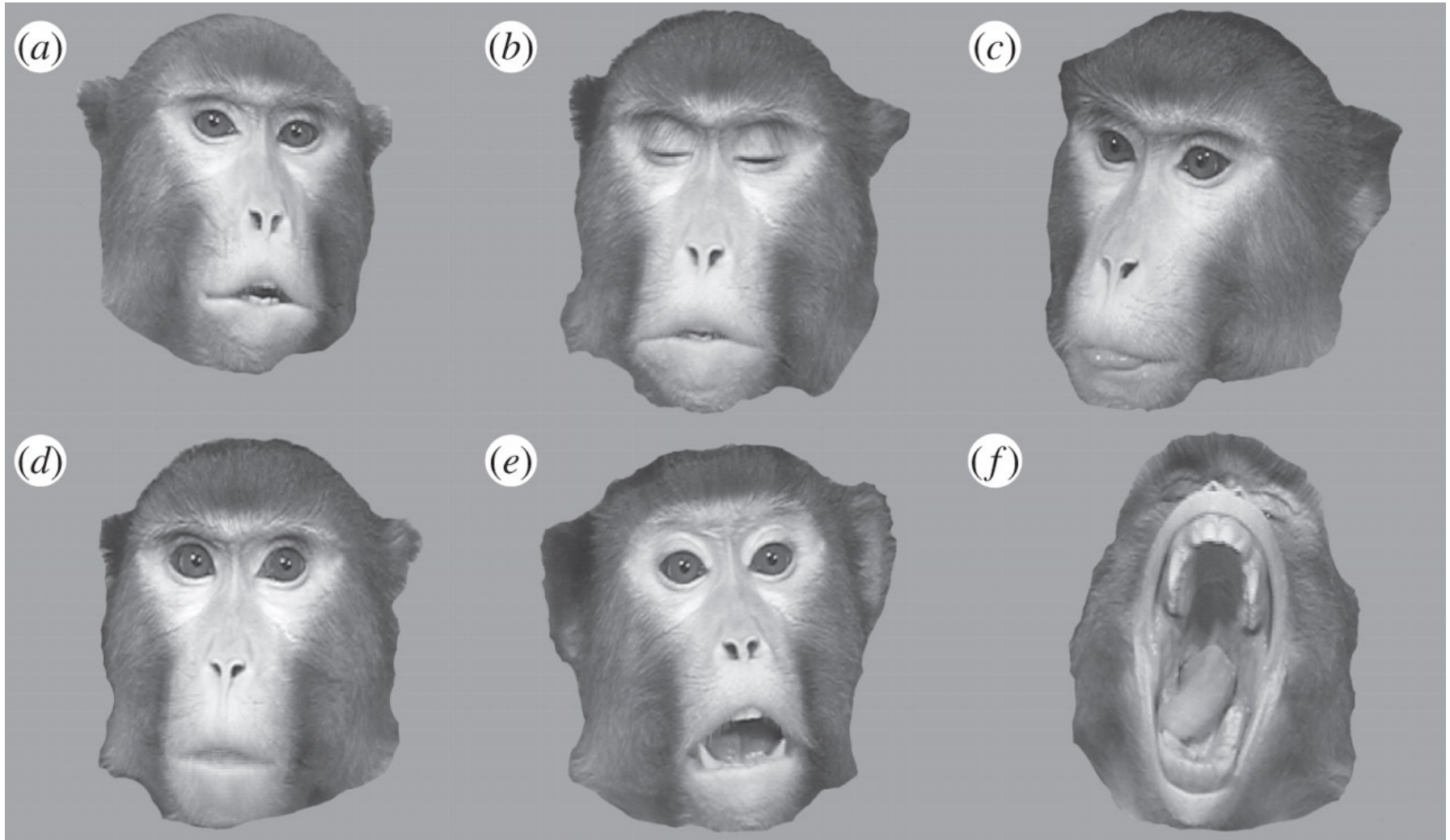
Human Facial Expressions of Emotion: An Evolved Ritualized Display?



Evidence for the Universality of Facial Expressions of Emotion

- Similarities to other Primate Expressions
- Cross-Cultural Research
 - Display Rules get in the way!
- Studies on the Blind-Born
- Appropriate early facial displays in newborns

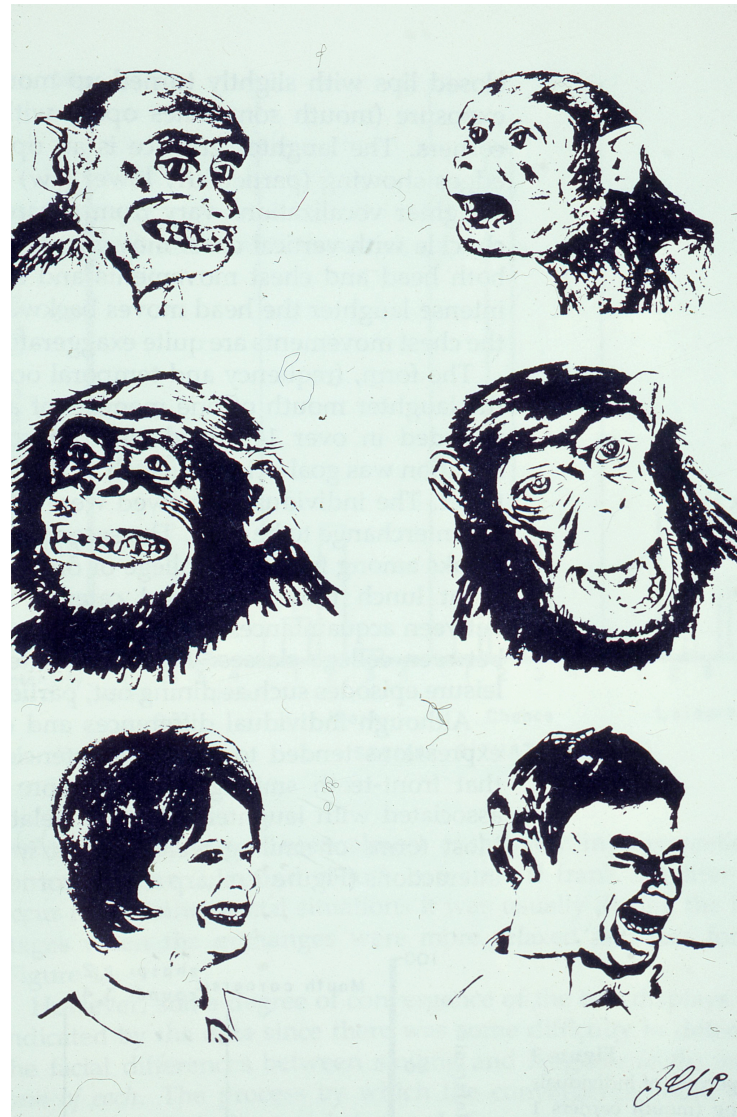
Most primates display similar expressions in similar situations



