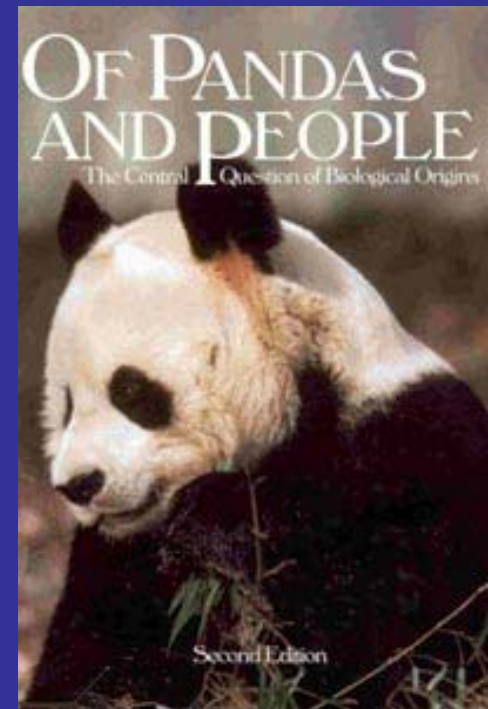


For the design proponent, there is another explanation of the origin of analogous features in unrelated groups. The design proponent assumes that the similarity of features can be accounted for on the basis of *design requirements*. In other words, the skulls of marsupial wolves and of placental wolves are similar because one particular skull design best suited the requirements of both organisms. The pandas share many characteristics in common for the same reason. We call this idea *teleology*: an organism is designed for certain functions or purposes. Evolutionists avoid this con-



(*Pandas*, p. 122)