Genes and Chromosomes (Teacher Master)

Mendel's Ideas about Genes

Idea: Individuals have two copies of a gene for each trait. Different forms of the same gene are called alleles. Genes control how their traits will appear.

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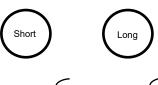
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Idea: These two alleles separate when eggs and sperm are made. Each parent passes just one copy of a gene (or allele) to each offspring.

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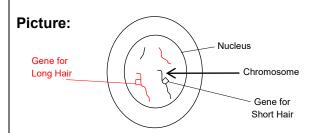


Idea: Each offspring gets one allele from the father, and one allele from the mother.

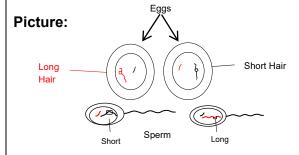
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Sutton's Ideas about Chromosomes

Idea: Individuals have two copies of each chromosome. Genes that control traits are found on chromosomes.



Idea: Chromosomes (and the genes on them) separate when eggs and sperm are made. Each parent passes one copy of each chromosome to each offspring.



Idea: Each offspring gets one copy of a chromosome and its genes from the father and one copy from the mother.

Picture: Short Short Long

*Note: Only one of the four examples from Mendel is shown here. Others would follow the same logic.