Most primates display similar expressions in similar situations



Smiling versus Laughing



Smiling versus Laughing



Smiling versus Laughing



Smiling versus Laughing



Smiling versus Laughing



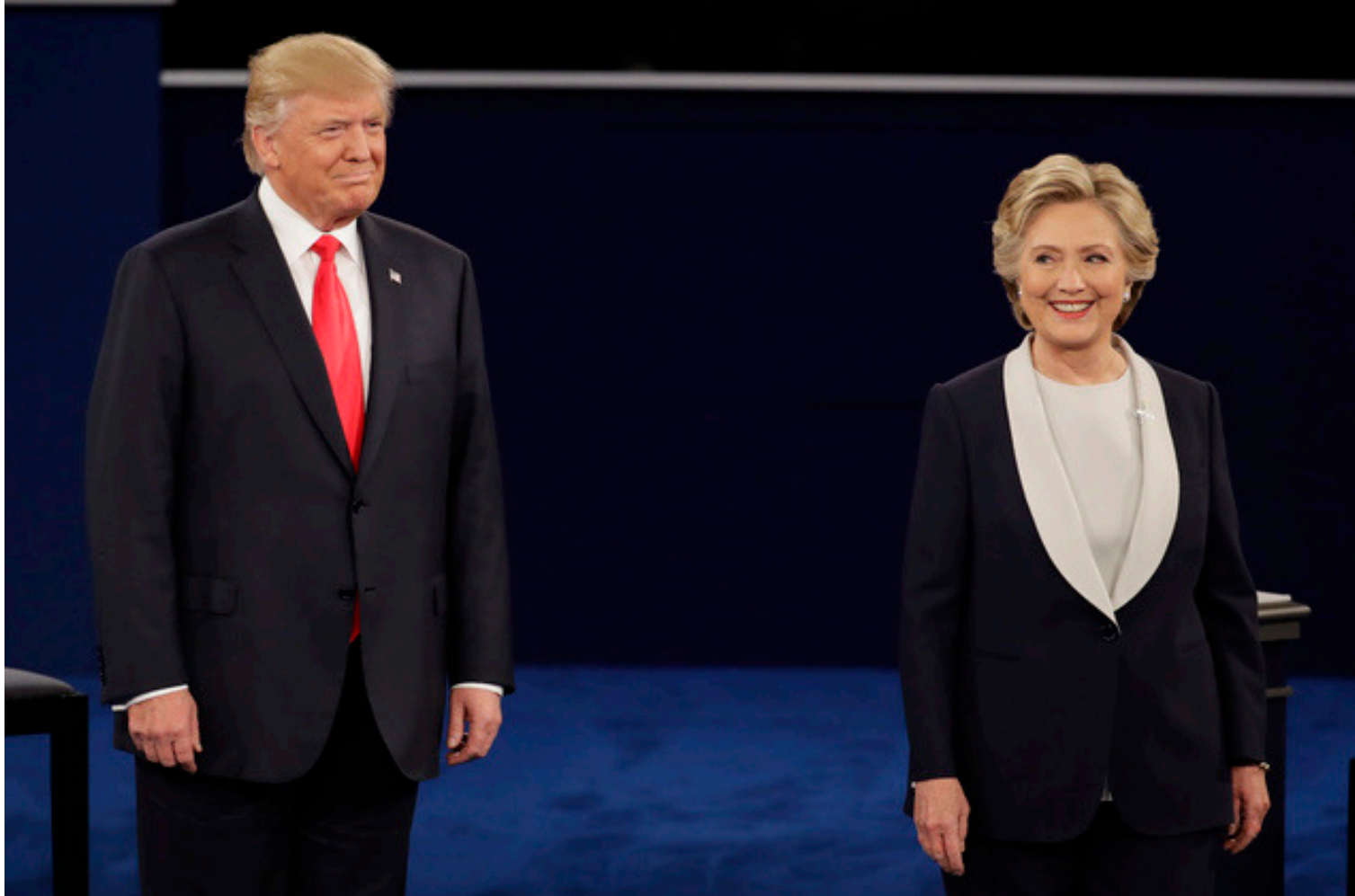
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Invitation to Play



