## Topic 1.3: How can natural and artificial selection influence changes in populations?

- DNA \_\_\_\_\_ produce genetic diversity within a population.
- \_\_\_\_\_\_ favours traits that make an organism better suited to its environment.
- \_\_\_\_\_ can lead to the formation of new species.
- Environmental factors can cause\_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_select desired characteristics in organisms to be passed on to the next generation.

Concept 1: DNA \_\_\_\_\_ produce genetic diversity within a population.

- Variety exists within the same species because of \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ are a source of genetic variation.
- \_\_\_\_\_: a permanent change in the genetic material of an organism
- They can occur during \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- Some \_\_\_\_\_\_ can be harmful and can cause a cell to die, malfunction, or multiply uncontrollably.
- Some \_\_\_\_\_\_ can be beneficial, while others have \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 1. What is a mutation? Are all mutations harmful? Explain.
- 2. Explain why mutations are the starting point for genetic variation.

## Concept 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_ favours traits that make an organism better suited to its environment.

Some \_\_\_\_\_\_ may provide a selective advantage in changing conditions.

**Selective advantage:** a \_\_\_\_\_\_ advantage that improves an organism's chance of survival, usually in a changing environment

• \_\_\_\_\_: the process by which characteristics of a population change over many generations as organisms with heritable traits survive and reproduce, passing their traits to offspring

- There must be \_\_\_\_\_\_ within a species for \_\_\_\_\_\_ to occur.
- \_\_\_\_\_: structural or behavioural feature or physiological process that
- improves the organism's chance of \_\_\_\_\_\_ in its environment to reproduce
- Organisms that have an advantageous mutation may \_\_\_\_\_\_ better in a changing environment.

An \_\_\_\_\_\_ factor selects for certain characteristics in some individuals and against other characteristics.

Over time, the \_\_\_\_\_\_ changes because individuals with favourable characteristics

\_\_\_\_\_ and reproduce.

The environment exerts \_\_\_\_\_\_ pressures that result from predators, parasites, and

competition for \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Natural selection is \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A trait that may be a \_\_\_\_\_\_ to an individual at one time may be advantageous to its survival later.

\_\_\_\_\_ for this trait will be passed on to the next generation to the offspring.

- 1. Why does genetic variation make it possible for changes in populations to occur through natural selection? Explain your answer.
- 2. Using the example shown in Figure 1.23, make a graphic organizer to show the steps by which natural selection favours a population of plants to grow in a shady environment.

Concept 3: \_\_\_\_\_\_ can lead to the formation of new species.

Individuals of the same species can \_\_\_\_\_\_ to produce fertile offspring.

Sometimes members of a population \_\_\_\_\_\_ so much that they are no longer able to produce fertile offspring with members of the original population.

This leads to \_\_\_\_\_\_, where new species are formed.

\_\_\_\_\_barriers can isolate a population, resulting in new species that are

unable to \_\_\_\_\_.

•	Examples of	barriers include a	, a lava flow, and an	
•	: the diversification of a common ancestral species into a variety of differently adapted species			
•	Finches on the	have different beak	shapes due to their diverse diets.	
•	Tortoises on the	are all different due to mutations,		
		_ , and	·	
•	: occ	urs when a species	from Earth	
•	result in a decline in the number of species.			
2.	What is adaptive radiation? Explain why it would have been possible for an ancestral finch species, having arrived on one of the Galapagos Islands, to have diversified and evolved into other species over time. How is extinction related to selective pressure?			
Concept 4:		factors can cause mut	factors can cause mutations.	
are important to natural selection and speciation.				
Mutations provide genetic				
: a substance or event that increases the rate of mutation				
cause physical changes in the DNA (i.e.,and).				
can chemically react with DNA (i.e., and).				
	: a substance	e or agent that causes cancer		
Some mutagens are				
Examples include,,				
Wearing sunscreen, a hat, and sunglasses can reduce the exposure to				

- 1. What is a mutagen?
- 2. Explain how mutagens and the production of proteins are related.

Concept 5: \_\_\_\_\_\_ select desired characteristics in organisms to be passed on to the next generation.

- \_\_\_\_\_: selective pressure exerted by humans on populations in order to improve or modify desirable traits
- Humans breed cows that produce more milk, chickens that produce large numbers of eggs, and pigs with large muscles for meat.
- Humans breed crops to \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Through selective breeding, the wild mustard plant is used to produce six other plants.

Some \_\_\_\_\_\_ animals have health problems (i.e., English bulldogs have respiratory problems and German shepherds have hip problems).

\_\_\_\_\_ plants lack genetic diversity because they are all similar.

\_\_\_\_\_: repeated planting of the same varieties of a species over large expanses

of land

- 1. What is artificial selection?
- 2. What are some benefits and risks associated with artificial selection of agricultural crops?

Topic 1.3 Summary: How can \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ selection influence changes in populations?

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- \_\_\_\_\_\_ factors can cause mutations.
- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ select desired characteristics in organisms to be passed on to the next generation.