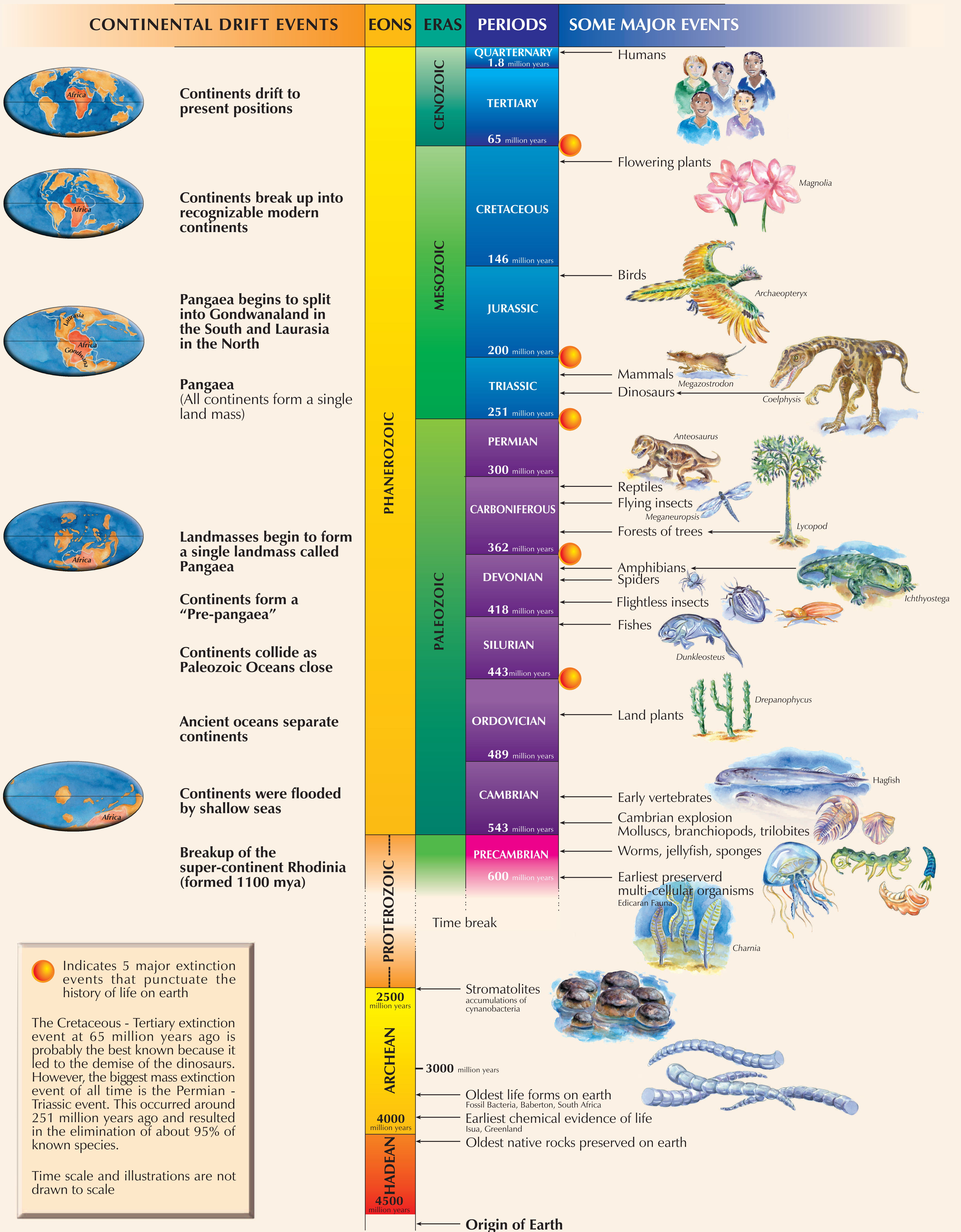




THE HISTORY OF LIFE ON EARTH



Indicates 5 major extinction events that punctuate the history of life on earth

The Cretaceous - Tertiary extinction event at 65 million years ago is probably the best known because it led to the demise of the dinosaurs. However, the biggest mass extinction event of all time is the Permian - Triassic event. This occurred around 251 million years ago and resulted in the elimination of about 95% of known species.

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