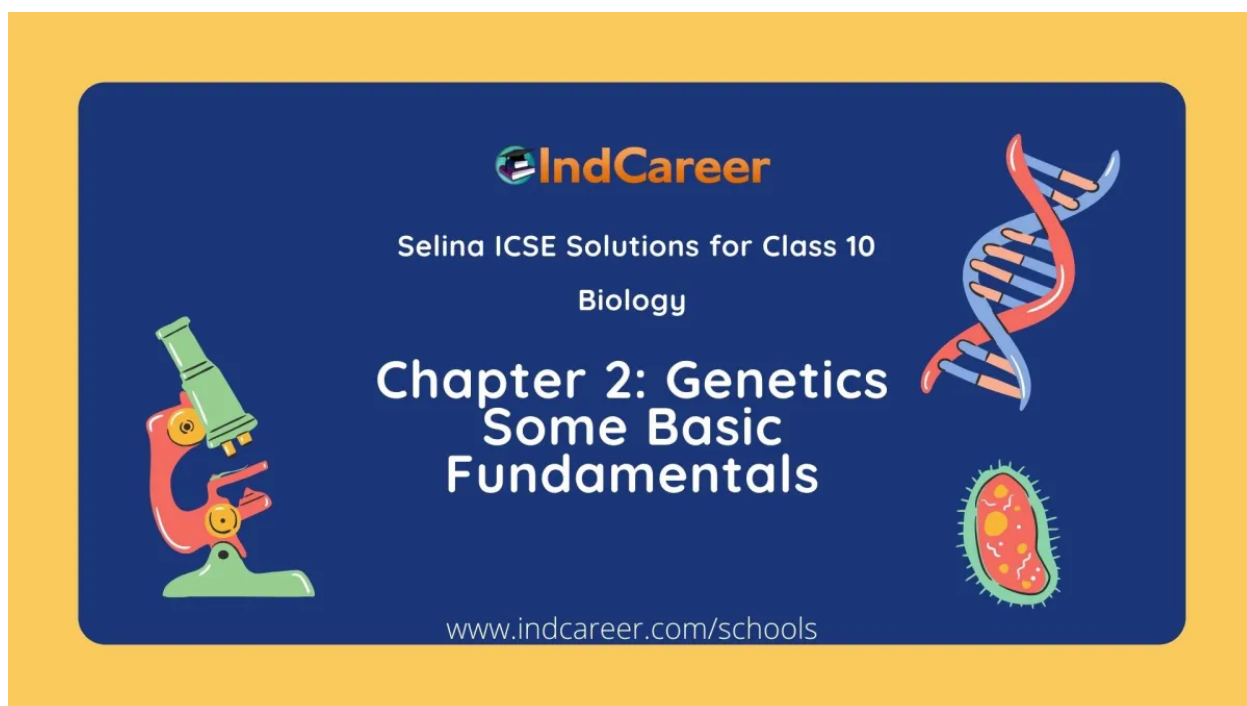


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Exercise 1

Solution A.1.

d) Ascaris

Solution A.2.

a) 3 : 1

Solution B.1.

- (a) – (iii) Study of laws of inheritance of characters
- (b) – (v) Chromosomes other than the pair of sex chromosomes
- (c) – (iv) A gene that can express when only in a similar pair
- (d) – (ii) The alternative forms of a gene
- (e) – (i) Chromosomes similar in size and shape

Solution B.2.

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Lion, tiger, domestic cat (Any two)

Solution B.3.

Colour-blindness, Thalassaemia, Sickle cell anaemia and Haemophilia (Any two)

Solution B.4.

Homozygous dominant – RR

Homozygous recessive – rr

Solution C.1.

(a)

Phenotype

The observable Characteristic which is genetically controlled is called phenotype.

Genotype

The set of genes present in the cells of an organism is called its genotype.

(b)

Character

Any heritable feature is called a character.

Trait

The alternative form of a character is called trait.

(c)

Monohybrid cross

Dihybrid cross

It is a cross between two pure breeding parent organisms with different varieties taking into consideration the alternative trait of only *one* character.

