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Have They Discovered The Ape-man?

There is a widespread claim, mostly in school and college textbooks that man has developed from Apes or from Ape-like creatures.

A large number fossil-names are mentioned by these book, and also in the popular media, to support the monkeys-to-man hypothesis.

Obviously, the account of creation as mentioned in the Bible and these ape-man claims are at variance with each other. So what is the truth?

Examine for yourself! Here are the facts, and YOU decide if they are true or false!

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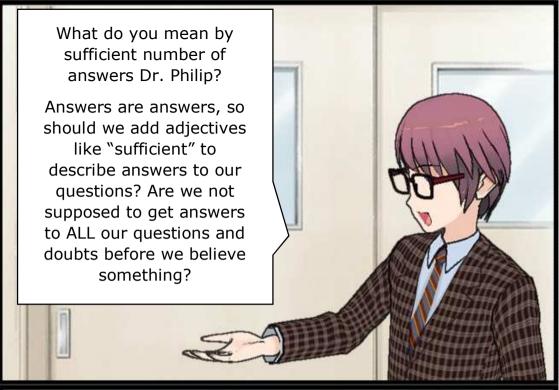
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God be with you Anand.
It is always good for
young people to ask
their doubts because
right answers received at
the right time always
build up one's faith.

All of us have our doubts. None of us has all the answers.
However, if we search carefully, we will surely come up with sufficient number of answers to strengthen our faith in spite of not knowing everything!



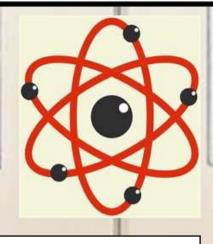


Anand, there is a mistaken notion that we need to – or that we do – get answers to all our questions before we believe in something. Only an all-knowing person has answers to everything. Obviously, we are not all-knowing people. Else we would not have been asking any questions.

In fact, faith and acceptance of something is based upon "sufficient" answers and not upon "total" answers. Let me give you the example of atoms.

Look at this model of the atom. EVERYONE believed it to be true when it was proposed almost a century ago.



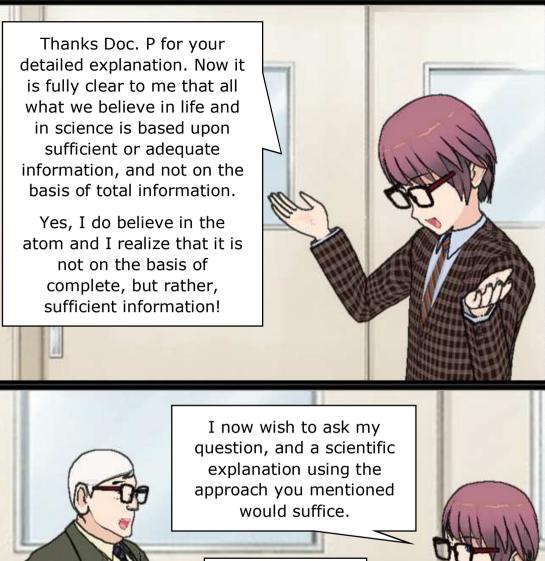


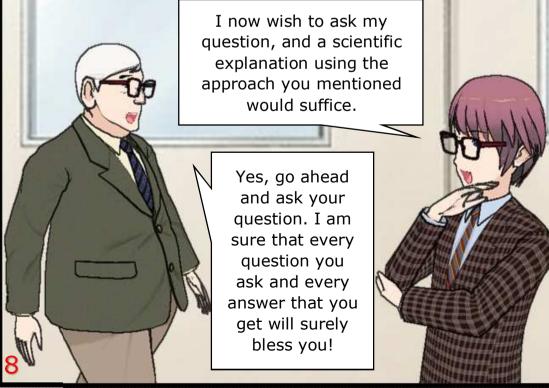
YOU have told me many times that you believe in it. YET our knowledge of atomic model is **NOT** complete even after one century of studies!



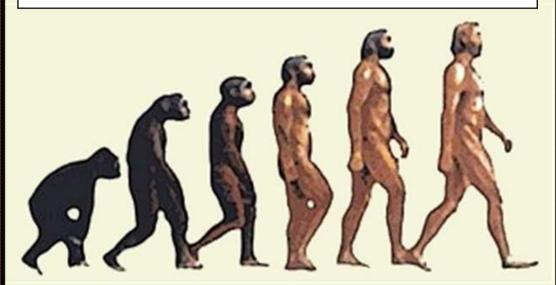
Yet, **EVERYONE** believes the atomic model to be true because even the incomplete information that we possess about it after a long one century of research is adequate or sufficient to completely believe in it.