Smiling versus Laughing



Smiling versus Laughing



Smiling versus Laughing



Smiling versus Laughing



Smiling versus Laughing



Human Play Faces



Human Play Faces



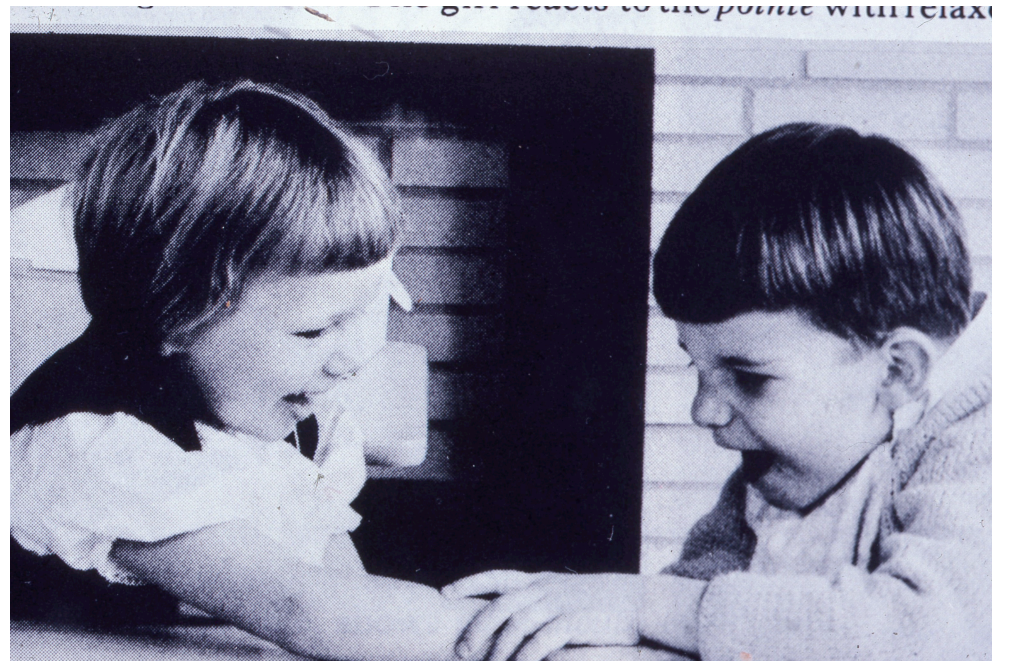
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Threat Displays & Anger



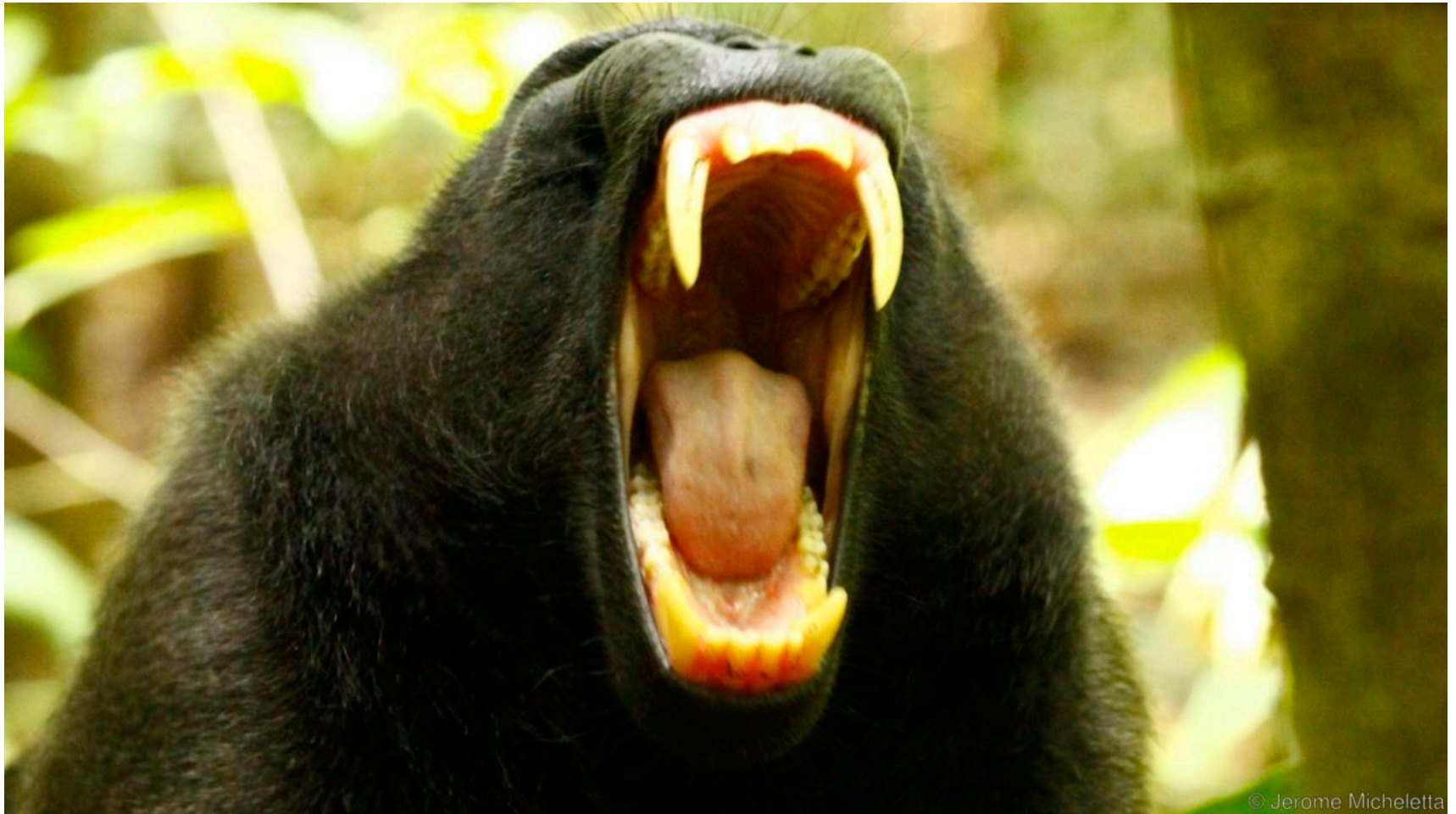
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Six Primary Facial Expressions of Emotions



OR Seven Primary Facial Expressions of Emotions?

