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*Revamped edition examines the media, polls, new legal challenges, intelligent design in the courts, and more.*

The evolution wars are over, right? Scopes was finally vindicated, creationism was booted out of the classroom, and a new president in his inaugural speech issued a clarion call to "restore science to its rightful place."

Wrong. Evolution education is being battered every day in school districts across the U.S. by creationists, whether they're pushing young-earth creationism, intelligent design, or antievolutionism in the guise of "academic freedom."

What's going on here? Why is the United States the only country where teaching evolution is so controversial? Why are scientists so sure that evolution is good science? Are people of faith truly unable to accept the central principle of modern biology? Is it really "fair" for creationism to be taught alongside evolution? What have the courts said? And will attacks on evolution ultimately undermine not only American education but American competitiveness?

These and many other questions are answered in the 2nd edition of *Evolution vs. Creationism*, Dr. Eugenie Scott's lucid and comprehensive look at this ongoing debate. Dr. Scott, one of the leading promoters and defenders of teaching evolution in the schools, dissects these ever-changing efforts to undermine science education. Praised for its balance and comprehensiveness, the book places the issues in today's headlines into historical, cultural, religious, educational, and scientific perspective as no other

book does.

Updated, revamped, and expanded, the 2nd edition adds another 70 pages of brand new and revised material, including:

- A new foreword by U.S. District Judge John E. Jones III, who ruled in the landmark *Kitzmiller v. Dover* case.
- A new chapter on testing intelligent design and evidence against evolution in the courts.
- A new chapter on evolution and creationism in the media and public opinion.
- An up-to-date analysis of the most recent creationist challenges across the country.

The second edition also expands and updates the collection of primary source documents that address cosmology, law, education, popular culture, and religious issues from all sides of the debate, and details new resources for further information. *Evolution vs. Creationism* is the perfect resource for teachers, professors, libraries, and anybody who wants to learn about the perennial creationism/evolution controversy.

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### **Praise for *Evolution vs. Creationism*, 2nd edition**

"The original version of this book was excellent, but this updated version is essential. If you are a school administrator, teacher, or parent with a child in a public school you need this book as a basic reference."  
—Dr. Greg Laden, independent scholar and associate adviser, Program for Individualized Learning, University of Minnesota

### **Praise for *Evolution vs. Creationism*, 1st edition**

"Scott...is really doing God's work as she patiently rebuts people who make most other scientists spit gaskets like short-circuiting robots. [The book's] main virtue is to explain the scientific method, which many invoke but few describe vividly...[and] lay out the astronomical, chemical, geological and biological bases of evolutionary theory in unusually plain English. Anyone who wants to defend evolution at his next church picnic should arm himself with this book.

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"A valuable contribution to the literature in evolution and creationism. It will surely raise the dander of some and bring delight to others a quality possessed by many a good book."

—*Perspectives on Science and Christian Faith*

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"She has conscientiously tried to be objective in discussing this inflammatory subject. The book is well written and creationists can read it with interest and appreciation, even though its arguments for evolution are — to us, at least — speculative and even defensive."

—Henry M. Morris, in the Institute for Creation Research's *Back to Genesis*

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