The Teacher for Learning
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The Diseases that changed humanity forever

Why did diseases evolve in human populations?

- Hunter gather communities & rates of pandemics
- Soil and water man carriers
- Agriculture changed disease
- advent of Malaria and gastro-intestinal

- we are plagued by consistent disease
- More deadly than anything else
- our technology has greatly impacted
- soil and water likely to cause disease amongst humans. know this from archaeology record
- researchers found in hunter gatherer eras, most common disease was Tuberculosis and Treponemal infections
  - ⟶ no evidence of large scale epidemics
- agriculture changed this. Farmers knew little about water and waste practices, and so we see rise of diarrea diseases like dysentary
- irrigation creates stagnant water which caused rise in Malaria

The progression and evolution of disease is correlated with changes to human community structure.

- Urbanization not big change
  - urbanization also caused significant challenges and caused rise of new challenges including measles and small pox
    - ↳ disease and ↑ birth rate creates more hosts
- Class emerges as major health indicator
  - could not evolve fast enough (science) to combat these illnesses
  - worst pandemic in history was black death or bubonic plague reduced global population significantly
- How did industrialization change disease?
  - only crossed atlantic during colonization
  - not equally distributed across the population ⟶ class now plays a role
  - Class very apparent in Tuberculosis case. During industrialization compact of city made huge difference

- Class most significant in terms of access
- Vaccines most significant to combat disease
- Science should be more accessible

- Vaccines. improvement in nutrition and hygeine made significant difference to public health
- people then lived longer
- can now address disease in record time. Still major class challenges around access
- Malaria. Tubriculous and others still a problem
- we now need to make science accessible