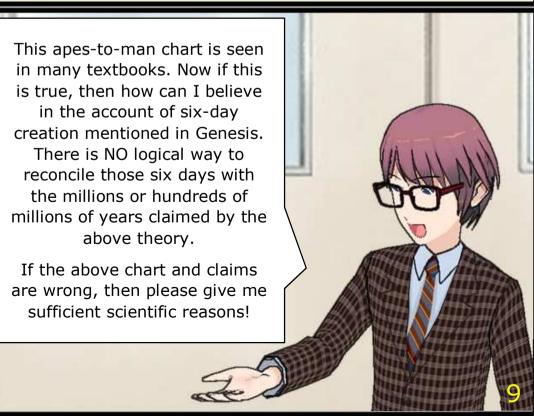
In the same way, man can have only sufficient information, and it is futile to ask for total information.





My doubt is related to the picture shown here. My teacher, and many of my friends, claim that man developed from apes and that there is plenty of fossil-evidence for this.



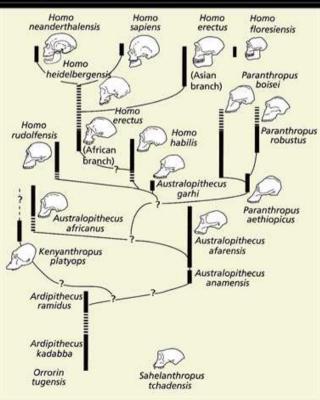




I did realize that one or more people are going to show this monkey-to-man picture to you and claim that there is a neat apes-to-man evolution proved by fossils.

We will come to fossils soon. But before that let me tell you: there are hardly two dozen claimed ape-man species (kinds), but there are NUMEROUS ways in which believers of evolution have arranged them. A good example is the totally non-linear tree given below.

There is no beginning to end progress, and this is contrary to the above picture. So there is no agreement among them.





According to the most widely circulated story, apes or apelike creatures evolved into modern human beings **VIA** several intermediate links. So the proof of evolution is in the numerous intermediate forms.

The impression given is that there are multiple intermediate fossils between ape-like creatures and modern humans.

Let me list the most-known "intermediate links" in the chart given below:

- Pliopithecus
- Proconsul
- Dryopithecus
- Oreopithecus
- Ramapithecus
- Australopithecus Africanus
- Australopithecus Boisei

- Australopithecus Robustus
- Homo Erectus
- Homo Habilis
- Solo Man
- Rhodesian Man
- Neanderthal Man
- Cro Magnon Man

The names look impressive and it seems they have really discovered something important. HOWEVER, the most important question is not whether they have discovered fossils, but whether they have discovered **INTERMEDIATE** fossils. **ONLY** intermediate fossils demonstrate that one species evolved into another!



They tell me that there are NUMEROUS intermediate fossils between apes and humans.
That's what worries me.

I feel you are worrying too soon. The actual picture is not as simple as they generally project.

We will take an analytical approach, and you decide at the end!



