

CANON CLASSICS
END-OF-BOOK TEST
ORIGIN OF THE SPECIES

NAME: _____

SCORE: _____ / 22 pts.

THE BOOK:¹ *Answer the questions below.*

1. *What career did Darwin abandon to be a naturalist and write his book *On the Origin of the Species*? (2 pts.)*

2. *What was Darwin's general attitude in holding and expressing his new views. In other words, was he pig-headed, dogmatic, and defensive or approachable, mild-mannered, and open to criticism? (2 pts.)*

THE PLOT: *Answer the questions below quickly and succinctly.*

3. *What is artificial selection or "selection under domestication"? (2 pts.)*

4. *Why was the fossil record not very supportive of Darwin's theory? (2 pts.)*

5. *What are rudimentary or "vestigial" organs? (2 pts.)*

THE WORLDVIEW: *Please complete the following essay questions on the back of this test or a separate sheet of paper. Be specific and detailed in your answers, showing original thought and creativity (e.g., don't just regurgitate the Worldview Guide.)*

5. *Essay 1: Has the growth of the fossil record confirmed or weakened Darwin's theory? (6 pts.)*

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6. *Essay 2: Why can't natural selections or mutations create entirely new species? (6 pts.)*