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Spelling Vocabulary H19

ANSWER KEY

Suffixes: -ology, -ocracy, -archy, -phobia · Science: Genetics and Evolution

Read each definition. Write the spelling word that matches it.

1. **variation** differences
2. **claustrophobia** fear of small spaces
3. **monarchy** rule by a king or queen
4. **theocracy** rule by religious leaders
5. **mutation** a change in a gene
6. **fossil** remains of an ancient living thing in rock
7. **agoraphobia** fear of open spaces
8. **selection** choosing; natural ___
9. **heredity** passing traits from parents to young
10. **xenophobia** fear of foreigners
11. **adaptation** a trait that helps survival
12. **democracy** government by the people
13. **oligarchy** rule by a few
14. **evolution** change in species over time
15. **technology** tools made with science
16. **species** a group of living things of one kind
17. **autocracy** rule by one person
18. **archaeology** the study of past cultures through objects
19. **anarchy** no government
20. **psychology** the study of the mind

WORD BANK

autocracy	adaptation	mutation	monarchy
democracy	archaeology	agoraphobia	technology
anarchy	oligarchy	claustrophobia	heredity
variation	theocracy	species	xenophobia
psychology	evolution	selection	fossil