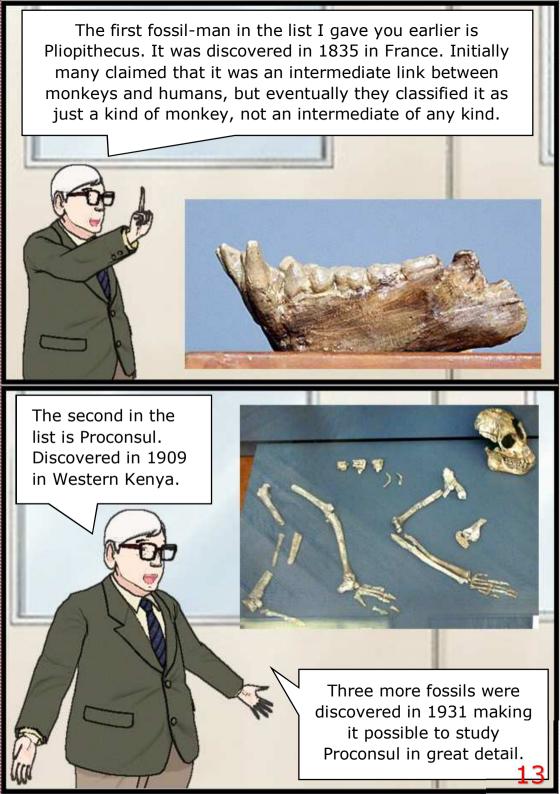


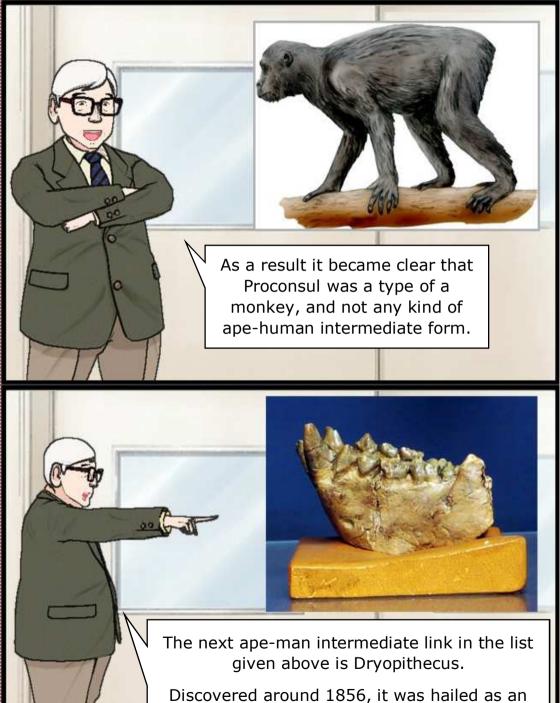
The so-called fossil-man or fossil ape-man can be classified into four categories. These are:

- Genuinely monkey
- Genuinely human
- Genuinely mistaken
- Deliberate Deception

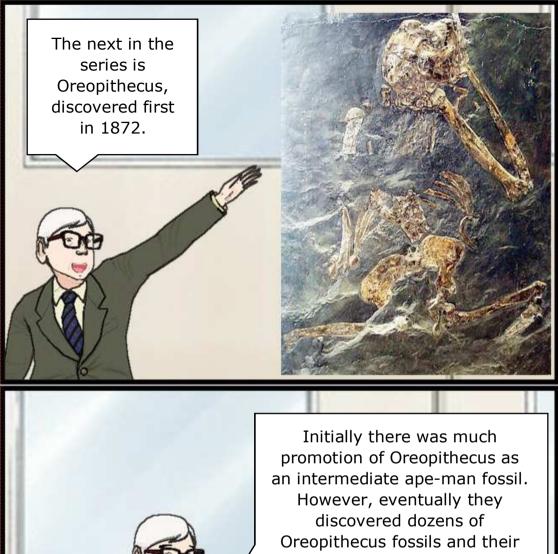
Most people do not know that four such categories of fossils exist, but every genuine inquirer like should know about them.

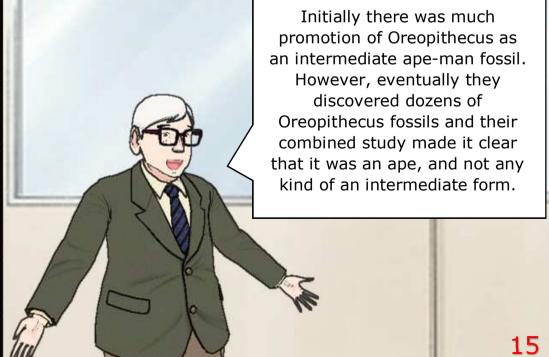
I will give you a detailed description of all four of them before I leave it up to you to decide what is what!

