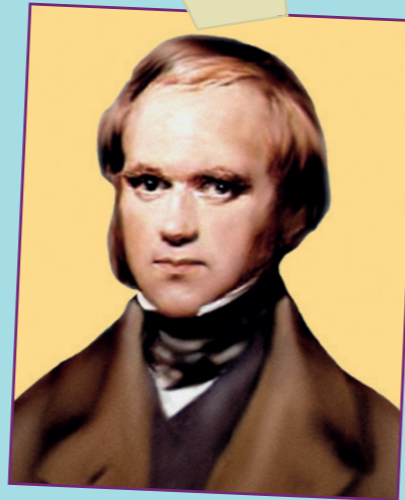


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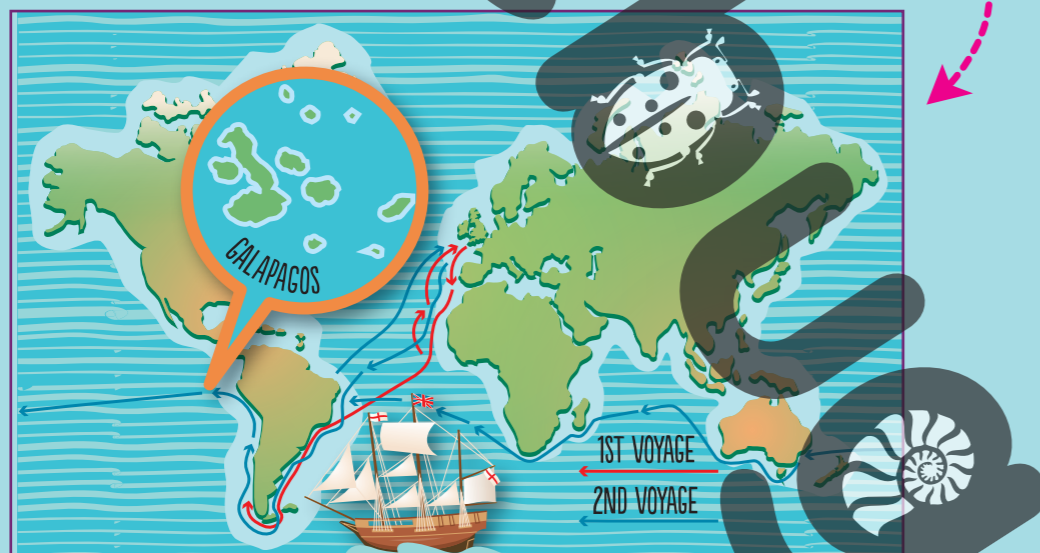
Charles Darwin (1809-1882) was one of the world's greatest scientists. He had an amazing and exciting life studying nature and travelling all over the world. His ideas completely changed the way people thought about living things.



### The voyage of the Beagle

Aged 22, Darwin sailed around the world on the ship HMS Beagle. When the ship docked, he would get off and explore!

On the Galapagos Islands in the Pacific Ocean, Darwin found some unusual animals like huge tortoises and lizards that could swim in the sea!



### Darwin's big idea

Darwin thought that individual animals and plants competed with each other for food, water and space – the things they need to live. They were in competition with each other for these resources and struggled to survive. He thought those with features best fitted to survive in particular environments were naturally selected.

### Did you know?

Darwin was not a good sailor and was horribly sea sick on the voyage of the Beagle.

Darwin's ideas caused a sensation! People used to think that species were completely separate from each other. Darwin explained how all living things, including humans, came originally from the same living things. He said that those living things had changed over time to form the millions of different species we see today.

### Find out

Many people think that a man called Alfred Russell Wallace is as important as Charles Darwin. Find out about Wallace and his ideas.

