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Part 1: Building a Foundation

What is the basic unit of heredity?

Hint: Think about the smallest functional unit in genetics.

- A) Chromosome
- B) Gene
- C) Alleles
- D) Nucleotide

Which of the following are types of mutations? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider the different ways DNA can change.

- A) Point Mutation
- B) Frameshift Mutation
- C) Gene Duplication
- D) Chromosomal Translocation

Define the term "phenotype" and provide an example.

Hint: Think about observable traits.

List two differences between DNA and RNA.

Hint: Consider structure and function.

1. Difference 1

2. Difference 2

Part 2: Understanding and Interpretation

Which statement best describes a homozygous genotype?

Hint: Think about allele combinations.

- A) It has two different alleles for a trait.
- B) It has two identical alleles for a trait.
- C) It has one dominant and one recessive allele.
- D) It has no alleles for a trait.

Which processes are involved in genetic variation? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider mechanisms that contribute to diversity.

- A) Independent Assortment
- B) Crossing Over
- C) DNA Replication
- D) Natural Selection

Explain the significance of the Law of Segregation in genetics.

Hint: Think about how alleles are distributed during gamete formation.

Part 3: Application and Analysis

In a monohybrid cross between two heterozygous individuals ($Aa \times Aa$), what is the probability of obtaining a homozygous recessive offspring?

Hint: Use a Punnett square to visualize the cross.

- A) 0%
- B) 25%
- C) 50%
- D) 75%

Which techniques can be used to analyze DNA fragments? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider methods used in molecular biology.

- A) Gel Electrophoresis
- B) PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction)
- C) CRISPR
- D) Cloning

Describe how a Punnett Square is used to predict the outcome of a genetic cross.

Hint: Think about how it visualizes allele combinations.

Part 4: Evaluation and Creation

What can be inferred about a trait if it appears in every generation of a pedigree chart?

Hint: Consider the inheritance pattern of the trait.

- A) It is likely autosomal recessive.
- B) It is likely autosomal dominant.

- C) It is likely sex-linked recessiv.
- D) It is likely sex-linked dominant.

Analyze the following scenario: A child has a genetic disorder that neither parent shows symptoms of. What could be the possible genetic explanations? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider inheritance patterns that could lead to this situation.

- A) The disorder is autosomal recessiv.
- B) The disorder is autosomal dominant.
- C) The disorder is sex-linked recessiv.
- D) The disorder is a result of a new mutation.

Evaluate the impact of genetic engineering on agriculture. Provide examples to support your analysis.

Hint: Think about both positive and negative effects.

Which of the following is a potential ethical concern related to genetic engineering?

Hint: Consider the broader implications of modifying organisms.

- A) Increased crop yield
- B) Biodiversity loss
- C) Improved disease resistance
- D) Enhanced nutritional content

When considering the use of CRISPR technology, what factors should be evaluated? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Think about the implications of gene editing.

- A) Ethical implications
- B) Potential off-target effects
- C) Cost of implementation
- D) Long-term ecological impact

Propose a research study that investigates the effects of a specific genetic mutation on human health. Outline the study's objectives, methods, and potential implications.

Hint: Consider the design of a scientific study.