

4. Let's work with the song.

a) Listen to the song and fill in the blanks with the words in the box.

Horrible Histories -- Natural Selection (Charles Darwin)

Mmmm yeah.

Mmmm yeah.

People thought all animals

Arrived here _____

The world began, and then came man

All perfectly created

But then someone looked up a tree.

And said "That monkey looks just like me!"

So it really was a _____

What I'd learned in natural history!

So I joined HMS Beagle

Watched the _____ and the seagull

We studied rock and plants

Flowers, trees and bees and ants

Slept on _____ without pillows

Eating rats and armadillos

Till I realised on reflec-tion

It's natural selection! Yeah!

Natural selection means

Each animal _____

To blend with its surroundings

Ch-ch-changes were involved

So birds with different, foods to seek.

Seem to have developed, different

_____.

And over time they'd

Modified

So just _____

Of them all survived!

On the Isles of Galapagos

I noted the giant tortoise

Had interesting _____

And I rode on them as well

Iguanas land and swimming

Meant my new theory was winning

It all led in the direction

Of natural selection.

My findings went with outrage

From the ch-ch-ch-church of England

And from me.

The idea that we came from ch-ch-chimps

Questioned my own _____

But it was hard to disagree!

Every species' new _____

Had a perfect explanation

It seems the world's inception

Must predate common perception

And if lack of adaptation

Means a fatal limitation

So each creature's imperfection

Over time gets a correction

Meaning animal collections

Grow unique means of protection

And to fail nature's inspection

Means immediate _____

Which all leads to the detec-tion

Of natural selection!

Natural selection!

the fittest - mutation - eagle - hammocks

unrelated - mystery - shells - evolved

rejection - Christianity - beaks

b) Write here all the names of animals you find in the song:

c) Write here all the words ending in *-(a)tion* you find. What type of word are all of them?

d) Find all the verbs in the past simple/past participle form and classify them into regular and irregular verbs.

Regular	Irregular

e) Can you find any examples of present perfect simple?

f) Do you know this verb tense that appears in the song twice? Can you write the full form?

What *I'd learned* in natural history! _____

And over time *they'd modified* _____

f) Can you find any example of the passive voice?

5. Now you can watch the video-song along with the lyrics. Enjoy it!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vUZeywlId_s



6. Read the next two stanzas again and write one paragraph (60-80 words) explaining why you think Darwin's theory of evolution was not well received by the Church of England.

My findings went with outrage
From the ch-ch-ch-church of England
And from me.

The idea that we came from ch-ch-chimps
Questioned my own Christianity
But it was hard to disagree!