

Wonders of Creation: Classroom Series

Syllabus

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- a. Course consists of 7 video lessons (approximately 30 minutes each)
- b. In-class Instructor: Branyon May
- c. Expert Teachers: Eric Lyons and Kyle Butt

II. DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

- a. In this series, we take a survey of animal classifications, such as mammals, birds, reptiles, insects & spiders, and sea creatures. General characteristics for how each group fills their various biomes and ecosystems, and then spend some time investigating specific examples.
- b. Special attention is made on highlighting complexity, functionality, and design that contrasts a purposeful origin in creation by God versus the random chance description of an evolutionary origin.

III. INSTRUCTIONAL SETUP

- a. The video classes are composed of an in-class instructor, Branyon May, guiding the overall class topics, while expert teachers, Eric Lyons and Kyle Butt (from Apologetics Press), provide the instructional details for the specific creatures being considered.
- b. The expert teachers provide detailed exploration with video footage, visual illustrations, and key scientific diagrams to clearly convey both facts and design points.
- c. Review Section:
 - i. At the end of each class, there is a Review Section where the students are asked key questions from the class period covering all of the topics or animals discussed.
 - ii. Questions are shown on-screen with a small amount of time to consider the answer, before it is shown and discussed.
 - iii. Special emphasis is placed on identifying design features and the contrast between Creation and Evolution.

IV. COURSE RESOURCES

- a. Class Videos
 - i. Links to each online video can be found in the Table of Contents PDF.
 - ii. Teacher Edition USB also includes MP4 video files
- b. Worksheets
 - i. Quiz Worksheets (and Answer Keys)
 - ii. Note-taking Worksheets
- c. PowerPoints
 - i. Review Questions (PPT for each class)
 - ii. Class Title Slides (horizontal and vertical)
- d. Book
 - i. Wonders of God's Creation (PDF)

V. CLASS LIST and SEGMENT BREAKDOWN

- a. General
 - i. Consider God's Creation
 - ii. Defined Design
 - iii. DNA
- b. Birds
 - i. Woodpeckers
 - ii. Mallee Fowl
 - iii. Godwit
 - iv. Hummingbirds
- c. Reptiles
 - i. Snakes
 - ii. Thorny Devil Lizard
 - iii. Geckos
 - iv. Chameleons
- d. Mammals: Part 1
 - i. Giraffes
 - ii. Elephants
 - iii. Hippos
 - iv. Blue Whales
- e. Mammals: Part 2
 - i. Camels
 - ii. Squirrels
 - iii. Bats
 - iv. Platypus
- f. Sea Creatures

- i. Electric Eel
 - ii. Hagfish
 - iii. Cuttlefish
 - iv. Seahorses
 - v. Venus Flower Basket
- g. Insects and Spiders
 - i. Honeybees
 - ii. Bombardier Beetle
 - iii. Lightning Bugs
 - iv. Spider Silk
 - v. Stinking Corpse Lily