The Seven Universal Facial Expressions of Emotion



Happiness



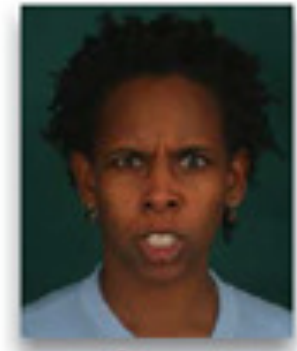
Contempt



Sadness



Disgust



Anger

OR Seven Primary Facial Expressions of Emotions?



contempt

lip corner tightened
and raised on only one
side of face



OR Seven Primary Facial Expressions of Emotions?

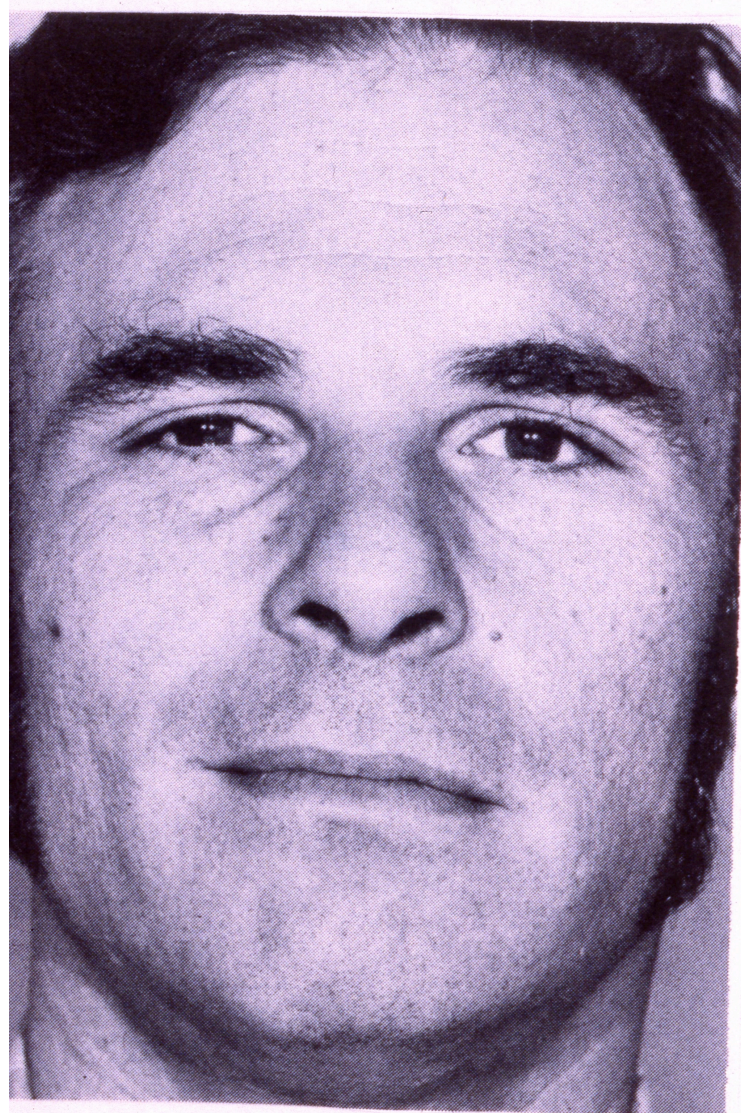


Contempt

- Eyes neutral
- Lip corner pulled up and back on one side only (contempt is the only unilateral expression)



OR Seven Primary Facial Expressions of Emotions?



Affect Blends



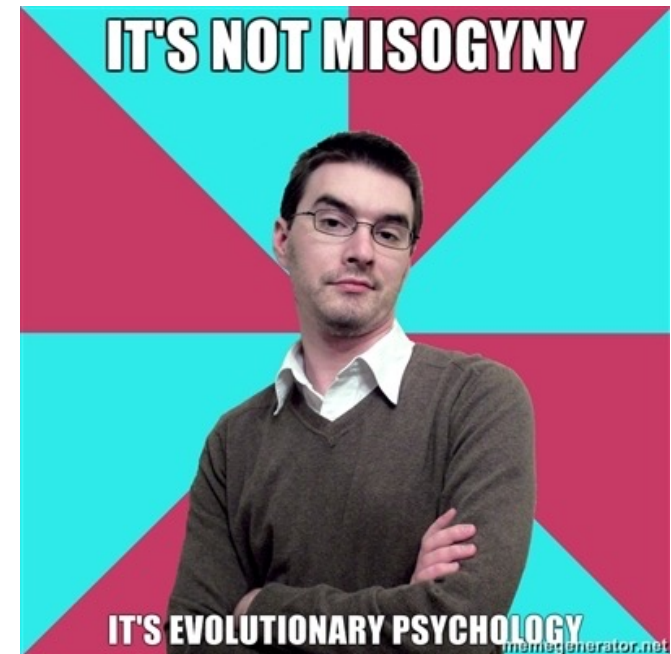
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WHY has Evolutionary Psychology been so Controversial?



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**Evolutionary
Psychology is
Crap**

The Psychology In Seattle Podcast



WHY has Evolutionary Psychology been so Controversial?

- Religious Objections (anti-evolution in general)
- Political Objections (fear of finding differences)
- Simplistic thinking about a “gene for behavior”
- Confuses conscious intentionality of human behavior with *actual* causes
- Association in the minds of critics with atheism, sexism, racism

WHY has Evolutionary Psychology been so Controversial?

