

## 12. UNDERSTAND THAT HUMANS AND GREAT APES ARE IN THE SAME TAXONOMIC FAMILY (HOMINIDAE). THEY HAVE MANY DIFFERENCES.

Hominoid = human like (apes and humans)

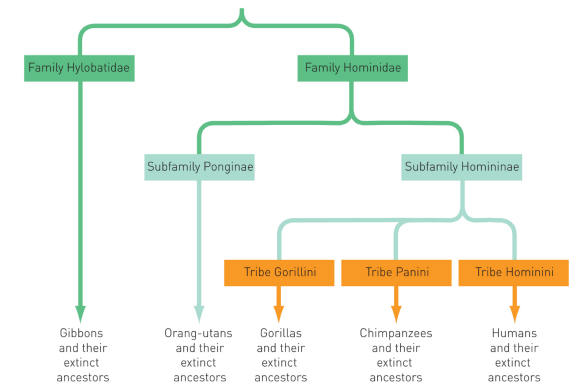
Hominid = human, recent ancestors and great apes

Hominin = only mans ancestors

Hominidae Family

The hominid Family (hominidae) is a sub group of the primates to which humans belong. Hominids have:

- Arms shorter than their legs
- Nostrils close together and pointing downwards
- Thumb opposable to all fingers (digits) but toes nit opposable
- An enlarged brain
- An upright posture
- No tail



	Pongids (Apes)	Hominids (Humans)	Evolutionary benefits
<b>HEAD</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sagittal crest is large in pongids (attachment of neck muscles)</li> <li>- Brow ridge is more prominent in apes (protects the eyes)</li> <li>- Large nuchal areas</li> <li>- Foramen magnum found towards back of skull</li> <li>- Forward jutting face, more prognathic (prognathism)</li> <li>- Very large check bones, to allow for jaw muscles (Zygomatic arch)</li> <li>- Chin is absent</li> <li>- 400-500cc (cranial capacity)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sagittal crest is absent in humans</li> <li>- Less prominent brow ridge</li> <li>- Small nuchal areas</li> <li>- Foramen magnum found central at base of skull.</li> <li>- Flat face (Prognathism)</li> <li>- Very small check bones (Zygomatic arch)</li> <li>- Prominent chin</li> <li>- 1350cc cranial capacity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Skull balances on vertebral column.</li> <li>- Smaller neck muscles.</li> <li>- Enables a larger brain.</li> <li>- Less prognathism</li> <li>• better skull balance</li> </ul>
<b>JAW AND DENTITION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Horseshoe shaped jaw</li> <li>- Large canine teeth, large incisors</li> <li>- Diastema present</li> <li>- Large brow ridges</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Parabola shaped jaw</li> <li>- Even sized teeth</li> <li>- No diastema</li> <li>- Smaller brow ridge</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Smaller teeth flatter face.</li> <li>- Better grinding action.</li> <li>- Smaller teeth flatter face.</li> <li>- Better grinding action.</li> </ul>

<b>HANDS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shorter thumb which is not as strong as in humans.</li> <li>• No full opposability.</li> <li>• Power grip only.</li> <li>- Bones of fingers curved</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Longer thumb</li> <li>• full opposability</li> <li>• precision grip</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Greater precision grip.</li> <li>- Allows for tool making, other crafts, writing</li> </ul>
<b>FEET</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One arch</li> <li>• longitudinal</li> <li>- Some opposability</li> <li>• Can grasp with feet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two arches</li> <li>• longitudinal and transverse</li> <li>- Big toe not opposable</li> <li>- Larger heel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Allows for striding gait</li> <li>• formation of spring.</li> <li>- Big toe</li> <li>• ease of walking</li> </ul>
<b>VERTEBRAE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- C shaped</li> <li>- Large square vertebrae at neck – supporting large neck muscles</li> <li>- Higher centre of gravity (rib area)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- S shaped</li> <li>- Lumbar curve</li> <li>- Large wedge shaped vertebrae</li> <li>• Lower centre of gravity (pelvis area)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Allows head to balance on neck without muscle support.</li> <li>- Head aligns directly above the pelvis.</li> </ul>
<b>PELVIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shape - long and elongated</li> <li>- Angled forward</li> <li>- Femur is vertical</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shape - short and broad</li> <li>- Tilted back- Bowl shaped</li> <li>- supports abdominal muscles</li> <li>- Femur is not vertical</li> <li>• carrying angle</li> <li>- Brings knees toward central line of body</li> <li>- Outer condyle of hinge joint is stronger</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Support for organs.</li> <li>- Muscle attachment for leg muscles</li> </ul>
<b>LOCOMOTION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Quadrupedal</li> <li>- Arms longer than legs</li> <li>- Scapular very large</li> <li>- Carrying angle absent</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bipedal</li> <li>- Led longer than arms</li> <li>- Small scapular</li> <li>- Carrying angle present</li> </ul>	
<b>OTHER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Simple speech</li> <li>- Some reliance on smell</li> <li>- Large amounts of hair</li> <li>- Prenatal care for 2-5 yrs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complex speech</li> <li>- Most reliance on sight.</li> <li>- Limited body hair</li> <li>- Prenatal care for up to 20 yrs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Communication</li> <li>- Parasite control/thermoregulation</li> <li>- Increased chance of survival</li> </ul>