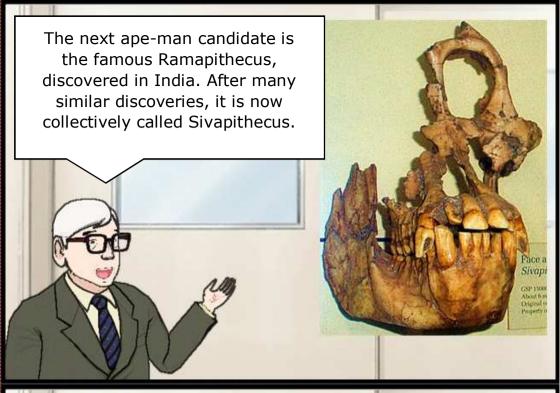




intermediate form, but later labelled as just a kind of monkey. Thus it is not an intermediate fossil between apes and







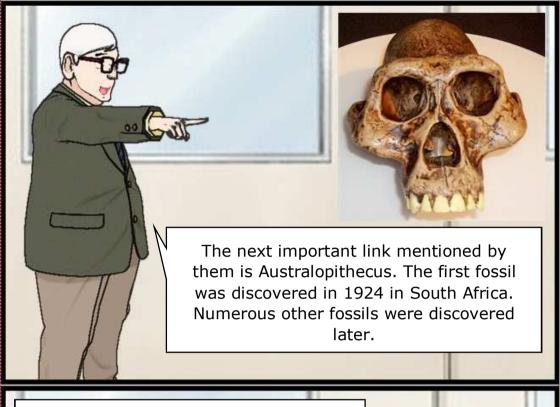
I still remember late nineteen sixties and early seventies, my senior school and early college years, when the name Ramapithecus was used by practically every atheist and anti-Bible thinker to terrorize Bible-believing people.

Today, however, Ramapithecus is identified as a pure ape, and no serious scientist claims it to be an intermediate link.



Unfortunately, even in this twenty-first century many of my friends claim that Ramapithecus is an ape-man missing-link. Thanks for clarifying that the scientific community no longer considers it such a link.

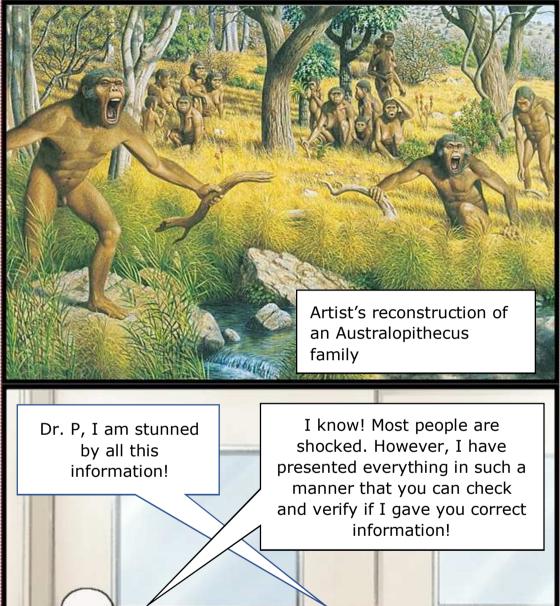




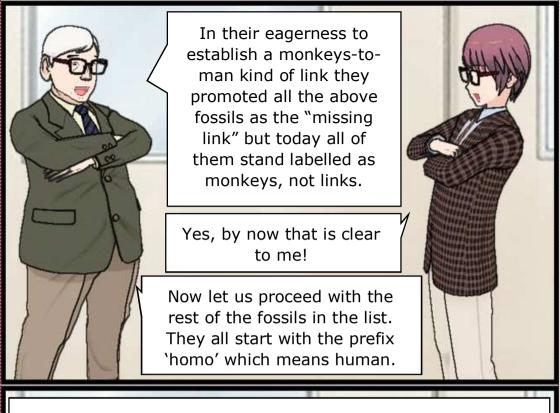
Australopithecus was aggressively promoted as a missing intermediate link, but after the discovery of numerous fossils they have classified it as just another ape, and not a link.





