

## The Origin's Of Genetics (p. 162 – 169)

### I. Mendel's Studies Of Characters

#### 1. Define the term heredity.

Heredity – passing of characters from parents to offspring

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1900  
Rediscovery of work (50 years after death)

2. Who was Gregor Mendel? Austrian monk who studied 7 traits of pea plants (Counted and analyzed meticulously)

3. What type of plant did he extensively study? pea plants (*Pisum sativum*)

#### 4. Define the term genetics.

Genetics – branch of Biology that focuses on heredity

#### 5. List three reasons why pea plants were useful for Mendel to study.

- Purple vs. white → 1. Several characteristics have only two forms.
- Self-fertilize, Cross-pollinate → 2. Male + Female parts within same flower
- p. 163 Traits 3. Small, grows easily, matures quickly, many offspring

### II. Traits Expressed As Simple Ratios

#### 1. Define the term monohybrid cross.

Monohybrid Cross – cross that involves one pair of contrasting traits

#### 2. Describe each step of Mendel's monohybrid crosses.

Ex. TT = tall  
tt = short

P Generation : True-breeding plants created as a result of self-pollination

F<sub>1</sub> Generation : Cross-pollination of two P-generation plants (Recorded # of F<sub>1</sub> plants)

F<sub>2</sub> Generation : Self-pollination of F<sub>1</sub>-Generation plants (Recorded # of F<sub>2</sub> plants)

#### 3. What was the significance of Mendel's observations?

F<sub>2</sub> plants produced a plant different than F<sub>1</sub> plants

### III. A Theory Of Heredity

1. Offspring are ~~not~~ the result of traits blending.

Circle One :

True

False

2. Describe Mendel's four hypotheses of heredity.

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1. For a character, two copies of the gene (each parent)
2. Alternate versions of genes (alleles)
3. Principle of dominance
4. Alleles separate independently (Law of Segregation)

3. Match the genetics terms with the correct definitions.

Freckles

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Letter representation  
of a gene



(Gene)

(Physical)

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| 1. <u>C.</u> | Alleles      | A. Non-expressed form of a character $tt = \text{short}$ |
| 2. <u>F.</u> | Dominant     | B. Alleles of gene that are different (Ff)               |
| 3. <u>A.</u> | Recessive    | C. Different forms of a gene ( $TT, Tt, tt$ )            |
| 4. <u>G.</u> | Homozygous   | D. Physical appearance of a character                    |
| 5. <u>B.</u> | Heterozygous | E. Set of alleles that an individual has for a character |
| 6. <u>E.</u> | Genotype     | F. Expressed form of a character $TT, Tt = \text{tall}$  |
| 7. <u>D.</u> | Phenotype    | G. Two alleles of a gene that are similar (FF or ff)     |

4. An organism with a recessive allele for a trait will always exhibit that form.

Circle One :

True

False

$Tt = \text{tall}$

when  
Only dominant  
is not present  
 $t = \text{short}$

### IV. The Laws Of Heredity

1. State the Law Of Segregation.

- Two alleles for a character separate when gametes are formed.

2. State the Law Of Independent Assortment.

- Alleles of different genes separate independently of one another during gamete formation

3. Define the term Punnett square. (p. 170)

Punnett Square - diagram that predicts the outcome of a genetic cross

P<sub>1</sub>  $TT \times tt$   
(tall) ↓ (short)

F<sub>1</sub> all  $Tt$   
(tall)

F<sub>2</sub>  $\frac{1}{4} TT$  (tall)  
 $\frac{1}{2} Tt$  (tall)

$\frac{1}{4} tt$  (short)