## THREE REVOLUTIONARIES

# (Copernicus, Darwin, and Freud)

#### **Nicolaus Copernicus**

Born February 19, 1473 - Death May 24, 1543

A polish astronomer known as the father of modern astronomy.

He was the first modern European scientist to propose that Earth and other planets revolve around the sun, or the Heliocentric Theory of the universe.

He is commonly regarded as the catalyst of the Scientific Revolution.

Developed a heliocentric model of the cosmos in which the Sun, rather than the Earth, was at the middle.

#### **Charles Robert Darwin**

Born February 12, 1809 - Death April 19, 1882

He completed the Copernican Revolution by drawing out for biology the notion of nature as a system of matter in motion governed by natural laws.

With Darwin's discovery of natural selection, the origin and adaptations of organisms were brought into the realm of science.

Greatest Biologist in history.

"Evolution" was described by Charles Darwin as "descent with alteration," or the belief that species evolve over time, give rise to new species, and share a common ancestor.

### Sigmund Freud

Born May 6, 1886 - Death September 23, 1939

An Austrian neurologist who is perhaps most known as the founder of psychoanalysis.

Freud's developed a set of therapeutic techniques centered on talk therapy that involved the use of strategies such as transference, free association, and dream interpretation.

Emphasized the importance of the unconscious mind, and a primary assumption of Freudian theory is that the unconscious mind governs behavior to a greater degree than people suspect.

Freud's Id, Ego, and Superego