

*Charles Darwin (1809–1882) was a famous British Scientist. He came up with the theory of "Natural Selection" which aims to explain how life on earth has evolved and changed over time. The very famous book he wrote on this was called "The Origin of Species" published in 1859.*



On the following pages you will find a copy of his census form from April 1881, just a year before his death. The one on page 2 is the original, followed by a copy of it on page 3, which is easier to read. Using the census form answer the following questions:

- 1) Where was Darwin born?
- 2) What was the name of his wife?
- 3) How many children were living with him in 1881?
- 4) What was the name of his house?
- 5) How many servants lived with them?
- 6) Explain who Herman Franks was and what he is likely to be doing there.
- 7) Where did Darwin go to university?
- 8) How old was Darwin in 1881?

A photo of Down House

<http://www.aboutdarwin.com/pictures/House/Pictures.html>

Discover more about Darwin at the following websites:

Darwin Time Line

[http://www.aboutdarwin.com/timeline/time\\_01.html](http://www.aboutdarwin.com/timeline/time_01.html)

Information

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic\\_figures/darwin\\_charles.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic_figures/darwin_charles.shtml)

Search for Charles Darwin in various reference centres for example at

<http://www.britannica.com/>

Or just use a search engine to find out for yourself.

The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the

House or Village or Hamlet of	Rural Sanitary District of	Municipal Ward of	Parish or Township of	HOUSES		RELATION to Head of Family	CON-DITION as to Marriage	AGE last Birthday of	Rank, Profession, or OCCUPATION	WHERE BORN
				City or Municipal Borough of	County or Village or Hamlet of					
ROAD, STREET, &c., and No. or NAME of HOUSE	Use, as to building (U) or (B)	NAME and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	CON-DITION as to Marriage	AGE last Birthday of	Rank, Profession, or OCCUPATION	WHERE BORN			
1. New Hill	1	William Atkins	Head	Mar	34		Down			
		Harriet S. do.	wife	Mar	34		Down			
		Leaves W. do.	Son		12		Down			
2. Bushman Rd.	2	Charles Robert Darwin	Head	Mar	42		Down			
		Emma do.	wife	Mar	32		Down			
		Elizabeth do.	daur.	Mar	33		Down			
		William C. do.	Son	Mar	44		Down			
		Lea do.	daur.	Mar	41		Down			
		George H. do.	Son	Mar	25		Down			
		Edmund do.	Son	Mar	22		Down			
		Edward D. do.	Grandson		4		Down			
		Germaine Brand	Wife	Mar	23		Down			
		Rose A. do.	Daughter	Mar	22		Down			
		Charles Wood	Son	Mar	22		Down			
		James Johnston	Son	Mar	22		Down			
		Frederic Hill	Son	Mar	20		Down			
		Margaret Evans	Son	Mar	19		Down			
		Gustav Seckton	Son	Mar	14		Down			
		Elizabeth Bradley	Son	Mar	26		Down			
		Harriet Irvine	Son	Mar	23		Down			
		Mary Wilkes	Son	Mar	19		Down			
		Frederic Baddeley	Son	Mar	29		Down			
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# Charles Darwin's Census Form

