

# Simple Genetics Practice Problems

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

AA <u>HO</u>	Ee <u>He</u>	li <u>He</u>	Mm <u>He</u>
Bb <u>He</u>	ff <u>HO</u>	Jj <u>He</u>	nn <u>HO</u>
Cc <u>He</u>	GG <u>HO</u>	kk <u>HO</u>	OO <u>HO</u>
Dd <u>He</u>	HH <u>HO</u>	LI <u>He</u>	Pp <u>He</u>

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

Purple flowers are dominant to white flowers      Brown eyes are dominant to blue eyes

PP <u>Purple</u>	BB <u>Brown</u>
Pp <u>Purple</u>	Bb <u>Brown</u>
pp <u>White</u>	bb <u>Blue</u>

Round seeds are dominant to wrinkled      Bobtails are recessive (long tails dominant)

RR <u>Round</u>	TT <u>Long</u>
Rr <u>Round</u>	Tt <u>Long</u>
rr <u>wrinkled</u>	tt <u>Bob</u>

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

Straight hair is dominant to curly.      Pointed heads are dominant to round heads.

<u>SS</u> straight	<u>PP</u> pointed
<u>Ss</u> straight	<u>Pp</u> pointed
<u>ss</u> curly	<u>pp</u> 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

	R	r
R	Rr	Rr
r	Rr	rr

What percentage of the offspring will be round? 50%

Rr x Rr

	R	r
R	RR	Rr
r	Rr	rr

What percentage of the offspring will be round? 75%

RR x Rr

	R	R
R	RR	RR
✓	Rv	Rv

What percentage of the offspring will be round? 100%

**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? 100%

	T	T
+	Tt	Tt
+	Tt	Tt

6. A Tt plant is crossed with a Tt plant. What percentage of the offspring will be short? 25%

	T	t
T	TT	Tt
t	Tt	tt

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)? 50%

	R	r
R	RR	Rr
R	RR	Rr

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

RR x rr

	R	R
✓	Rr	Rr
✓	Rr	Rr

What percentage of the offspring will also be homozygous? 0%

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? 100%

	p	p
p	pp	pp
p	pp	pp

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? 50%

	P	p
P	Pp	pp
p	Pp	pp

11. Two plants, both heterozygous for the gene that controls flower color are crossed. What percentage of their offspring will have purple flowers? 75%

What percentage will have white flowers? 25%

	P	p
P	PP	Pp
p	Pp	pp

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

What genotype would a purebreeding short haired guinea pig have? SS

What genotype would a long haired guinea pig have? ss

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? 100%

	S	S
s	Ss	Ss
s	Ss	Ss

14. Show the cross for two heterozygous guinea pigs.  
What percentage of the offspring will have short hair? 75%

What percentage of the offspring will have long hair? 25%

	S	s
S	SS	Ss
s	Ss	ss

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? Ss x Ss Show the cross to prove it!

	S	s
S	SS	Ss
s	Ss	ss

→ 25%