

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Caution: Fuzzy Words Ahead



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calls "fuzzy words." These are words that evolutionists typically use when they have no observable evidence to support their claims. With that as a backdrop, we will now train you to spot fuzzy words and phrases. In a recent issue of *Science News* magazine, for example, we find the first fuzzy words in the article's title: "Bubbles may have sheltered early life." Did you spot it? Yes, it's the phrase "may have."

In the second paragraph, we read: "Such a snug hideout could have shielded microbes from ultraviolet radiation." Right – the words "could have". In the next paragraph, a geologist is quoted as saying that the work is "very plausible" – another way of getting you to accept the scientist's wishful thinking. In the remaining paragraphs, we find two more "could haves", a "may have", a "perhaps", a "might have" and two instances of "appeared to be".

The writer then concludes with these words: "If microbes survived in these pockets on early Earth, they could potentially have done so on other planets such as Mars." I hope that the words "if" and "potentially" set off the critical thinking alarm bells in your brain. I'm so glad that the Bible avoids fuzzy words and phrases, aren't you? The Bible doesn't try to trick or deceive us. Its words are true because its Author is Truth and His words endure forever.

Ref: M. Rosen, "Bubbles may have sheltered early life," *Science News*, 2/6/16, p. 12. http://www.creationtraining.org/critical-thinking-examining-their-words/ Mike Riddle, "Critical Thinking: Examining Their Words," 12/31/15, Creation Training Initiative.

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