

What will you choose to do?

- Look at photos of the different archipelago islands that Charles Darwin visited. Design and draw your own archipelago island.
- Make a fact file about different fossil types and, if possible, accompany an adult on a visit to a local museum that has fossils on display.
- Create a true or false quiz about Charles Darwin and his scientific expedition on HMS *Beagle*.
- Explain how animals such as polar bears, monkeys and sharks have evolved to suit their environment. Design a new fantastical creature that has evolved to suit its unique environment.
- If you live near London, you could visit the Darwin Centre at the Natural History Museum. If not, you can learn more about Charles Darwin and his work on the Natural History Museum website.
- Create your own Darwin's Delight word search using words you have learnt during the project. Challenge a grown up to solve your puzzle.
- Research HMS *Beagle* and make a fact-filled poster to display the information you find about the ship.
- Find out more about other famous scientists who had an interest in evolution and inheritance, such as Alfred Wallace or Mary Anning.
- Imagine you are the young scientist, Charles Darwin, out on his scientific expedition on HMS *Beagle*. Write an extract from his journal that describes part of the journey. It could be the start of the voyage, arriving at one of the islands, or discovering different animal species.
- What can you discover about Lonesome George, the last giant Pinta Island tortoise? Research conservation charities such as the World Wildlife Fund, to learn about current endangered species.
- Visit the Great Plant Hunt website and be a plant detective – just like Charles Darwin!

