**Directions:** Write a 3-5-paragraph position paper on the Theory of Evolution

Components:

-Take a position (take a side): Is evolution fact? Or fiction?

-Make a claim (this is your topic sentence/thesis)

-Make sure you include a relevant introduction and conclusion

-Find evidence (at least 3 pieces!) to support your claim

-Acknowledge the rebuttal (opposing argument) and use it to further support your own argument by providing evidence against it

**Helpful hint**: Use the CERR formula to create your argument!

DUE: Wednesday 10/8/14 on ASPEN (should be TYPED!)

Rubric:

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| Component | 4 (Great) | 3 (Good) | 2 (Poor) | 1 (Warning) | 0 (Missing) |
| Thesis (claim) clearly stated |  |  |  |  |  |
| Introduction and conclusion are present and relevant |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least three pieces of evidence are used to support claim (points x 2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reasoning is provided for each piece of evidence and links to claim |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rebuttal is acknowledged, and used to strengthen argument |  |  |  |  |  |
| Paper is typed, with proper length/formatting and mechanics |  |  |  |  |  |

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