An Introduction to Current Topics in Biology

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Overview

Biological topics often feature in the news or entertainment media and are frequently sensationalised or subject to inaccurate reporting. We will consider the science behind the headlines to help you develop an informed opinion regarding the complexities of current biological issues.

So, if you have an interest in biology but havent had the opportunity to study it at a higher level, then this is the unit for you.

Topics covered in previous years include DNA and evolution, genome sequencing, stem cells, biodiversity, brain function and emerging infectious diseases.

Attribution

These notes are based off of both the course notes (blackboard?). Thanks to ¡names¿ for such a good course! If you find any errors, then I'd love to hear about them!

Contribution

Pull requests are very welcome: https://github.com/Todd-Davies/third-year-notes

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