- It often contradicts long-standing ways of thinking in western society and in academic social science.



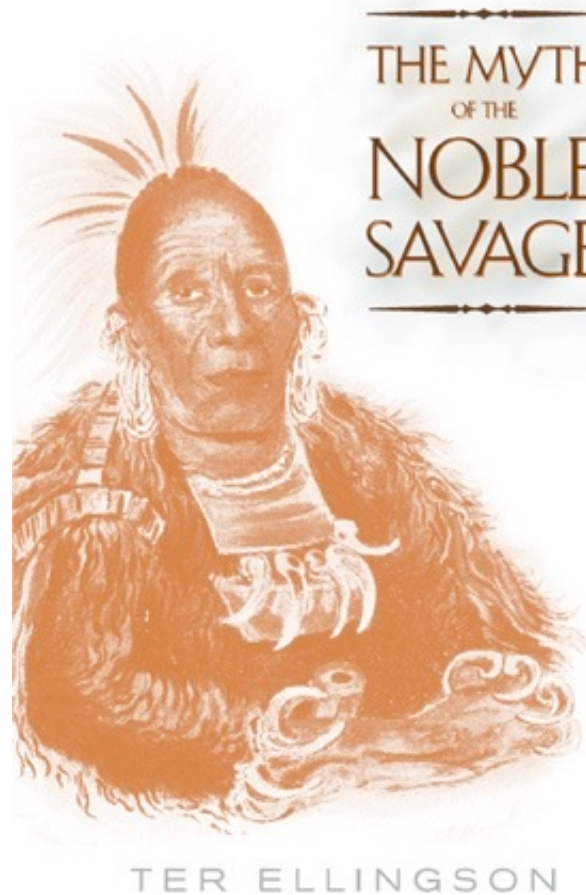
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(In Western dualistic religious & philosophical thought)



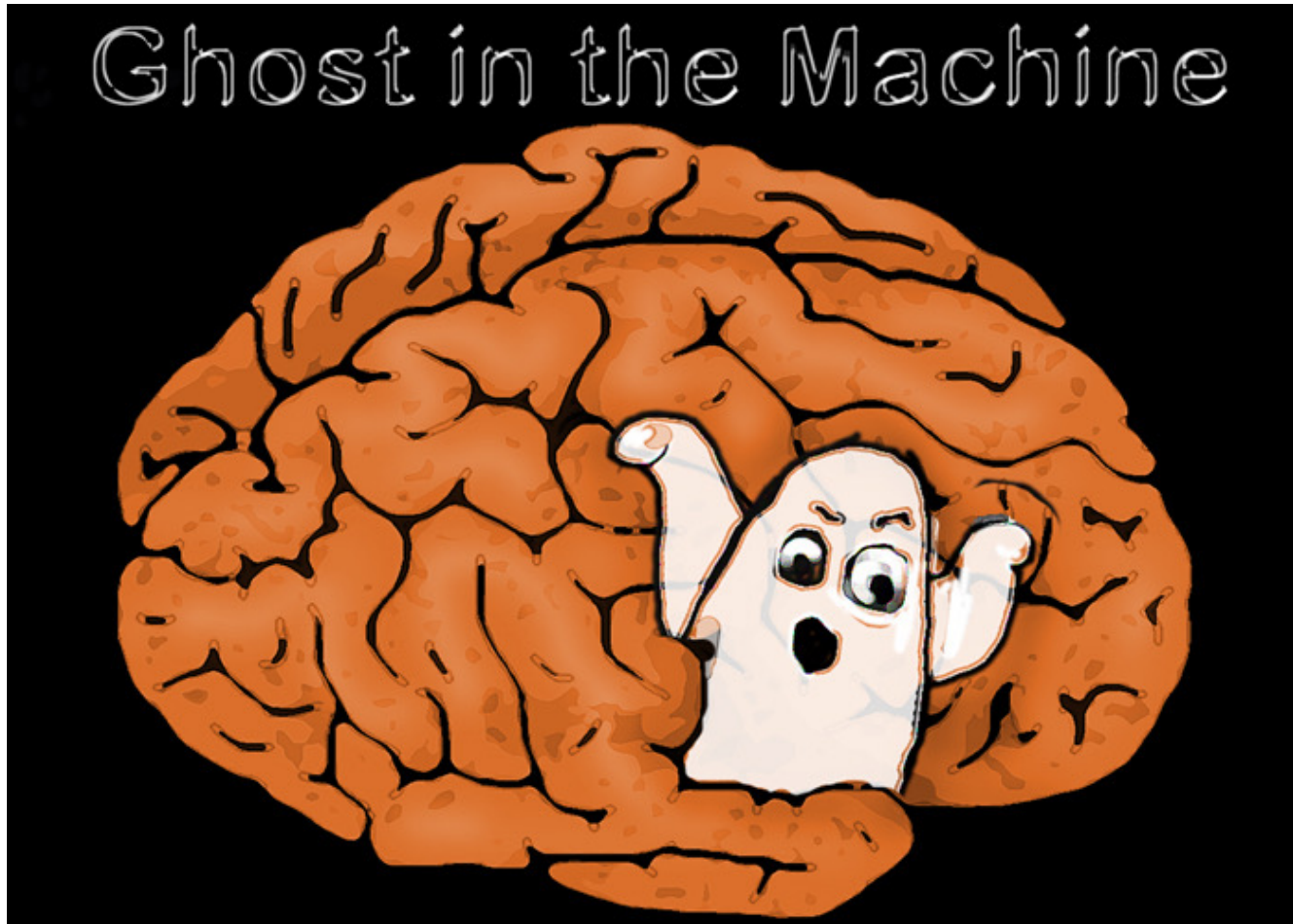
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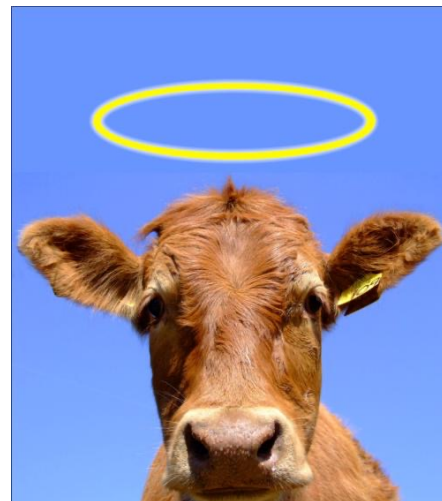
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What are the Sacred Cows?

