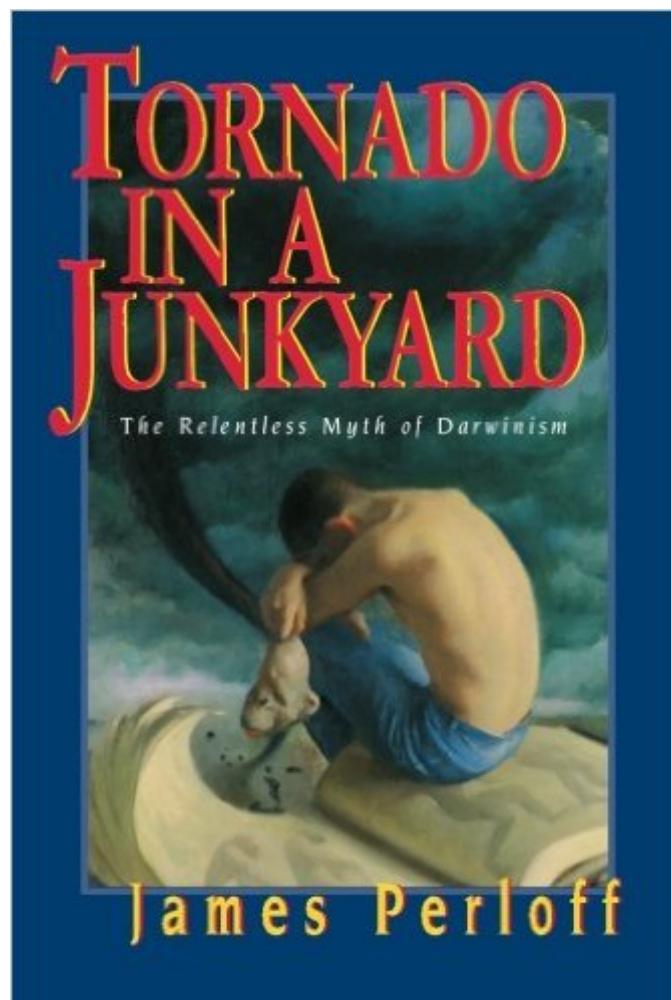


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Tornado In A Junkyard: The Relentless Myth Of Darwinism



Synopsis

In an easy-to-read text, this book examines the growing scientific evidence that is challenging Darwin's theory of evolution: lack of transitional forms in the fossil record; the impossibility of mutations (almost universally destructive) serving as evolutionary building blocks; the flawed logic of natural selection theory; the stunning lack of evidence for ape-men; the mathematic impossibility of life beginning by itself; and much more. Also explores the damaging effect societal impact of Darwinism, and examines how *Inherit the Wind* grossly misled Americans about the Scopes trial. Addresses the ever-vital question: Are we here by chance or are we created by God? Indexed, over 80 illustrations, hundreds of quotes from scientists. ENDORSEMENTS DR. DUANE T. GISH, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, INSTITUTE FOR CREATION RESEARCH: "Tornado in a Junkyard" by James Perloff should be in the library of every one who is interested in the subject of origins. This book is a powerful argument for creation because it is thorough, fully documented, and scientifically accurate. It is easily readable by scientist and layman alike, and is written in a popular style that will make it interesting and entertaining for readers of all ages. I highly recommend this book. • PUBLISHER'S WEEKLY, 8-30-99: "James Perloff's intriguing *Tornado in a Junkyard* aims to debunk evolutionary theory in favor of creationism. Perloff, a former contributing editor to the *New American*, draws upon the work of neo-Darwinists and geneticists to argue that 'while microevolution does occur--meaning minor adaptations and variations within a species,' there is no solid evidence for macroevolution, or conversion of one animal type into another." • DR. EMMETT L. WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT, CREATION RESEARCH SOCIETY: "Tornado in a Junkyard is a unique presentation of the scientific case against Darwinism, informally written for laymen. If you are looking for a user-friendly explanation of the facts supporting creation, this book is for you." • CONSERVATIVE BOOK CLUB, 12-99: "James Perloff brings all the data together in a volume readily accessible to nonscientific types. His conclusion, carefully drawn: science contradicts Darwinism. . . . Perloff's style, unusually lively, makes *Tornado in a Junkyard* entertaining as well as educational." • ACTOR JACK LEMMON, WHO PLAYED CLARENCE DARROW IN THE 1999 FILM VERSION OF *INHERIT THE WIND*: "My congratulations to Mr. Perloff for an outstanding piece of work." • HOMESCHOOLING TODAY, JAN/FEB-2000: "Why another 'anti-evolution' book? Because *Tornado in a Junkyard* is different. Author James Perloff, a former fanatical atheist and anti-creationist, understands the other side's point of view. He presents facts that logically disprove Darwinism and unveils the many frauds and lies perpetrated by Darwinists that the public accepts as unshakeable scientific fact." • ELLEN MYERS, CREATION RESOURCE LIBRARY, WICHITA, KANSAS: "I've been heavily involved in the

