What Darwin Never Knew - Video Questions

Watch the video at PBS – it is 2 hours long so you may want to watch over the weekend http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/education/lessonideas/3617_whatdarwin.html

Hulu: http://www.hulu.com/watch/206374

Or on youtube

Answer the following questions in your notebook

- 1. What are mutations and why are they important?
- 2. What guestions could Darwin not answer?
- 3. What was the standard view on Evolution at the time of Darwin's voyage?
- 4. What was seen on the developing embryos of snakes?
- 5. What happened to the fur of the mice that lived on the darker rocks? Why?
- 6. What is the human genome project and why was it important?
- 7. A hypothesis of the human genome project was that the more complex organisms would have more genes than less complex organisms. Was this hypothesis supported by the results?
- 8. Are all human genes different from the genes of other animals?
- 9. What do switches do?
- 10. What to body plan genes do?
- 11. For the following examples from the movie note the main points. Also note any role mutations or regulation play in these examples
 - a. Mice in Arizona
 - b. Embryo studies
 - c. Flies and wing spots
 - What experiment did they do to explore this
 - How are jellyfish genes used?
 - d. Stickleback fish in lake and manatee
 - e. Galapagos finches
 - f. Neil Shuban research into how fish moved onto land
 - g. Evolution of the human thumb
 - What experiment was done to explore this?
 - h. Research into a cure for muscular dystrophy
 - i. Research into children with neurological problems
 - j. Computer work of comparing genes between chimps and humans