

Chimpanzee & Human Chromosomes



Student Activity Sheets



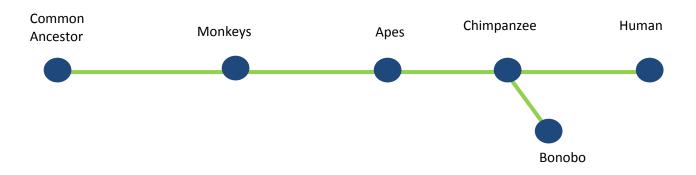






Activity One: Who are our relatives?

1. Circle the areas that you think are wrong with this primate family tree:



2. Using a pencil in the space below draw what you think a primate family tree should look like:









Activity Two: Chromosome Puzzle



1.	Predict how similar or different you	think the karyotype of the human chromosome will be?	
2.	I have chimpanzee chromosome n	umber:	
3.	Using the space below, draw or stick in a picture of what your chimpanzee and human chromosome looks like:		
Chi	mpanzee Chromosome	Human Chromosome	
	(Number:)	(Number:)	
4.	Describe the similarities and differ	ences between the two chromosomes	
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Chromosome Key:

Red bands: Centromere – used by the cell to pull duplicated chromosomes away from each other when the cells divide.

Yellow Bands: Heterochromatin – bands of DNA that do not code of any particular function but can sometimes restrict gene expression

Blue Bands: Ribosomes – protein making factories

Pink bands: - Where part of old centromere still remains



Activity Three: Mysterious Chromosomes

1.	In the space below, draw or stick in a picture of the human chromosome 2:	
2.	What are the possible explanations as to why chimpanzees have an extra chromosome:	
3.	In the space below, draw or stick in a picture of the human and chimpanzee chromosome 12:	
4.	Look closely at chromosome 12, what mutation has happened?	
5.	Do you think this mutation will have an effect on gene function of chromosome 12?	









6.	Why is it important that some mutations happen within a genetic population?		