(In academic social science)

- The Uniqueness of Human Beings
- The Dominant Role of Culture in Shaping Human Experience
- An Aversion to Biological Thinking
 - PLUS a misunderstanding of genetics & evolutionary theory



The Evolutionary Model of the Mind

(The specialized mentality “Modular” Mind”)



VS.



The Standard Social Science Model of the Mind

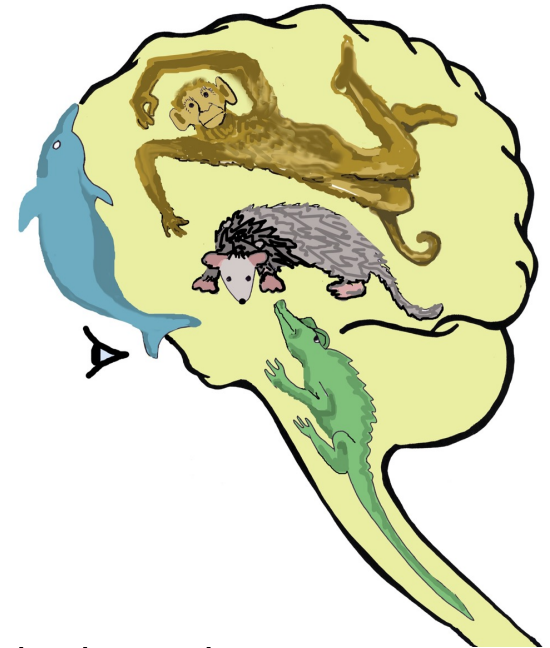


- There is no real “Human Nature” at all
- Humans are unique in nature; they have no genetically determined instinctive patterns of behaviors like those found in animals.
- The mind has only unspecialized general learning mechanisms and cognitive processes
- Everything we “know” is learned, and everything is equally learnable; humans are completely malleable
- The mind is like a hard drive on a computer before the software is installed from outside; we are shaped by our culture.
- The mind is “Domain-General:” It is essentially one organ that is flexible enough to perform *all* cognitive tasks
- If something is innate, it must be observable at birth. Anything that shows up later in life must be due to experience

Problems with the SSSM

- Belief in the SSSM is only possible if you dismiss the importance of biology and are willing to think illogically about evolution.
- Contrary to common opinion, the SSSM view of the mind is *not* morally superior; in fact, it is a totalitarian's dream.
- The SSSM fails to understand the nature of developmental genetic programs.
- Evolution by natural selection has *always* favored specialization; this should also be true for the human mind.
 - -Important adaptive problems cannot be left to chance. A domain-general, unspecialized mind simply could not have been counted on to behave correctly on a consistent basis.

An Evolutionary Model of the Human Mind



- Human beings have an essential universal structure that is both physical and mental.
- The mind does have a general-learning capacity, but this is augmented by hundreds of separate psychological mechanisms known as “modules.”
- The mind is “Domain-Specific:” It is many highly specialized organs, not just one unspecialized organ.
- The mechanisms of the mind evolved over millions of years to meet persistent adaptive problems in the Environment of Evolutionary Adaptedness (EEA).
- The “Swiss Army Knife” model of the mind increases, rather than decreases, the flexibility of behavior.

The “Specialized Mentality” Model of the Mind

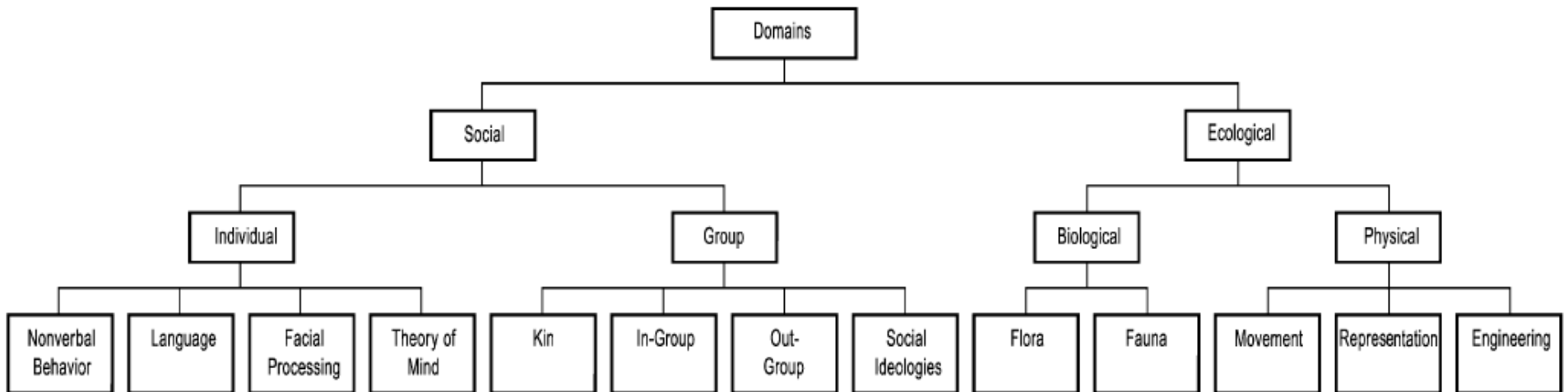


- The mind is an organ that has been shaped by natural selection
 - Evolution favored a highly specialized mind
- The mind consists of multiple highly specialized modules
- Narrow slices of environmental information are processed by specific modules & each module copes with specific adaptive problems
- Survival was too precious to be entrusted to “consciousness” and trial-and-error learning

Domains of the Mind

- * General-Purpose learning
- * Language
- * Social Intelligence
- * Technical Intelligence
- * Natural History Intelligence

Domains of the Mind



What about Culture?