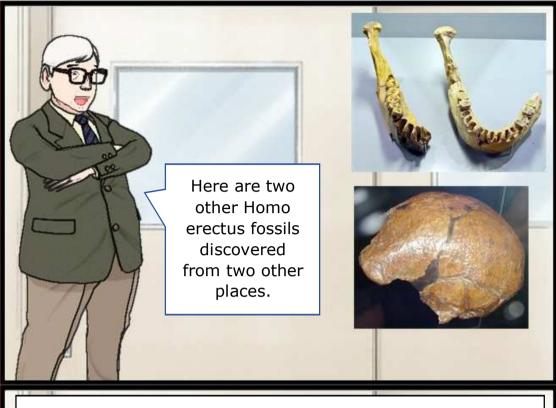




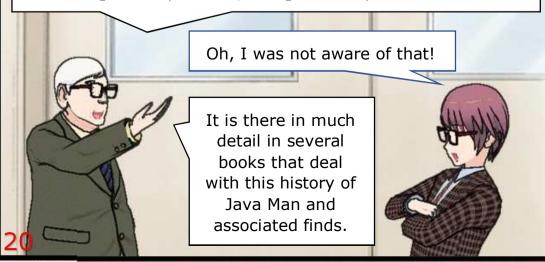


Widely known as Java Man, it was boldly declared and propagated as a missing link. However, the discovery of many other similar fossils prompted scientists to analyse them all and classify all of them together as "Homo Erectus" or humans who walked erect. It was genuinely human, not a link.



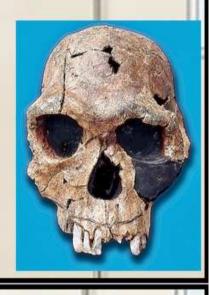


Eugene Dubois, the original discoverer of the Java Man used many questionable methods to establish his discovery as 'the' definitive missing-link. The beauty of science is that everything is open to cross-examination by other experts. This is how Java Man and other similar fossils were identified as genuinely human, and given the prefix 'homo'.



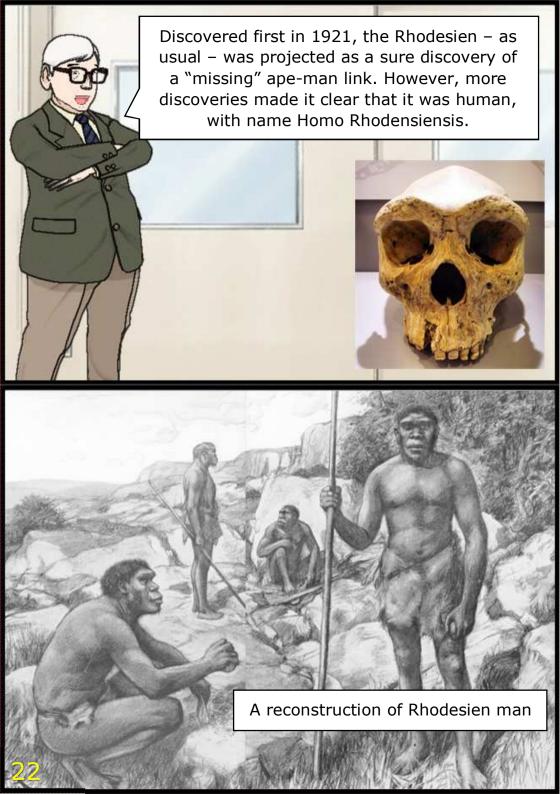


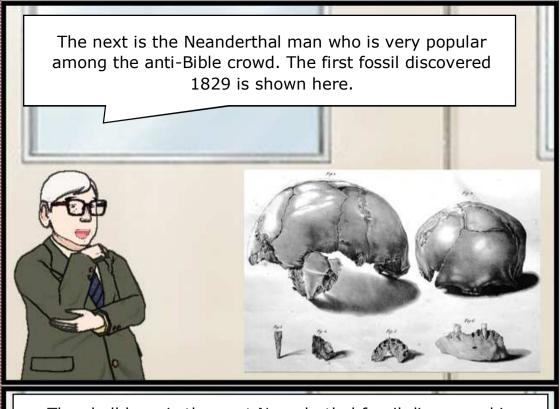
The next in the list is Homo Habilis. Several fossils were discovered in the last decades of 1900s and each one was initially projected as 'the' missing-link. However, eventually all of these were placed in the category of 'Homo' which means man.



Here is a reconstruction of Homo Habilis as he might have looked. You would immediately notice that these features are present in many modern-day human cultures. Contrary to many claims this is not an ape-to-man intermediate link.





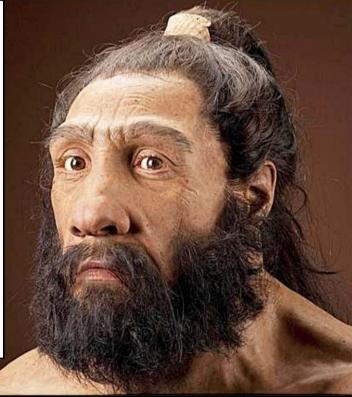


The skull here is the next Neanderthal fossil discovered in 1848. There has been much propaganda to establish the Neanderthal as a missing link. However, they eventually discovered multiple skeletons and these established that the Neanderthal was a human. Today Homo Neanderthalensis is accepted as fully human, not a missing link.

