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Part 1: Building a Foundation

What is a Punnett Square used for?

Hint: Think about its purpose in genetics.

- A) Calculating genetic probabilities
- B) Measuring plant growth
- C) Recording experimental data
- D) Analyzing chemical reactions

Which of the following are terms related to genetics? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider the vocabulary used in genetics.

- A) Alleles
- B) Photosynthesis
- C) Genotype
- D) Homozygous

Explain the difference between a genotype and a phenotype.

Hint: Consider how each term relates to observable traits.

List the two types of alleles and provide an example of each.

Hint: Think about dominant and recessives.

1. Type of allele 1 and example

2. Type of allele 2 and example

Who is credited with devisING the Punnett Square?

Hint: Consider the historical figures in genetics.

- A) Gregor Mendel
- B) Reginal Punnett
- C) Charles Darwin
- D) James Watson

Part 2: Application and Analysis

If a homozygous dominant plant (AA) is crossed with a homozygous recessiv plant (aa), what will be the genotype of the offspring?

Hint: Consider the combinations of alleles.

- A) AA
- B) Aa
- C) aa
- D) Aa and aa

Consider a dihybrid cross between two heterozygous parents (AaBb x AaBb). Which of the following genotypes are possible in the offspring? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Think about the combinations of alleles from both parents.

- A) AABB
- B) AaBb
- C) aabb
- D) Aabb

Using a Punnett Square, predict the phenotypic ratio of offspring from a cross between two heterozygous pea plants (Yy x Yy) for yellow (Y) and green (y) seed color.

Hint: Consider the dominant and recessiv traits.

In a dihybrid cross, what does the 9:3:3:1 ratio represent?

Hint: Think about the outcomes of the cross.

- A) The genotypic ratio of offspring
- B) The phenotypic ratio of offspring
- C) The probability of dominant traits
- D) The ratio of homozygous to heterozygous genotypes

Which of the following factors can affect the outcome of a Punnett Square prediction? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider external influences on genetic outcomes.

- A) Environmental influences
- B) Mutation in alleles
- C) Incorrect setup of the Punnett Square
- D) The law of independent assortment

Analyze how a mutation in one of the alleles could affect the results predicted by a Punnett Square.

Hint: Consider the implications of genetic mutations.

Part 3: Evaluation and Creation

Which scenario would most likely lead to a deviation from expected Punnett Square results?

Hint: Think about genetic principles.

- A) Random mating
- B) Linked genes
- C) Large population size
- D) Independent assortment

Evaluate the following statements and select those that are true regarding the limitations of Punnett Squares. (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider the assumptions made by Punnett Squares.

- A) They assume no environmental influence on gene expression.
- B) They can predict exact offspring numbers.
- C) They do not account for genetic linkage.
- D) They assume alleles segregate independently.

Design a hypothetical scenario where a Punnett Square could be used to predict the inheritance of a genetic disorder. Describe the genotypes of the parents and the potential outcomes for the offspring.

Hint: Think about a specific genetic disorder.