Subject: Re: Intelligent design vs Evolution Posted by Dover on Tue, 08 Mar 2011 01:31:55 GMT

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shippo wrote on Mon, 07 March 2011 16:16A wolf is the same specie as a dog, they can interbread.

I don't think you understand what the word "species" means. There are plenty of animals that can interbreed. In most cases all it means is that they have the same number of chromosomes and share a (relatively) recent common ancestry.

shippo wrote on Mon, 07 March 2011 16:16According to Genetics the animal changes certian features based on what genes it already has not a brand new one.

With the example of the bird, the bird has both a gene for a small beak and a large beak. Lets say the large beak is a dominant gene and the small beak recessive. Now, if for some reason in the environment the birds with small beaks can get to food beter, those birds will survive and pass on the resesive gene. The other birds with the dominant gene will die out. the only gene then seen here would be the small beak gene. However no new gene was created.

To get an new gene, a gene must get mutated by either transcription errors or by some sort of viral infection. The statistic for transcription errors is 10-100 million the majority being harmful or non efective. Is it plausable to get a "good" mutation, yes but this takes more faith in my opinion than "creationism"

So your problem is you're not comprehending the absurdly long incommunicatably vast amount of time that the process takes. It's not a matter of faith, it's a matter of statistics. But I'm going to assume math isn't your strong suit.

A dice is rolled on that 10-100 million chance every time any creature anywhere reproduces another gamete. Multiplied by the number of creatures alive on earth, multiplied by time. How unlikely is it really?