

# Punnett Squares Worksheet

## Part A: Vocabulary

Match the definitions on the left with the terms on the right.

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| _____ 1. genotypes made of the same alleles                  | A. alleles      |
| _____ 2. different forms of genes for a single trait         | B. dominant     |
| _____ 3. gene that is always expressed                       | C. heterozygous |
| _____ 4. gene that is expressed only in the homozygous state | D. homozygous   |
| _____ 5. genotypes made of two different alleles             | E. recessive    |

## Part B: Short Answer

Read each question carefully and answer each on the lines provided.

6. What do the letters on the outside of the Punnett square stand for? \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. What do the letters on the inside of the Punnett square stand for? \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Part C: Punnett Squares

Read each scenario carefully and use punnett squares to solve the problems.

6. Black is the dominant fur color for rabbits and white is the recessive. B stands for the black allele and b represents the white allele. A white rabbit would have a genotype of bb and a black rabbit could have a genotype of BB or Bb.

	B	B
B		
B		

Probability of :  
 Black Fur \_\_\_\_\_ %  
 White Fur \_\_\_\_\_ %

	B	b
B		
b		

Probability of:  
 Black Fur: \_\_\_\_\_ %  
 White Fur: \_\_\_\_\_ %

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Period: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Curly hair is recessive, and straight hair is dominant. A woman with curly hair marries a man who is homozygous dominant for straight hair. Predict the outcomes for their children.


- a) Mother's Phenotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
b) Mother's Genotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
c) Father's Phenotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
d) Father's Genotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
e) Probability of Offspring with:  
    Curly Hair \_\_\_\_\_ %  
    Straight Hair \_\_\_\_\_ %

8. Black hair is homozygous dominant. Brown hair is heterozygous. Blonde hair is homozygous recessive. (This is an example of incomplete dominance.) A woman with brown hair marries a man with brown hair. What are the possible outcomes for their kids?


- a) Mother's Phenotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
b) Mother's Genotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
c) Father's Phenotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
d) Father's Genotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
e) Probability of Offspring with:  
    Black Hair \_\_\_\_\_ %  
    Brown Hair \_\_\_\_\_ %  
    Blonde Hair \_\_\_\_\_ %

9. Blue eyes are dominant to red eyes in rabbits. Show a heterozygous blue-eyed rabbit crossed with a red-eyed rabbit.


- a) Mother's Phenotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
b) Mother's Genotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
c) Father's Phenotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
d) Father's Genotype: \_\_\_\_\_  
e) Probability of Offspring with:  
    Blue Eyes \_\_\_\_\_ %  
    Red Eyes \_\_\_\_\_ %

f. If the rabbits gave birth to 20 bunnies, how many would be blue-eyed?

g. If the rabbits gave birth to 20 bunnies, how many would be red-eyed?