



# Charles Darwin

1809 - 1882

# Charles Darwin – the boy



Charles Darwin was born in 1809 in Shrewsbury, England.



# Charles Darwin – the young man



He went to University to become a doctor

In 1827, at the age of 18, Darwin realised he did not like the study of medicine and could not bear the sight of blood. He left and went to become a vicar.

He never became a vicar, but instead sailed around the world.



# This is the Beagle – Darwin's ship







It was very cramped inside and always very dusty. It held 75 people.







# The voyage of the Beagle

1831 - 1836

The Beagle set sail on her voyage in 1831, with Charles Darwin aboard. The voyage lasted 5 years.

Galapagos





# The Galapagos Islands



At last Charles Darwin arrived in the Galapagos islands, Whilst he was on the Galapagos Islands he discovered a lot of new plants and animals that no one had ever seen before. He even brought seeds home.





# He discovered finches







# Giant tortioses







# Komodo dragons





He discovered that there are lots of different types of the same animal and that they are good for different things.

For example dogs



Whippets are very fast runners, but terriers are good guard dogs because they are fierce.

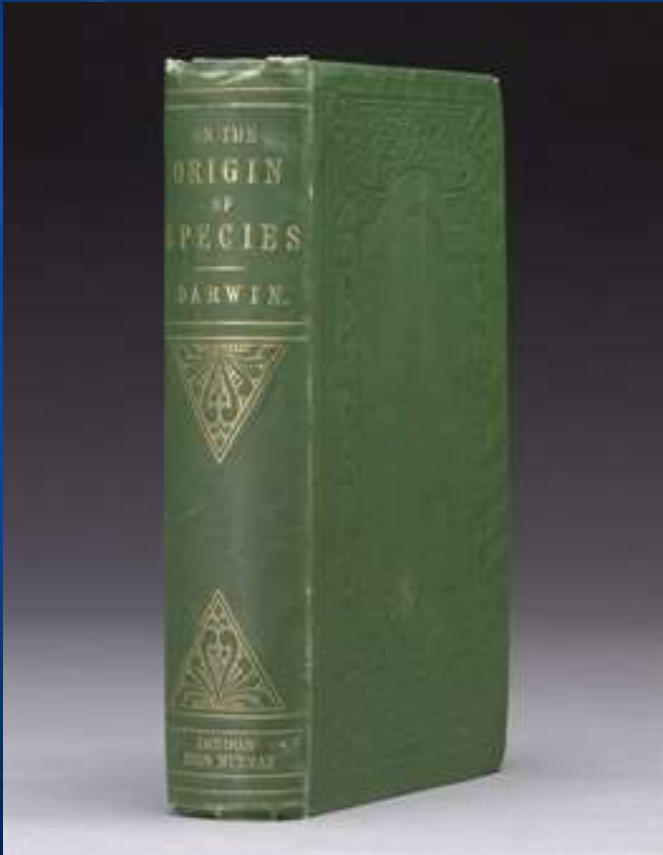




Sheepdogs can be trained to herd sheep and St Bernard's are good in cold places.



# On the Origin of Species



Darwin completed his voyage on the Beagle in 1836.

For over 20 years Darwin continued to find out about new plants and animals. Finally in 1859, Darwin wrote a famous book about all of the things he had found out on his travels.