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How did the universe begin? How did the earth evolve? How did life start? What does the future hold? Three eminent scientists--an astrophysicist, an organic chemist, and an anthropologist--ponder such questions and offer enlightening answers.

In this relatively brief but potent book, three eminent scientists--an astrophysicist, an organic chemist, and an anthropologist--ponder and discuss some of the basic questions that have obsessed humankind through the ages, and offer thoughtful, enlightening answers, in terms the layperson can easily understand. Until now, most of these questions were addressed by religion and philosophy. But science has reached a point where it, too, can voice an opinion.

Beginning with the Big Bang roughly 15 billion years ago, the authors trace the evolution of the cosmos, from the first particles, the atoms, the molecules, the development of cells, organisms, living creatures, up to the tardy arrival of Homo erectus and Homo sapiens. We descend, they show, from bacteria and monkeys, but also from the stars and galaxies: the elements that make up the human body are the same elements that, in the depths of time, constituted the universe. ""We are,"" say the authors, ""truly children of the stars."" Provocative, informative, free of technical or scientific jargon, Origins, which is structured as a play in three acts, offers compelling insights into how the universe, life on Earth, and the human species began and evolved, based on the most up-to-date knowledge and in the light of the most recent scientific discoveries.

It will make the reader think differently about the world we live in.

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Anthony Friscia says

In my never ending question for a book to use for my freshman general science General Education class, I tried this one. The premise is it's a series of conversations, with an astronomer, a biologist, and a paleoanthropologist, who each talk about their bit of the history of the universe. It started out OK, and I liked the format, even if the 'interviewer' comes off as dumb as a hammer, but when it got to the biology, and even more so human fossil history, it was horrible, and in places just plain wrong. Maybe something was lost in translation, since I think this was originally published in French. Ugh... the French...

Ozgur Baltat says

Evrenin oluşumu, yaşamın ortaya çıkması ve insanın evrim sürecini son derece yalın ve anlaşılır bir dille anlatan bir kitap. Konusunda uzman üç bilim adamıyla yapılan söyleşi notları.

Kitabın ismi de çok hoş değil mi.

Karol Ujueta Rojas says

The first book in french about science that I read :D . This is a nice and easy recount about the origin and evolution of the universe and the story of man on earth.

Joseph Greiner says

Wanted more detail.

The author does a wonderful job simplifying complex subject matter for the everyday reader. I was hoping for more depth and complexity in the sections related to prehistory. I think Dawkins book The Ancestors Take provides additional detail.

Siham says

En faisant la lecture de ce beau livre , j'avais l'impression d'assister a une conférence animée par des grands spécialistes dans les différents domaines de la science. j'étais éperdument fascinée par cette longue histoire de la " création " de l'univers , de ce long et lent passage de l'inerte au vivant , d'un simple particule aux organismes les plus variés et les plus compliqués .

Mais depuis l'arrivée de l'homme sur terre , et a partir duquel il a commencé a marché sur les deux pieds , et a avoir conscience de lui-meme , la belle phase de l'histoire s'était achevée pour donner commencement a une tragédie humaine crée par les humains eux memes en devenant après les premiers victimes de tout ce qu'ils ont pensé avec leurs petites cervelles , et de tout ce qu'ils ont fait avec leurs pauvres mains .
c'était la phase de la destruction et de l'autodestruction : une évolution vers le déclin, un déclin marqué par le passage de l'homme de l'évolution biologique vers l'évolution sociale et technique qui cache toute sorte de souffrance et de la misère ..

Cet pauvre Homme qui se laisse diriger et détruire par ses propres pulsions et ses propres désirs , Et , conscient de toutes les souffrances qui en découlent ne cesse pourtant de se demander ...

Mais Pourquoi sommes-nous ici ?
et pourquoi toute cette histoire et toute cette complexité ?
est-ce le fruit du hasard ?
Une divinité qui s'amusait ?

Saurons-nous un jour ?
Et que dira-t-on maintenant ?
En nuisant assez a sa propre planète et en épuisant ses sources limitées , l'espèce humaine s'approche-t-elle de sa propre fin comme beaucoup d'autres êtres ont évolué et disparu ?

Alain says

L'univers, la vie, l'homme, leurs histoires croisées par 3 scientifiques ou la vulgarisation des dernières connaissances (enfin ce livre a quand même une vingtaine d'année). On a l'impression parfois de se plonger dans un manuel scolaire mais cela reste passionnant

Agustina729 says

...¿De dónde venimos? ¿Qué somos? ¿Adónde vamos? Son las únicas preguntas que vale la pena plantear. Cada uno ha buscado la respuesta a su modo, en el titilar de una estrella, el ir y venir del océano, la mirada de una mujer o la sonrisa de un recién nacido... ¿Por qué vivimos? ¿Por qué hay un mundo? ¿Por qué estamos aquí?...

