

## Complex Inheritance - Incomplete Dominance and Codominance

1. When a trait is not completely dominant or recessive, we describe this type of inheritance as being...

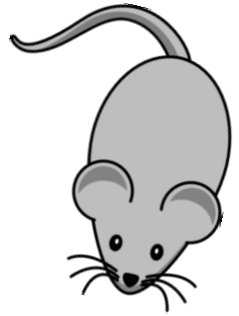
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2. Many genetic traits have a stronger dominant allele and a weaker recessive allele. This is known as complete dominance. What if a trait, however, is NOT completely dominant and/or recessive?

**Summarize the difference between**

**a. Incomplete dominance**

**b. Codominance**



3. How do you complete this type of Punnett Square problem?

4. So, if a **black mouse** crossed with a **white mouse** leads to a **heterozygous grey mouse**...

a. Identify the type of inheritance:

b. Write the **genotypes** for each **phenotype**.

Black \_\_\_\_\_

White \_\_\_\_\_

Grey \_\_\_\_\_

5. Use the Punnett square below to show the cross between a **black mouse** and a **white mouse**.

a. Genotype Probability (%):


b. Phenotype Probability (%):

c. Genotype/Phenotype Ratio - \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_

6. Use the Punnett square to the right to show the cross between **two grey mice**.

a. Genotype Probability (%):

b. Phenotype Probability (%):

c. Genotype/Phenotype Ratio - \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_


7. If a **red poinsettia** crossed with a **white poinsettia** leads to a **candy cane poinsettia with both red AND white**...
- a. Identify the type of inheritance:

b. Write the **phenotype** for each **genotype**.

R R \_\_\_\_\_

W W \_\_\_\_\_

R W \_\_\_\_\_

8. Use the Punnett square below to show the cross between a **white poinsettia** and a **candy cane mouse**.

a. Genotype Probability (%):


b. Phenotype Probability (%):

9. Genotype/Phenotype Ratio - \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_

10. In some chickens, the **heterozygous genotype** leads to a phenotype known as **erminette**, feathers which are speckled with both black AND white. The allele for Black is B and the allele for white is W.

a. This is an example of which inheritance pattern (*incomplete dominance or codominance*)?



b. For each **phenotype** below, identify the **genotype**.

**Black Chickens** \_\_\_\_\_

**White Chickens** \_\_\_\_\_

**Erminette Chickens** \_\_\_\_\_

11. A **black chicken** is crossed with an **erminette chicken**.

a. Genotype Probability (%):

b. Phenotype Probability (%):

c. Genotype/Phenotype Ratio - \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_


12. A **white chicken** is crossed with an **erminette chicken**.

a. Genotype Probability (%):

b. Phenotype Probability (%):

c. Genotype/Phenotype Ratio - \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_


13. Two **erminette chickens** are crossed.

a. Genotype Probability (%):

b. Phenotype Probability (%):

c. Genotype/Phenotype Ratio - \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_


14. In snapdragons, flower color is controlled by **incomplete dominance**. The allele for red is R and the allele for white is W.

a. Knowing this trait is incompletely dominant, what would be the **phenotype** for the heterozygous condition ( RW )? \_\_\_\_\_

b. For each *phenotype* below, identify the *genotype*.

**Red Genotype:** \_\_\_\_\_ **White Genotype:** \_\_\_\_\_



15. A **pink flowered snapdragon** is crossed with a **white flowered snapdragon**.

a. Genotype Probability (%):

b. Phenotype Probability (%):

c. Genotype/Phenotype Ratio - \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_



16. Edward is extremely romantic and wants to give Bella an entire bouquet of **pink snapdragons**, her favorite flower. Unfortunately, Edward only has **red snapdragons** in his greenhouse. In order to produce *the most number of pink snapdragons*, what color flower should Edward cross with his red snapdragons? Show the punnett square to defend your answer.

a. This cross should produce \_\_\_\_\_% **pink** snapdragons.

17. Bella is convinced that a greenhouse full of **pink snapdragons crossing with other pink snap dragons** will only make pink snapdragons! Edward uses a punnett square to help her understand the error of her ways...

a. This cross should produce \_\_\_\_\_% **pink** snapdragons.


18. Hair color in certain breeds of horses can be **Brown (B)**, **White (W)** or **Palomino (a tan color resulting from the heterozygous genotype BW)**.

a. This is an example of which *inheritance pattern*?

b. Write the *genotypes* for the following *phenotypes*.

**Brown** \_\_\_\_\_

**Palomino** \_\_\_\_\_

**White** \_\_\_\_\_

19. Can palominos be considered a **purebred** line of horses? *Defend your answer with an explanation.*

20. **Palomino horses are worth a great deal of money.** Which color horses would you breed if you wanted to produce *the most number of palominos in the shortest amount of time*? Show the punnett square to defend your answer.


21. If you are a breeder with a **male palamino horse**, what color female horse would you breed with your male *in order to produce the most number of palominos in the shortest amount of time*? Show the three possible crosses and circle your best option(s) for the female.




22. **Research it!** Use a device to find a real life example of each complex pattern of inheritance in humans.

*Incomplete Dominance*

*Codominance*