# What does it mean to be human?

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Humans vs Primates:

## Humans are strictly bipedal whereas primates walk primarily on all fours.





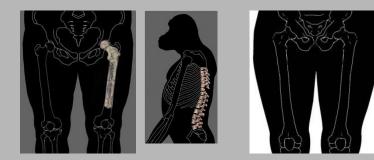
### Bipedalism

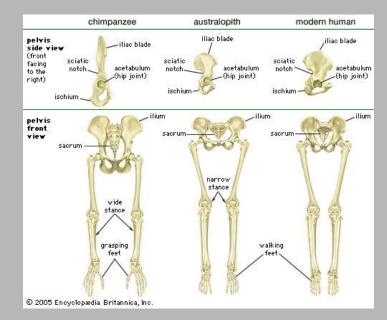
How it works

Beginning 6mil years ago, hominids developed a bone structure that better supported their weight and allowed for greater mobility.

What this means

- Ability to adapt to different environments
- Less energy exertion
- More intimidating appearance
- Hands are free to do other things



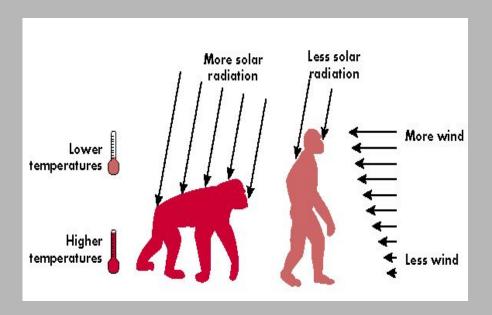


#### Adaptability

-Can find food if there is scarcity in their normal supply.

-Survive climate changes.





#### Intimidation

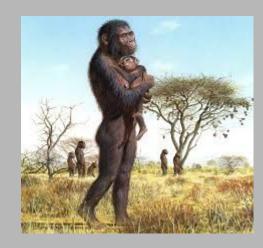
Standing upright made humans look bigger and more dominant, thus scaring away any potential threats.





#### Hands

By only needing two appendages to walk, the other two were used to carry food from farther locations, transport babies with ease, and use tools.



#### Use of tools

-Harness resources such as fire, stones, plants







#### As a society

Tools, fire, cooked food, the ability to adapt, appearing more dominant have all rendered humans more advanced than other species, and we can infer that all of these behavioral and procedural changes have been due to one thing, bipedalism.