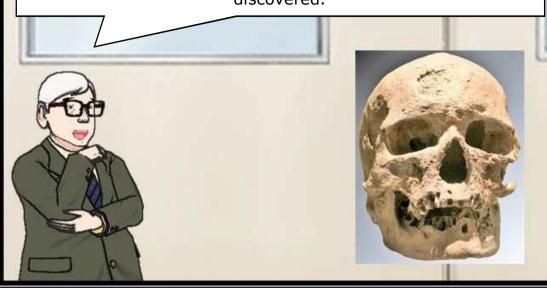




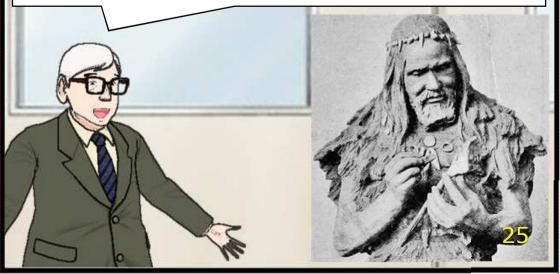
This is a threedimensional rendering of Neanderthal, based upon the most modern forensic reconstruction techniques using which they reconstruct the face of dead victims from their skull-bones. Obviously, this is no ape-man link!

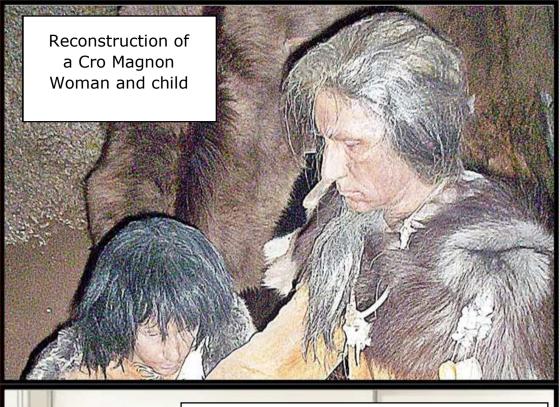


Generally the last fossil-man link offered by evolutionists is the Cro Magnon Man. The first fossil was discovered in 1868, but eventually a large number of them were discovered.



Cro Magnon man was widely projected as an evolutionary ancestor of modern man, but careful observers realized that he was a modern man with a brain capacity exceeding by 100 cc compared to present-day humans. A reconstructed picture of Cro Magnon man is given below!

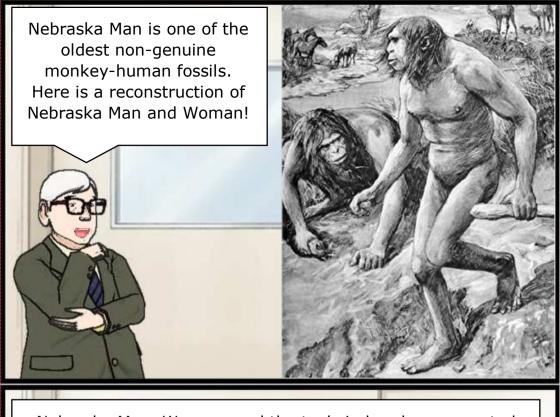




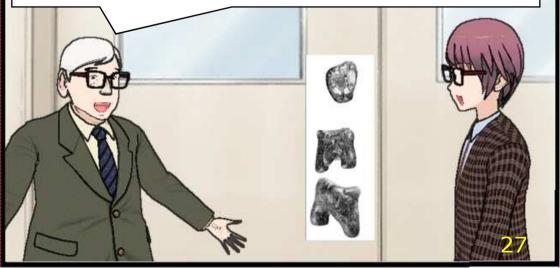
Cro Magnon Man is the last name on the list of fossil-men that had given earlier. The list is taken from an article on the evolution of man.

