Aspects of Genetics and Evolution	Name	
Evolution Worksheet # 1		

Choose the answer which best completes the following statements or answers the following questions. (3 pts. @) Place the answers to these questions on your own lined paper.

- 1. Darwin believed that evolution took place:
 - Gradually, in small steps
 Only in the distant past
 Through the appearance of radically new types
 In short bursts
- 2. Which statement is not consistent with Darwin's theory of natural selection?
 - 1. Limited resources put limits on population growth.
 - 2. Some members are more adapted to the rigors of competition.
 - 3. There is no variation in individuals. 4. All populations tend to overproduce.
- 3. The structural similarities between the flippers of whales and the arms of humans are used to show that the: 1. Whales evolved from the human species.
 - 2. Whales are older than the human species.
 - 3. Human species and whales have a common ancestry.
 - 4. Human species began life in the oceans.
- 4. What do we call structures that perform a similar function but arise from different ancestral traits? 1. Analogous structures 2. Neutral substitution
 - 4. Species richness 3. Homologous structures
- "Differential success in reproduction" is just another way of saying 1. genetic drift 2. mutation 3. natural selection 4. recombination
- 6. The idea that organisms are able to pass along characteristics acquired during their lifetime is most closely associated with: 1. Lamarck 2. Mendel 3. Lyell 4. Darwin 5. Wallace
- 7. Lamarck's contribution to the theory of evolution was the concept of
 - 1. natural selection. 2. geographic distribution of organisms
 - 3. mutation 4. catastrophism. 5. inheritance of acquired characteristics.
- 8. According to Lamarck, traits, such as large muscles, that are acquired over an individual's lifetime: 1. are acted on by natural selection
 - 2. are the result of a change of alleles 3. cannot be passed on to offspring
 - can be passed on to offspring
- 9. According to Darwin, what caused species to change over time?
 - 1. Natural selection 2. Inheritance of acquired traits 3. Use and disuse
 - 4. Lamarckian inheritance
- 10. The oldest fossils usually 1. contain more radioactive isotopes than younger fossils
 - 2. are found in sediments from the Cenozoic era
 - 3. are found in the deepest strata 4. are found above younger fossils
 - 5. have the longest half-lives