SECTION

PATTERNS IN EVOLUTION

11.6 Study Guide

KEY CONCEPT

Evolution occurs in patterns.

VOCABULARY		
convergent evolution	coevolution	punctuated equilibrium
divergent evolution	extinction	adaptive radiation

MAIN IDEA: Evolution through natural selection is not random.

Fill in the Main Idea in the center of the Main Idea Web below. Then take notes based on the phrases in the surrounding boxes.

- 2. Natural selection has direction:
- 3. Its effects are cumulative:

- 1. Main idea:
- 4. Convergent evolution:

5. Divergent evolution:

MAIN IDEA: Species can shape each other over time.

In the table below, take notes about two ways in which species can coevolve.

Type of Coevolution	How It Works	Example
6. beneficial relationship		
7. evolutionary arms race		

CHAPTER 11The Evolution of Populations

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MAIN IDEA: Species can become extinct.

In the table below, take notes about background and mass extinctions.

Type of Extinction	Possible Causes	Outcome
8. background extinction		
9. mass extinction		

10. The theory of punctuated equilibrium states that relatively brief episodes of

are followed by long periods of little evolutionary

- **11.** Adaptive radiation is a process in which one ancestral species diversifies into many species.
- **12.** Adaptive radiation occurred after the extinction of the dinosaurs, because they left a wide range of _______ into which mammals could diversify.

Vocabulary Check

13. *Converge* means "to come together" and *diverge* means "to branch out." How do these meanings apply to the terms *convergent* and *divergent evolution*?

- **14.** The prefix *co-* means "together." How does this meaning apply to the term *coevolution*?
- **15.** *Punctuate* means "to interrupt periodically." How does this meaning apply to the term *punctuated equilibrium*?