WHAT IS CULTURE?



at pppst.com

“Evoked Culture”

- Culture results from the interaction of evolved human nature and the local resource situation
- ALL cultures exist to manage long-standing human problems of adaptation:
 - How to enforce cooperation?
 - How to manage status & rank?
 - How to limit violence by recognizing what causes it?
 - Building community through myths & legends
 - Recognizing and organizing kin relationships

Culture is an Adaptation

- Culture is a by-product of human nature – not the thing that *shapes* human nature
- Cultural transmission enhances reproductive fitness by allowing us to profit from the experience of other people
- *Meme* – the unit of cultural inheritance
 - Memes have fitness – just like genes

Important Evolution Concepts

- Survival of the Fittest
- Reproductive Fitness
- Adaptation
- Natural Selection
- Sexual Selection
- Decay through Disuse
- Species
- Genotype
- Phenotype
- Spandrel
- Lamarckian Evolution
- Unit of Selection
- Group Selection
- Meme

Natural Selection – It Still Operates



Natural Selection

- *Principle of Variation*: There must be variations in phenotype
- *Principle of Heritability*: Part of the variation between individuals must be heritable
- There must be competition between individuals for scarce resources, and some variants allow their bearers to compete more effectively
- Consequences of the above: Some individuals leave more offspring behind than others
 - The frequency of genes in a population change over time.

Sexual Selection

Intrasexual Selection:

- Members of one sex (usually males) compete amongst themselves for mates

Intersexual Selection: (Female Choice)

- females choose males with particular characteristics

The strength of sexual selection depends upon the degree of competition for mates, how much each sex invests in offspring, & the ratio of Sexually receptive females to males. In humans, male reproductive Success is much more variable than female success.

Ismael the Bloodthirsty

(Ismail Ibn Sharif, 1672-1727) Sultan of Morocco



1171 children by at least 500 women

Ghenghis Khan

(c. 1162-1227)

First Great Khan of
the Mongol Empire

1 in 200 men direct descendants of Genghis Khan

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In 2003 a groundbreaking historical genetics paper reported results which indicated that a substantial proportion of men in the world are direct line descendants of Genghis Khan. By direct line, I mean that they carry Y chromosomes which seem to have come down from an individual who lived approximately 1,000 years ago. As Y chromosomes are only passed from father to son, that would mean that the Y is a record of one's patrilineage. Genghis Khan died ~750 years ago, so assuming 25 years per generation, you get about 30 men between the present and that period. In more quantitative terms, ~10% of the men who reside within the borders of the

Mongol Empire as it was at the death of Genghis Khan may carry his Y chromosome, and so ~0.5% of men in the world, about 16 million individuals alive today, do so. Since 2003 there have been other cases of "super-Y" lineages. For example the **Manchu lineage** and the **Uí Néill lineage**. The existence of these Y chromosomal lineages, which have burst upon the genetic landscape like explosive stars sweeping aside all other variation before them, indicates a periodic it "winner-take-all" dynamic in human genetics more reminiscent of hyper-polygynous mammals such as elephant seals. As we do not exhibit the sexual dimorphism which is the norm in such organisms, it goes to show the plasticity of outcome due to the flexibility of human cultural forms.