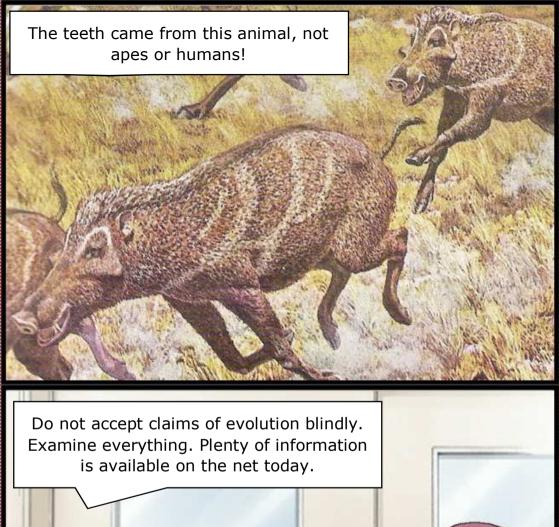
We saw that some of the fossils in this list were genuine monkeys and the rest were genuine humans.

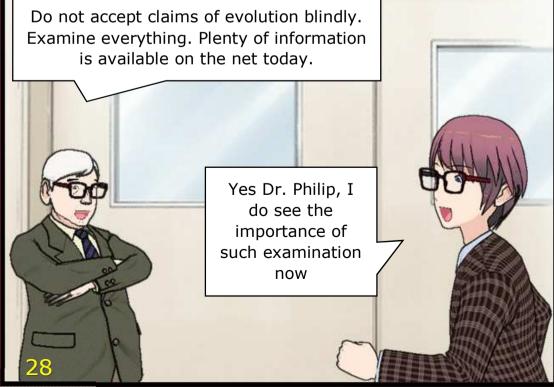
However, many fossils turned out to be non-genuine, or even outright forgeries. People forged them to establish the theory of monkeys-toman story. I will mention some of these non-genuine fossils now.

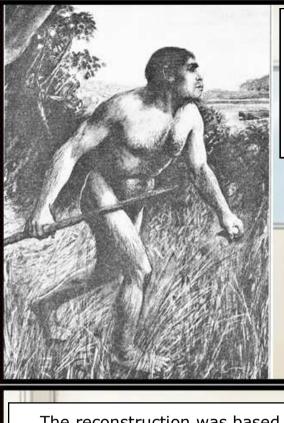


Nebraska Man, Woman, and the tools in hand were created on the basis of one tooth. It was even presented in a famous court case to prove evolution. However, when they discovered the full skeleton it turned out to be a pig-like animal having not even remote human connection.







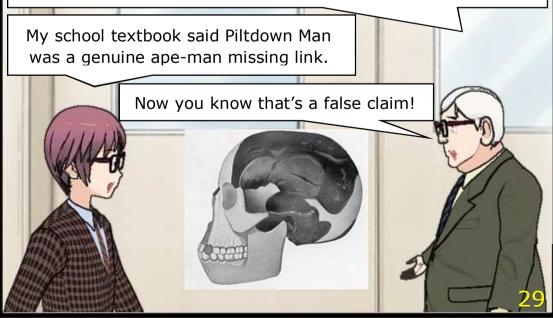


The next non-genuine fossil

– Piltdown Man – was an
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documents were published to
endorse and promote him.



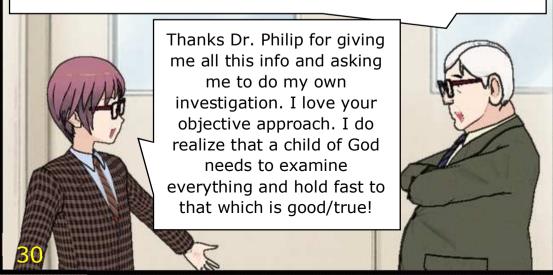
The reconstruction was based on a few pieces of skull. The black portions in the picture are the missing parts of the skull. It was widely endorsed as a genuine ape-man link fossil.





World's topmost scientists examined the fragments of skull and pronounced Piltdown Man a genuine ape-man link!

Discovered in 1915, it was exposed in 1953 as a forgery – made by combining a portion of human skull of medieval age, a 500-year-old lower jaw of an orangutan and chimpanzee fossil teeth. They were given an appearance of age by chemical straining -- all done by experts in fossil sciences.



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As a truthseeker I plan to do exactly what you suggested Dr. Philip.

I will examine everything and hold on to what is true!



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