

LECTURE QUESTIONS: Hawaii-Laboratory for Evolution (Lect 1)

What are the two ways we define evolution?

What characteristics of Hawaii make it a laboratory for evolutionary study?

What are some of the ways colonizing organisms reached Hawaii?

Why is isolation important in understanding the evolutionary history of Hawaii's flora and fauna?

Why do we study groups such as the silverswords to understand evolution?

What are endemic organisms? Are there many endemic plants and animals in Hawaii?

What are some characteristics of Hawaii's biota?

