

Simple Genetics Practice Problems

1. For each genotype, indicate whether it is heterozygous (HE) or homozygous (HO)

AA _____	Ee _____	li _____	Mm _____
Bb _____	ff _____	Jj _____	nn _____
Cc _____	GG _____	kk _____	OO _____
Dd _____	HH _____	Ll _____	Pp _____

2. For each of the genotypes below, determine the phenotype.

<i>Purple flowers are dominant to white flowers</i>	<i>Brown eyes are dominant to blue eyes</i>
PP _____	BB _____
Pp _____	Bb _____
pp _____	bb _____

<i>Round seeds are dominant to wrinkled</i>	<i>Bobtails are recessive (long tails dominant)</i>
RR _____	TT _____
Rr _____	Tt _____
rr _____	tt _____

3. For each phenotype, list the genotypes. (Remember to use the letter of the dominant trait)

<i>Straight hair is dominant to curly.</i>	<i>Pointed heads are dominant to round heads.</i>
_____ straight	_____ pointed
_____ straight	_____ pointed
_____ curly	_____ round

4. Set up the square for each of the crosses listed below. The trait being studied is round seeds (dominant) and wrinkled seeds (recessive)

Rr x rr

What percentage of the offspring will be round?

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RR x Rr

What percentage of the offspring will be round?

Practice with Crosses. Show all work!

5. A TT (tall) plant is crossed with a tt (short plant).
What percentage of the offspring will be tall? _____

6. A Tt plant is crossed with a Tt plant. What percentage
of the offspring will be short? _____

7. A heterozygous round seeded plant (Rr) is crossed with a
homozygous round seeded plant (RR). What percentage of
the offspring will be homozygous (RR)? _____

8. A homozygous round seeded plant is crossed with a homozygous
wrinkled seeded plant. What are the genotypes of the parents?
_____ x _____

What percentage of the offspring will also be homozygous? _____

9. In pea plants purple flowers are dominant to white flowers.
If two white flowered plants are cross, what percentage of their
offspring will be white flowered? _____

10. A white flowered plant is crossed with a plant that is
heterozygous for the trait. What percentage of the
offspring will have purple flowers? _____

11. Two plants, both heterozygous for the gene that controls
flower color are crossed. What percentage of their offspring

will have purple flowers? _____
What percentage will have white flowers? _____

12. In guinea pigs, the allele for short hair is dominant.
What genotype would a heterozygous short haired guinea pig have? _____
What genotype would a purebreeding short haired guinea pig have? _____
What genotype would a long haired guinea pig have? _____

13. Show the cross for a pure breeding short haired guinea pig
and a long haired guinea pig.
What percentage of the offspring will have short hair? _____

14. Show the cross for two heterozygous guinea pigs.
What percentage of the offspring will have short hair? _____
What percentage of the offspring will have long hair? _____

15. Two short haired guinea pigs are mated several times. Out of 100
offspring, 25 of them have long hair. What are the probable
genotypes of the parents? _____ x _____ Show the cross to prove it!

Genetic Crosses that Involve 2 Traits -- Biology 2

In rabbits, grey hair is dominant to white hair.
Also in rabbits, black eyes are dominant to red eyes.
These letters represent the genotypes of the rabbits:

GG = gray hair	BB = black eyes
Gg = gray hair	Bb = black eyes
gg = white hair	bb = red eyes

1. What are the phenotypes (descriptions) of rabbits that have the following genotypes:

Ggbb _____ ggBB _____

ggbb _____ GgBb _____

2. A male rabbit with the genotype GGbb is crossed with a female rabbit with the genotype ggBb
The square is set up below. Fill it out and determine the phenotypes and proportions in the
offspring.

	Gb	Gb	Gb	Gb
gB				
gB				
gb				
gb				

How many out of 16 have grey fur and black eyes? _____

How many out of 16 have grey fur and red eyes? _____

How many out of 16 have white fur and black eyes? _____

How many out of 16 have white fur and red eyes? _____

3. A male rabbit with the genotype GgBb is crossed with a female rabbit with the genotype GgBb. The square is set up below. Fill it out and determine the phenotypes and proportions in the offspring.

	GB	Gb	gB	gb
GB				
Gb				
gB				
gb				

How many out of 16 have grey fur and black eyes? _____

How many out of 16 have grey fur and red eyes? _____

How many out of 16 have white fur and black eyes? _____

How many out of 16 have white fur and red eyes? _____

4. Show the cross between a ggBb and a GGBb. You'll have to set the square up yourself!