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Customer Reviews

This excellent summary of creationist arguments against the theory of evolution comes from an unlikely source. Perloff's previous book was *The Shadows of Power*, an exposé of private influence on American foreign policy. Perloff isn't a professional creationist. He just seems to be an intelligent individual who reads technical literature and understands the reasons why modern scientists are rejecting the theory of evolution. Chapter 1 tells us about the author's anti-Christian, liberal background. Being the same age as the author, I enjoyed his nostalgic look back at the 1960's. I suspect younger readers would not. The good stuff starts at chapter 2. Chapter 2 deals with the fossil record. Rather than proving evolution, the fossil record presents evolutionists with

problems they must explain away. Perloff gives a good overview of the basic problems. Chapter 3 explains why genetic mutations can't create higher life forms. There are some obvious logical problems with Darwinian evolution, which are explored in chapter 4. Darwinian evolution must answer the question, "What good is half an eye?" Perloff's brief, but adequate, explanation of irreducible complexity explains why half an organ won't win any battles for survival. Then he points out that the classification system (taxonomy) is based on the fact that there are distinct differences in species. If evolution were true, it should be hard to classify animals because there should be so many intermediate forms. It would be like trying to divide a rainbow into distinct colors. (Exactly where does Orange end and Red begin?) But animals are easily classified because there are such obvious differences between species.

I just finished this book on a plane. I am an attorney, and largely an agnostic, though I believe there is a higher power. This book specifically addresses virtually every aspect of Darwinism and evolution, answering many of the questions I had along the way. As I have written elsewhere, I always "believed" in evolution because it seemed, on the surface, logical. However, after reading this book, I can't stop thinking about the arguments it raises clearly and well, and just how little evidence there is for evolution from a primordial soup to man. Indeed, I had no idea the creation theory (while I don't fully buy it) is much less a leap of faith than Darwinism/Macro-evolution. This only becomes obvious when you understand fully what little evidence there is for it. Perloff convinced me that evolution is more a slap at a divine being than a rational supportable scientific theory. I posed several of the questions to a friend of mine who teaches college biology and zoology. His answers were largely sophomoric pabulum I tore apart slowly and methodically with more questions. Once you know what to ask, and have a handle on the evidence and science, it is much easier. Finally, his face went blank, his voice fell silent, and he mustered up the honesty to tell me there really is very little evidence to support macro-evolution. He also said the fully developed fossils found in the oldest layers are "troubling," and the recent developments in DNA and cellular research has--in his words--"nearly closed the door on Darwin's theory." What, I asked him, does this leave us with? He could not say, but he said more and more of his science colleagues are seriously questioning evolution. "What proof is there for evolution?" "None," was his final answer. After reading this book, I can understand why.

Darwin's theory of evolution and "survival of the fittest" are taught as fact in nearly all of today's schools. Any other theory of the source and principles of life on earth are shouted down, belittled

and attacked with vigor. But how sound is Darwin's theory? James Perloff uses statements from evolutionist scientists and those of prominent scientists to expose the weaknesses of evolution theory. In the end, you have to have more faith in miracles to believe in evolution than you do for "intelligent design" theory. Some of the areas discussed:^{*} Darwin's own concerns of the weakness of his theory.^{*} Difference between variation within a species, and transformation of a species into another species.^{*} Lack of evidence of evolutionary development in the record of 250,000 fossils, or even in the known history of animal life.^{*} Order does not accidentally arise from disorder.^{*} Living organisms are rife with examples of irreducible complexity. That is, mechanisms such as reproduction that require many complex components to be available at the same time; there is no means by which the components could be evolved independently. With so many weaknesses in evolution theory, and so many indications of intelligent design in nature and especially life, why is it that evolutionists are so adamant and vigorous in the defense of their own theory and in the attack of competing theories? In other areas of science multiple theories are accepted and taught simultaneously until hard proof is developed to disprove one or the other. But when it comes to the origin of life the evolutionists are religious zealots of Darwin.

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