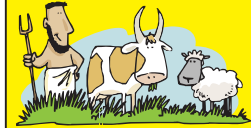


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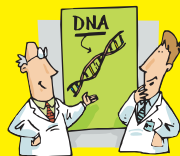
8000 BC - Long before they knew about DNA, farmers were practising selective breeding.



1859 AD - Charles Darwin publishes his theory of evolution through natural selection.

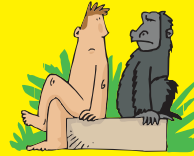


1863 - Gregor Mendel observes patterns of inheritance in pea plants.



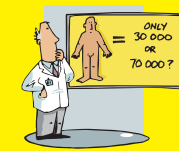
1953 - Watson and Crick determine the structure of DNA.

1966 - The genetic code is deciphered. DNA defines the sequence of amino acids in proteins.



1972 - Humans are found to share 99% of their DNA with gorillas and chimpanzees.

1990 - The Human Genome Project is launched...



2002 ... and completed, although scientists still differ on the total number of human genes.