

Unit 5: Fate and Genetic Determinism

Resource Materials

These are resources that apply to this lesson and would be beneficial for teachers (or students):

- Can be used as follow-up material
- Can be used to supplement as info is taught
- Can be used as background info for teachers, to equip and/or prepare the teacher for content that is being taught

Islamic Perspective: By Mawlana Saaleh Baseer of Darul Qasim

[Destiny and Predestination in Islam - Mawlana Saaleh Baseer](#)

Philosophical View: Crash Course Philosophy

2 part explanation -

1. [Determinism vs Free Will: Crash Course Philosophy #24](#)
2. [Compatibilism: Crash Course Philosophy #25](#)

Scientific View: Big Think

[The great free will debate | Bill Nye, Michio Kaku, Robert Sapolsky, Steven Pinker & more](#)

- Robert Sapolsky - Harvard scholar - Determinist, says that free will is a myth; we are biological creatures, and all of our “choices” actually depend on our biological forces.
[Why You Don't Have Free Will: Your Breakfast Food, Biology, and Culture | Robert Sapolsky](#)
- Bill Nye - the Science Guy - Confused about the topic, says a little bit if both determinism due to conditions but still have a level of choice.
[Hey Bill Nye, Do You Believe In Free Will? | Big Think](#)
- Michio Kaku - Physicist - says there is uncertainty in regards to the position of electrons. In terms of free will, he feels that we do have some kind of free will.
[Michio Kaku: Why Physics Ends the Free Will Debate | Big Think](#)

Neuroscience and Free will Resources:

[Free Will and Neuroscience: From Explaining Freedom Away to New Ways of Operationalizing and Measuring It - PMC](#)