

Patterns of Inheritance Worksheet

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Grade: 8th

CONCEPT: GENOTYPE VS. PHENOTYPE

Dominant vs Recessive Alleles

- _____ (different *versions* of a specific gene) can be *dominant* or *recessive*.
 - ☐ _____ **Allele**: exerts its effects whenever present (symbol = _____ letter).
 - ☐ _____ **Allele**: has _____ effect if a *dominant allele* is present (symbol = _____-case letter).
 - ☐ The allele for _____ peas is *dominant* to the allele for _____ peas (the *recessive allele*).

EXAMPLE: Dominant vs. Recessive alleles.

DOMINANT	Recessive
 Yellow	 Green
Dominant allele _____ the effect of the recessive allele when present.	




PRACTICE: An allele that exerts its effects whenever it is present is:

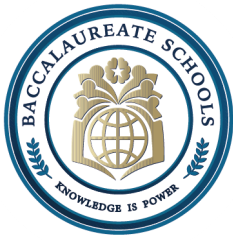
- a) Recessive. b) Heterozygous. c) Dominant. d) Homozygous. e) Homologous.

Genotype & Phenotype

- **Genotype:** the genetic _____ of *alleles* in an individual (written as a *pair of letters*).
 - ☐ **Homozygous:** 2 _____ alleles for the same gene (① YY or ② yy).
 - ☐ **Heterozygous:** 2 _____ alleles for the same gene (③ Yy).
- **Phenotype:** the _____ expressed trait that results from the genotype (ex. yellow/green peas).

EXAMPLE: Genotype vs. Phenotype of Pea Plants.

Genotype		Phenotype
① _____zygous _____ominant	YY	 Yellow
② _____zygous _____ecessive	yy	 Green
③ _____zygous	Yy	 Yellow



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PRACTICE: If the two alleles for a particular gene are identical the gene pair is:

- a) Homozygous.
- b) Heterozygous.
- c) Recessive.
- d) Homologous.
- e) Dominant.
- f) Dissimilar.

PRACTICE: If an individual is homozygous for a particular trait:

- a) Each parent contributed a different allele for that trait.
- b) One parent contributed two different alleles for that trait.
- c) Each parent contributed the same allele for that trait.
- d) One parent contributed two copies of the same allele for that trait.