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| <b>My Favorite Genes VOCAB</b> |                          |
| Genetics                       | Heredity                 |
| DNA                            | Genes                    |
| Traits                         | Alleles                  |
| Dominant                       | Recessive                |
| Genotype                       | phenotype                |
| Homozygous<br>/ purebred       | Heterozygous<br>/ Hybrid |
| Mitosis                        | Meiosis                  |

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**Genetics:** the scientific study of heredity

**DNA:** contains your genes; found in the nucleus

**Traits:** the different forms of a characteristic (dimples: present or absent)

**Dominant:** the trait that overshadows and is expressed (capital letter)

**Genotype:** combination of alleles (letters): DD, Dd, dd

**Homozygous/purebred:** two alleles/letters for one trait that are the same (Ex: DD or dd)

**Mitosis:** cell reproduction- when one body cell becomes two

**Heredity:** the passing of physical characteristics from parents to offspring

**Genes:** the factor that controls a trait you exhibit; found on chromosomes

**Alleles:** the letters that represent the different forms of a gene (dimples: D= present; d= absent)

**Recessive:** the trait that hides in the background (lowercase letter). Can only be expressed in homozygous form (Ex: dd).

**Phenotype:** the physical appearance of a trait (Ex: dimples, no dimples)

**Heterozygous/hybrid:** two alleles/letters for one trait that are different (Ex: Dd)

**Meiosis:** produces four sex cells, sperm or egg that are used to pass a parent's traits to offspring.

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