



Every organism has 2 alleles for each trait: one from mom and one from dad.

**Dominant** Alleles

- use a capital letter to represent them Recessive Alleles

 use a lower case letter to represent them Example: Brown is dominant = B Blue is recessive = b

\*\*\*Dominant trait is expressed unless both alleles are recessive\*\*\*

### Genotype vs. Phenotype

#### Genotype

- genetic makeup for a specific set of genes
- represented by 2 letters: BB, Bb, bb

#### Phenotype

- physical characteristics or traits
- what it looks like: Brown or blue eyes

Example: Bb (genotype) carries one allele for brown and one for blue eyes, however they will have brown eyes (phenotype)







A) BB

B) Bb

C) bb

Which is an example of a phenotype?

- ) Bb
- B) Brown hair













- Identify the genotype of each parent
- Fill in the Punnett Square
- Write the phenotype ratio
- Write the genotype ratio

Example: suppose you cross a plant that is heterozygous for purple flower with a plant that is homozygous recessive for white flowers

Step 1: identify the dominant and recessive traits Purple is dominant (P) White is recessive (p)

Step 2: identify the phenotype of each parent **Purple flower X white flower** 

Step 3: identify the genotype of each parent **Pp X pp** 



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### Law of Independent Assortment

- allele pairs separate independently of each other during meiosis (gamete formation)
- More likely to be separated:
  - \* if on different chromosomes
  - \* the further apart on a chromosome

### Law of Dominance

- Traits have two alleles (one from the female and one from the male)
- Some alleles are dominant (A) and some are recessive (a)

Genetics C3 Dihybrid Crosses

# Mendel's Experiments

Conducted experiments that examined the inheritance of 2 different traits:

Ex: flower color and pea shape Wondered if traits would be passed on together or separately Using purebred plants, he conducted many experiments using a variety of trait combinations

> Ex: flower color and pea shape pea shape and pod color

# Mendel's Results

The F1 generation of crossing 2 purebred plants would result in heterozygous plants:

The plants all expressed the dominant gene but carried the gene for the recessive trait (how did he know that?)

When Mendel crossed the F1 generation which was heterozygous for both traits, he discovered that the F2 generation expressed all combinations of the 2 traits



## Mendel's Conclusion

Law of Independent Assortment

- Allele pairs, one from mom and one from dad, separate independently of each other during meiosis.

### Dihybrid Crosses are used to show how alleles independently sort

Real Process (steps) are just like monohybrid crosses (single trait) with one extra step

#### Process for doing dihybrid problems

Step 1: Identify dominant and recessive traits
Step 2: Identify the phenotypes of each parent
Step 3: Identify the genotypes of each parent
Step 4: Determine possible allele
combinations using FOIL method
Step 5: Complete Punnett Square
Step 6: Write out phenotypes and ratios
Step 7: Write out genotypes and ratios



