CONCEPT: INTRODUCTION TO SPONTANEOUS GENERATION

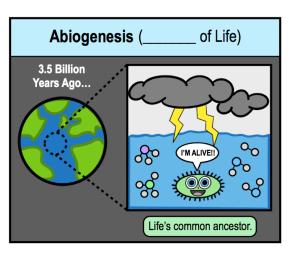
• Today it is well known that _____ life is only produced by _____-existing life, but that was not always the case.

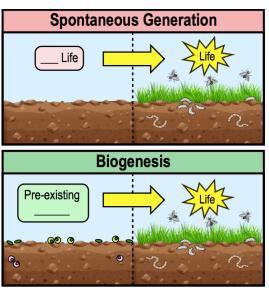
•For thousands of years, many ______ believed life generated from non-living material.

□ **Spontaneous Generation**: regular conversion of _____-living matter to complex living organisms (soil → worms).

□ ____biogenesis: theory of a _____, likely *onetime* event of the *origin* of *simple* life from non-living matter.

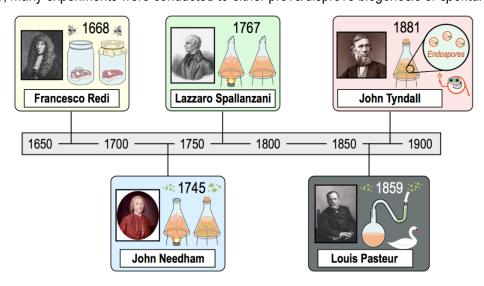
genesis: theory that living organisms arise only from _____-existing life.





Biogenesis vs. Spontaneous Generation

• From 1668 to 1881, many experiments were conducted to either prove/disprove biogenesis or spontaneous generation.



PRACTICE: _____ is the theory that living organisms require pre-existing life in order to generate.

a) Abiogenesis.

b) Biogenesis.

c) Evolution.

d) Spontaneous Generation.