### 13. DETERMINE RELATEDNESS AND POSSIBLE EVOLUTIONARY PATHWAYS FOR HOMINIDS USING COMPARISON OF MODERN HUMANS AND THE GREAT APES WITH FOSSILS OF

	Physical	Lifestyle and culture	Major advantages
<b>AUSTRALOPITHECINES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 450-500 cc brain capacity</li> <li>- Strong curved fingers and toes</li> <li>- Shorter thumb</li> <li>- Well developed brow ridges</li> <li>- Jaw prognathic</li> <li>- Arms longer than legs</li> <li>- Vertebrae less wedge shaped</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Home bases</li> <li>- Hunters and foragers</li> <li>- Broad range of habitats</li> <li>- Mainly vegetarians</li> <li>- Social groups</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Some basic tool use               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• pebble tools</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Bipedal</li> <li>- Some precision grip</li> </ul>
<b>HOMO HABILIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 600-700cc brain capacity</li> <li>- Robust hands, powerful grip</li> <li>- Could climb trees</li> <li>- Bulge in speech area of brain</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Food gathering</li> <li>- At night went to trees</li> <li>- Shift to meat eating</li> <li>- Hunting/sharing/co-operation</li> <li>- Communication</li> <li>- Extended parental care</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- First tool maker!!!</li> <li>- Oldowan tools               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• stone</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>HOMO ERECTUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1000 cc brain capacity</li> <li>- Modern teeth</li> <li>- Brow ridges</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Building of shelters</li> <li>- Better tools</li> <li>- Fire!!!</li> <li>- Variety of hunting techniques</li> <li>- Improved communication               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• better language</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Cooking               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• destroyed parasites</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Acheulian Hand Axe</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use of fire :               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protection</li> <li>• Hunting</li> <li>• Warmth</li> <li>• Cooking of food</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Tools of stone and bone – Acheulian tool culture</li> </ul>
<b>HOMO NEANDERTHALENSIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1400- 1500 cc brain capacity</li> <li>- Large occipital bun</li> <li>- Cheeks swept back</li> <li>- Heavy brow ridges</li> <li>- Very large, flat nose</li> <li>- Robust but shorter than modern man/muscley</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Well developed social system</li> <li>- Buried dead</li> <li>- Cared for disabled</li> <li>- Co-operative hunting</li> <li>- Cloth maker</li> <li>- Art/cave drawings</li> <li>- Perhaps belief in after life               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• religion</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Mousterian tool culture</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hafting               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• adding a handle to tools</li> </ul> </li> <li>- More complex tools               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cutters, scrapers, piercers.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Use of bone and stone</li> <li>- Mousterian Tools</li> </ul>

**CROMAGNON – HOMO SAPIENS**

- 1350 cc brain capacity
- Flat face and rounded cranium
- Even sized teeth
- Legs longer than arms
- Carrying angle
- Longer thumb and straight fingers
- Live anywhere
- modify environment
- Complex society
- Increase food production
- Full speech/many languages
- Cultures of tools include
- Magdalenian, Aurignacian, Solutrean
- Blade/bone/antler tools (complex)
- Written language
- Portable art
- Figurines
- stone and ivory