The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the											
Civil Parish [or Township] of <i>Down</i>		City or Municipal Borough of		Municipal Ward of		Parliamentary Borough of		Town or Village or Hamlet of <i>Down</i>		Urban Sanitary District of	Ecclesiastical Parish or District of <i>Down</i>
No. of Schedule	Road, Street, &c, And No or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES		NAME and surname of each Person	RELATION To Head of Family	CON DITION as to Marriage	AGE last Birthday of		Rank, Profession, or OCCUPATION	WHERE BORN	If (1 Deaf-and-Dumb (2 Blind (3 Imbecile or Idiot (4 Lunatic
		In-habited	Uninhabited				Males	Females			
1	<i>West Hill</i>	1		<i>William Atkins</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>Mar</i>	41		<i>Police Constable</i>	<i>Lydd; Kent</i>	
				<i>Harriet L do</i>	<i>Wife</i>	<i>Mar</i>		39		<i>Rye; Sussex</i>	
				<i>Lewis W. do</i>	<i>Son</i>		12			<i>Lydd; Kent</i>	
2	<i>Cudham Rd</i>	2		<i>Charles Robert Darwin</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>Mar</i>	72		<i>M.A.L.L.D.(Cambs) FJK JP</i>	<i>Shropshire; Shrewsbury</i>	
	<i>Downe House</i>	1		<i>Emma do</i>	<i>Wife</i>	<i>Mar</i>		72		<i>Maer; Staffordshire</i>	
	<i>Cudham Rd</i>			<i>Elizabeth do</i>	<i>Daugh</i>	<i>Unmar</i>		33		<i>Down; Kent</i>	
	"			<i>William E do</i>	<i>Son</i>	<i>Mar</i>	41		<i>Banker B.A.(Cantab)</i>	<i>St. Pancas; Middlesex</i>	
	"			<i>Lisa do</i>	<i>Daugh</i>	<i>Mar</i>		41		<i>United States</i>	
	"			<i>George H do</i>	<i>Son</i>	<i>Unmar</i>	36		<i>M.A.(Camb) F.R.L. Barrister</i>	<i>Down; Kent</i>	
	"			<i>Francis do</i>	<i>Son</i>	<i>Widower</i>	32		<i>M.A. M.B. (Camb)</i>	<i>Do do</i>	
	"			<i>Bernard R Nuds</i>	<i>Grandson</i>		4			<i>Do do</i>	
	"			<i>Herman Franks</i>	<i>Visitor</i>	<i>Mar</i>	33		<i>Music Director &amp; Violinist</i>	<i>Saxony; Germany</i>	
	"			<i>Rose G do</i>	<i>Niece</i>	<i>Mar</i>		34		<i>Elawice; Staffordshire</i>	
	"			<i>Charles Wood Fox</i>	<i>Cousin</i>	<i>Unmar</i>	33		<i>Barrister</i>	<i>Hampstead; Middlesex</i>	
	"			<i>James Johnston</i>	<i>Serv</i>	<i>Unmar</i>	23		<i>Footman Domestic Serv</i>	<i>Marylebone; do</i>	
	"			<i>Frederic Hill</i>	<i>Serv</i>	<i>Unmar</i>	20		<i>Groom</i>	<i>Bromley; Kent</i>	
	"			<i>Margaret Evans</i>	<i>Serv</i>	<i>Unmar</i>		49	<i>Cook</i>	<i>Edgebolton; Shropshire</i>	
	"			<i>Agusta Dickson</i>	<i>Serv</i>	<i>Mar</i>		44	<i>Ladies Maid</i>	<i>Hamburg; Germany</i>	
	"			<i>Elizabeth Bradford</i>	<i>Serv</i>	<i>Unmar</i>		26	<i>Housemaid</i>	<i>Bullbeck; Cambridge</i>	
	"			<i>Harriet Coisse</i>	<i>Serv</i>	<i>Unmar</i>		23	<i>Housemaid</i>	<i>Offham; Kent</i>	
	"			<i>Mary Wilkinson</i>	<i>Serv</i>	<i>Unmar</i>		19	<i>Kitchenmaid</i>	<i>Sundrigger; Kent</i>	
	"			<i>Pauline Badel</i>	<i>Serv</i>	<i>Unmar</i>		29	<i>Nurse</i>	<i>Switzerland</i>	
	"			<i>Harriet Wells</i>	<i>Visitor</i>	<i>Unmar</i>		24	<i>Ladies Maid</i>	<i>Portsmouth; Hants</i>	
	"			<i>Leonard Darwin</i>	<i>Son</i>	<i>Unmar</i>	31		<i>Lieutenant and Royal Engineer</i>	<i>Down; Kent</i>	
Total of Houses		4		<i>Total of Males and Females</i>			12	12			