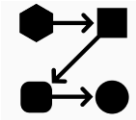
Big Bang Theory	13.7 billion years ago the universe expanded into existence	
Critic	A person who finds faults or argues against an idea	
Demography	The study of human populations	
Design	To carefully map out how something is going to look and function	
Evolution	Living things adapt to their surroundings over time	
Omnibenevolent	All loving	
Omnipotent	All powerful	
Omniscient	All knowing	
Transcendent	Outside of time, space and human understanding	

Y8 T1 Belief in God: Can we convincingly argue that God exists?

Billions of people believe that a god exists. Why? What is the evidence for the existence of God and how convincing is that evidence? Is it enough to simply say that you believe in God because of your faith without providing any evidence? Is enough to say that God does not exists without providing any evidence?

The Causation Argument

AKA: The Causation Argument
Who: Thomas Aquinas
When: 13th century

The argument

Everything in the universe has a cause
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Every cause has a cause
↓
The universe must have a first cause
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The first cause must be God as He is omnipotent and eternal

Criticisms

Why does the universe need a first cause?
Why must God be the first cause?
Why doesn't God need a first cause?

The Teleological Argument

AKA: The Design Argument
Who: William Paley
When: 18th century

The argument

Everything that is complex and has a purpose needs a designer
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The world is complex and has a purpose
↓
The world needs a designer
↓
The designer must be God as he is omniscient and eternal

Criticisms

Why are there problems with the universe?
What about evidence for evolution?
What about evidence for the Big Bang?
Why must God be the designer?
Why doesn't God need a designer?