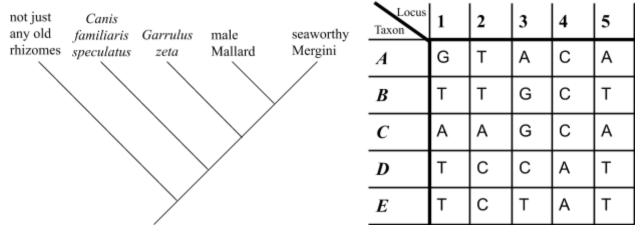
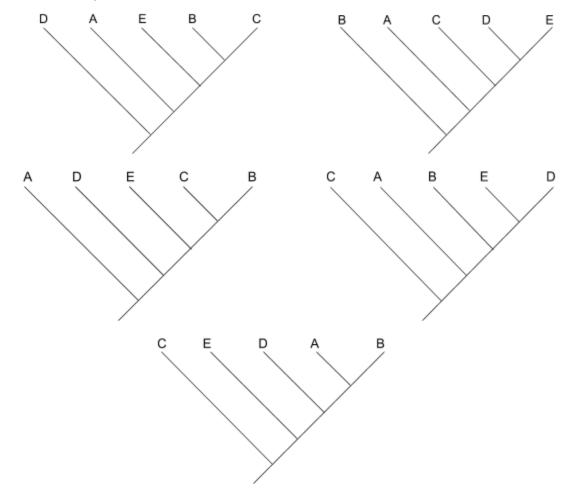
The Evolution of Hip-Hop

What's the common ancestor of Pitbull and Megan Thee Stallion? Are Beastie Boys a monophyletic group?

Here is an interesting phylogeny of hip-hop artists. Uh-oh! I've forgotten which taxon corresponds to which letter in the genetic data table!



Hmm... What do I remember? The correct tree is one of these five, and it's the most parsimonious (i.e., the one requiring the fewest independent evolution/loss events).



Impact of Alleles for Decryption

Locus Allele	1	2	3	4	5
А	M→O	Q→F	Y→M	M→A	V→N
С	E→D	Ј→Н	W→S	J→A	A→O
Т	F→T	P→S	V→E	$F \rightarrow R$ and $P \rightarrow A$	$Y \rightarrow R$ and $Q \rightarrow L$
G	R→E	U→Z	В→Е	V→U	S→I

So many phrases for the same thing...

Tariq, Ahmir, et al: "QRJVK MCBJV SMVG"

Shawn: "JNFBYIOY MBDUQQJ PFYUCFUYBP"

Calvin: "UVPUPTJIVJBLR PCHRYRP"

Kendrick: "CJOQUQM MND GIZM WFYUCFUYEW"

Aubrey: "FVFYMJVDYONS"