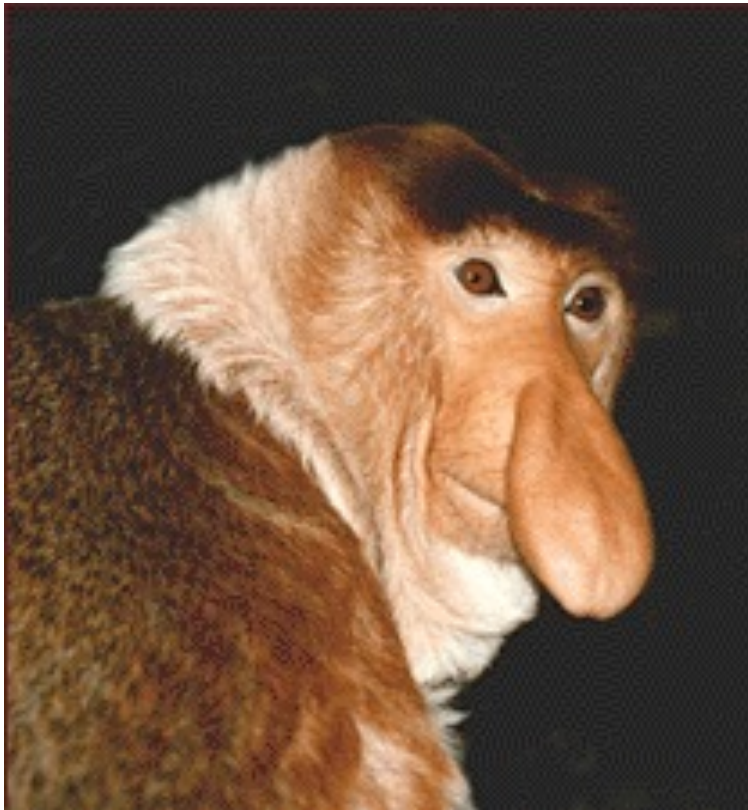
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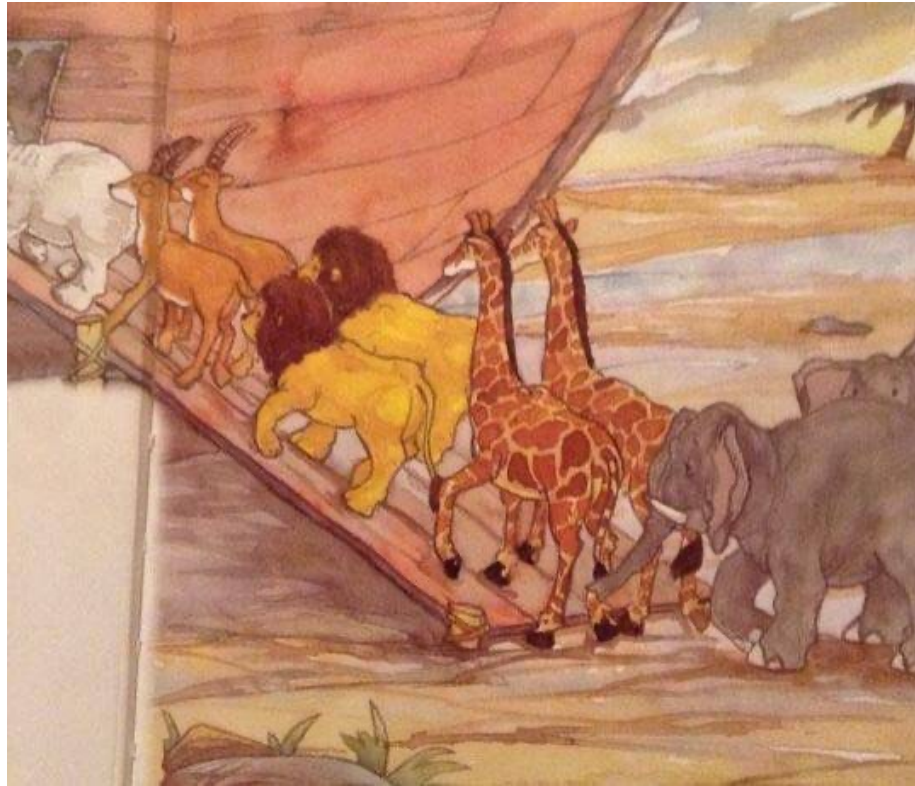
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Characteristics of Primates

COMMON FEATURES:

- Restricted to Tropics (except humans)
- opposable toe on foot, prehensile hands
- flat nails instead of claws; sensitive tactile pads with fingerprints
- low center of gravity; locomotion is hind limb dominated
- unspecialized olfaction; reduced in diurnal primates
- highly developed vision; binocular & stereoscopic; color in apes
- small litters, long gestation & juvenile periods
- large brains
- different teeth, especially unspecialized molars



Taxonomy of Primates

I. Strepsirrhines (Prosimians): Arboreal, nocturnal

- Lemurs, Lorises

II. Haplorrhines (Anthropoids): Diurnal

Tarsiers

Platyrrhines: New World Monkeys

Catarrhines: Old World Monkeys

Cercopithecoidea - Monkeys

Hominoids: Apes

Lesser Apes

Great Apes

Humans



Lemurs





Bushbabies





Loris



Tarsiers

New World Monkeys



Tamarins



New World Monkeys

Marmosets



New World Monkeys



Spider Monkey

New World Monkeys



Capuchin Monkey

New World Monkeys



Squirrel Monkey

New World Monkeys



Black
Howler
Monkey

Old World Monkeys



Colobus Monkeys

Old World Monkeys



Langurs

Old World Monkeys



Macaques

Old World Monkeys



Vervet Monkeys

Old World Monkeys



Blue Monkeys



Old World Monkeys



Baboons

Lesser Apes



Gibbons



Lesser Apes



Gibbons

Lesser Apes



Siamangs

Great Apes



Orangutans

Great Apes



Gorillas

Great Apes



Bonobos

Great Apes



Chimpanzees



Great Apes



Humans

Primate Social Organization

The range of social arrangements is quite broad:

Solitary Orangutans – territorial unimale polygyny

Monogamous pair-bonded Gibbons

Polyandrous Tamarins

Chimpanzees - Multimale Polygyny

Gorillas – True Harems

Large communities with both male and female hierarchies
& alliances: Baboons, Chimps, Macaques

Dispersal



Parental Investment



Primate females *always* provide extensive care for young; males do so only in a few species.

When do males *NOT* care for offspring?

- When they can easily acquire additional mating opportunities
- When caring for their offspring does not appreciably increase offspring fitness



Female Primate Reproductive Strategies

DAD or CAD? Who do you choose?

OBTAIN RESOURCES: Females must maintain a minimum nutritional level to ovulate and conceive

GAIN ACCESS TO HIGH QUALITY MATES

ACHIEVE STATUS: High-ranking females reproduce more successfully, have better access to resources, and their offspring thrive better.

MAKE SHREWD INVESTMENT DECISIONS: Tradeoffs are necessary among offspring & between number of offspring & quality of care.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=roqc0HcO9KU>

Male Primate Reproductive Strategies

Sexual Dimorphism when males compete (intrasexual selection)

Traits favored for fighting: large size, fighting ability, weapons
(Intrasexual Selection)

Large Testes for sperm competition in promiscuous multi-male
Multi-female groups.

Exaggerated displays of quality & expensive physical traits

Monogamous pair bonding (high paternal investment)

Infanticide

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