Un libro que encuentra el equilibrio entre todas las ciencias, ideologías, teorías y leyes, para explicar el origen de nuestra existencia.

María Paz Greene F says

Uno de los libros MÁS MARAVILLOSOS QUE HE LEÍDO JAMÁS. Tuve la suerte de crecer junto a él. Si me faltaba algún resquicio donde no estuviera enamorada de la vida, aquí se llenó e incluso sobrepasó. Dan ganas de reverenciarse y/o de llorar. Lo recomiendo total y absolutamente.

Ellen says

The details of this short book were so interesting. Also liked how the authors point out when religious creation stories are compatible with the science.

Some of the things that blew my mind:

Hydrogen and helium nuclei formed within a minute of the Big Bang, but then nothing happened for hundreds of millions of years, until the universe cooled enough for atoms to form.

Earth is made of stardust and matter brought to it by comets and meteors.

How long chains of molecules reacted with clay in Earth's tidal pools and formed droplets with membranes, a precursor to living organisms.

After the collapse of the Great Rift Valley created a geological divide that could not be crossed, gorillas, monkeys and chimpanzees lived in the forests west of the divide (probably) and prehumans lived in the dry plains east of the divide, all descended from a common ape ancestor.

The Sun will incinerate the Earth in five billion years when it becomes a red giant. Jupiter will be reduced to its rocky core.

Marie Bouteille says

Je le lisais un peu à reculons mais c'est un excellent livre de vulgarisation sur l'évolution de l'univers, de la vie et de l'espèce humaine qui m'a beaucoup intéressée. J'ai compris pas mal de choses auxquelles je restais hermétique.

Millie says

Interesting, Enlightening

I love physics, astrophysics, theoretical physics, but I'm not really clever enough to grasp the concepts all that well. This book made it easy. And I appreciated the way the discussion was put into three acts, displaying the symmetry of evolution in the universe, the planet, species and humanity.

Aydin Akinci says

Han?mlar beyler,
Kar??m?zda her kütüphanede muhakak bulunmas? gereken bir ?aherser var. 160 sayfal?k bu minik kitap Evrenin ba?lang?c?ndan bugüne yarat?l???n,hayat?n öyküsünü bilimsel aç?klamalar ve mevcut kan?tlarla çok anla??labilir bir dille gerçekten bir öykü tad?nda anlat?yor. Yazar kitab? birbirinden de?erli ve çal??kan üç bilim adam?yla (bir astrofizikçi,bir moleküler biyolog,bir antropolog) yapt??? bir sohbet havas?nda düzenlemi?. Hikaye ya?am?n,insanl???n hikayesi her bölüm,her sayfa çok ?a??rtc?. Çeviriyi ?smet Birkan yapm?? ellerine sa?l?k gerçekten su gibi.

Telos yay?nevide bu kitab? basmakla büyük bir i? yapm?? onlarada ayr?ca te?ekkürler, kitab?n bask?s? 1996, bende de bu bask? var ba?ka bask?lar? var m? onuda bilmiyorum. Kendilerine tek ele?tirim ke?ke daha sa?lam bir ciltleme yap?lsayd?, defalarca okunmaya de?er bu kitap daha ilk okumada parçalanmaya ba?lad?. Ama kitab?n içeri?i her?eyi unutturuyor inan?n.

Harari'nin Sapiens'ini sevdiyseniz bu kitaba bay?laca??n?za eminim, ki bu kitap Sapiens'e ilham olmu? olabilir.

Canard Frère says

Echanges très vivants avec plusieurs scientifiques renommés, tous passionnés et passionnants.

Abdullah Diab says

A very quick and nice read about the origin of the universe and the humanity, I like the way the book is written and organised, in scenes and acts, and as a dialogue between the authors. Another nice thing about this book is that the authors don't hide their opinions regarding God and religions, something you don't usually find in books talking about the origins of the universe, the authors are not afraid of touching the ideas of religion and saying how they believe in what they believe in.

The book was short but it covered many ideas quickly, serves well as a quick reminder for how we think things started.

Pinar says

Bu kitap üç bilim adam?n?n (astrofizikçi, organik kimyac? ve antropolog) dünyanın?n olu?umundan günümüze insanlar?n sorduklar? basit sorulardan, derin felsefi problemlere diyaloglar?n? içeriyor. Dünyan?n olu?um teorilerinden, ilk hücrenin olu?umuna oradan da insana uzan?yor. Ben çok be?endim. Mutlaka okunmal?..

