



Let's Go to the Galápagos!

1. True or false?

- The Galápagos Islands are named after Charles Darwin.
- The Galápagos Islands were formed by underwater volcanoes.
- Compared with other islands, they are young.
- Charles Darwin was a ship's doctor who collected plants and animals.
- Different species of finches were important to Darwin's work.
- The Galápagos Islands are on the equator.

2. Would you like to visit the Galápagos Islands? Why/why not?

3. What sort of person do you think Charles Darwin was as a kid? Explain.

4. What sort of person was Charles's father? Explain.

CHARLES DARWIN'S EARLY YEARS

- Charles collected birds' eggs, sea shells, beetles, moths, and more.
- He spent hours watching birds and reading.
- At school, he didn't do very well.
- His father wanted him to become a doctor. When he didn't work hard at it, his father said he should become a priest.
- Charles took some courses in geology and natural history, and was asked to go along on a trip to South America. His father didn't approve, but another family member talked him into it.



5. Choose one of these Galápagos animals to research. You can go to the library; use the links in your episode notes; or find other websites, with an adult's permission.



Frigatebird



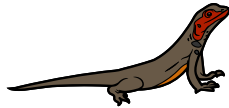
Flightless cormorant



Sally lightfoot crab



Waved albatross



Lava lizard



Blue-footed booby



Large painted locust



Galapagos fur seal



Galapagos penguin

ANIMAL FACT FILE

Name: _____

How big is it? _____

What does it eat? _____

How does it get its food? _____

What makes it special? _____