# EXCEPTIONS TO MENDEL’S LAWS 

All genes are not determined by only two alleles- one dominant and one recessive. There are some exceptions to Mendel's Laws.

## Today 3/23

- Turn in practice problems
- Get ready for a quiz to check your understanding of these punnett squares!




## Think of it like mixing paint...



## 1. INCOMPLETE DOMINANCE

- Neither allele is completely dominant
- Both alleles combine equally to give a new trait.
- Called hybrids



## PRACTICE TIME

In the box in your notes:

Cross a Red flower (RR) with a white flower ( $R^{\prime} R^{\prime}$ )


The traits don't mix any better than a bunch of marbles...


## 2. CODOMINANCE

- Both alleles are expressed
- Always use the dominant form of each allele



## PRACTICE TIME

In the box in your notes:

Cross a black chicken (BB) with a black and white chicken (BW)


## 3. MULTIPLE ALLELES:

more than two alleles control a phenotype

- Ex: blood type


|  | 0 | 0 | Genotypes: <br> AO- $2 / 4$ or $50 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | AO | AO |  |
| 0 | 00 | 00 | Type A- 2/4 or 50\% |

## Blood type inheritance

- Blood type = presence or absence of proteins on red blood cells
- Usually have to do more than one punnett square to determine possibilities for kids.

| Phenotypes <br> Blood types | Genotypes <br> Alleles for <br> blood type |
| :--- | :--- |
| A | AA or AO |
| B | BB or BO |
| AB | Only AB |
| $O$ | Only OO |



## PRACTICE TIME

## In the box in your notes:

Cross a parent with type AB blood with a parent with type A blood (2 punnetts)

| Blood Type | Genotype |  | Can Receive Blood From: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | $i_{i}{ }_{i}$ $i^{\text {A }} i^{\mathrm{A}}$ | AA AO | A or O |
| B | $i^{\mathrm{B}} \mathrm{i}^{\text {a }}$ $i^{\mathrm{B}}{ }^{\mathrm{B}}$ | BB Bо | B or O |
| AB | $i^{\text {A }}{ }^{\text {B }}$ | AB | $\begin{aligned} & A, B, \\ & A B, O \end{aligned}$ |
| O | ii | - | O |

Caucasians
African-
Hispanic
American

| O + | $37 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $39 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| O - | $8 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| A + | $33 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $27 \%$ |
| A - | $7 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ |
| B + | $9 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $25 \%$ |
| B - | $2 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ |
| AB + | $3 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| AB - | $1 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.1 \%$ |



## Another example... Labrador Retrievers!

- Labrador Retriever coat color
- Determined by 1 gene with 4 alleles.
- Even if more than 2 alleles exist in a population, any given individual can only have 2 of them
- (1 from mother, 1 from father)



## Lab Coat is controlled by MULTIPLE ALLELES ( $B, b, E$, and $e$ )

- Black is dominant to chocolate
- B: black
- b: chocolate
- Yellow is recessive epistatic (when present, it blocks the expression of the black and chocolate alleles)
- Yellow: E or e
-     * must be ee to produce a yellow lab


4. SEX-LINKED TRAITS: controlled by genes located on sex chromosomes

- Usually carried on X chromosome
- Since females are XX, they are usually carriers of the trait
- Since males are XY, they have one big \& one small, stumpy chromosome.
- The small chromosome (y) does not carry an allele so whatever allele is on the $X$ (donated by mom) is what the boy will have.
- He is either completely dominant or completely recessive
- Boys cannot be a carriers of a sex linked trait.

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- Males can pass it to all of their daughters, none to sons
- Females have $50 / 50$ chance of passing it to all of their children
- Ex:
- Hemophilia- can't clot blood
- Colorblindness- can' t see certain colors.




Heterochromia- uneven
distribution of pigment resulting from disease or injury

## 5. Polygenic inheritance-2 or more genes affect the phenotype.

- Ex: height, weight, skin color, eye color


| Phenotypes: | $1 / 64$ | $6 / 64$ | $15 / 64$ | $20 / 64$ | $15 / 64$ | $6 / 64$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of <br> dark-skin alleles: 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |

## What is a pedigree?

- Pedigrees: graphic representation of family tree
- May be used if testcross cannot be made
- Pedigree key:
$-\square=$ male
$-\square=$ female
$-\square=$ marriage
- Children = connected to marriage by vertical life
$-\square$ = recessive male/female (bb)
- $\square$ = heterozygous $1 / 2$ shaded, $1 / 2$ unshaded

$\square$ male Ofemale + stillhirth


## Make a little one using this fam...