It is a cross between two pure breeding parent organisms with different varieties taking into consideration the alternative trait of *two* characters.

Solution C.2.

The characteristics of a species such as physical appearance, body functions and behavior are not only the outcome of chromosome number, but these depend on the genotype of every organism. That means the set of genes present in the organisms may vary and therefore lion, tiger and domestic cat have the same number of 38 chromosomes, their characteristics (like different appearances) are the result of the genes located on the chromosomes.

Solution C.3.

Character	Dominant trait	Recessive trait
Flower Colour	Purple	White
Seed Colour	Yellow	Green
Seed Shape	Round	Wrinkled
Pod Shape	Inflated	Constricted
Flower Position	Axial	Terminal

(Any 3)

Solution C.4.

- Colour-blindness is caused due to recessive genes which occur on the X chromosome.
- Males have only one X chromosome. If there is recessive gene present on X chromosome, then the male will suffer from colour-blindness.
- Females have two X chromosomes. It is highly impossible that both the X chromosomes carry abnormal gene. Hence, if one gene is abnormal and since it is recessive, its expression will be masked by the normal gene present on the other X chromosome. Females are unlikely to suffer from colour-blindness.

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Solution C.5.

Phenotypic Ratio – 3 (Black Fur) : 1 (Brown Fur)

Genotypic Ratio – 1 (Homozygous Black Fur) : 2 (Heterozygous Black Fur) : 1 (Homozygous Brown Fur)

Solution D.1.

(a) **Heterozygous:** The condition in which a pair of homologous chromosomes carries dissimilar alleles for a particular character.

For example –

1. A daughter (XX^o) from a normal homozygous mother for colour vision (XX) and a colour blind father has one normal and one defective allele (X^oY).
2. Certain tongue rollers are heterozygous with Rr genotype.

(b) **Homozygous:** The condition in which a pair of homologous chromosomes carries similar alleles for a particular character.

For example –

1. A colorblind daughter (X^oX^o) will have both the X chromosomes with defective alleles.
2. A non-roller will have rr (homozygous) genotype.

(c) **Pedigree Chart:** A pedigree chart is a diagram that shows the occurrence and appearance or phenotypes of a particular gene or organism and its ancestors from one generation to the next. In the pedigree chart, males are shown by squares and females by circles.

Solution D.2.

Mendel's laws of inheritance are:

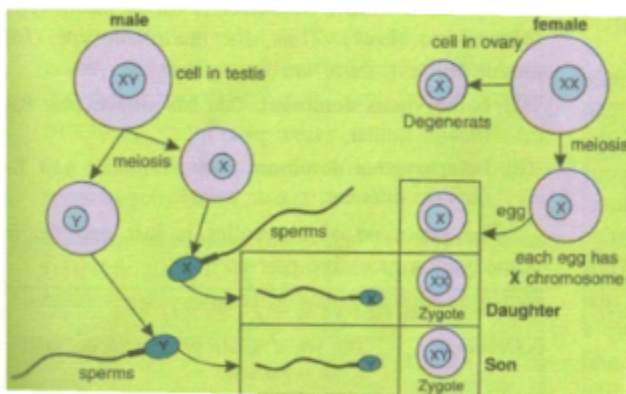
1. **Law of Dominance:** Out of a pair of contrasting characters present together, only one is able to express itself while the other remains suppressed. The one that expresses is the dominant character and the one that is unexpressed is the recessive one.
2. **Law of Segregation :** The two members of a pair of factors separate during the formation of gametes. The gametes combine together by random fusion at the time of zygote formation. This law is also known as 'law of purity of gametes'.

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3. **Law of Independent Assortment:** When there are two pairs of contrasting characters, the distribution of the members of one pair into the gametes is independent of the distribution of the other pair.

Solution D.3.

- The sex of the child depends on the father. The egg contains only one X chromosome, but half of the sperms contain X-chromosome whereas the other half contains Y-chromosome. It is simply a matter of chance as to which category of sperm fuses with the ovum and this determines whether the child will be male or female.
- If the egg fuses with X-bearing sperm, the resulting combination is XX and the resulting child is female.
- If the egg fuses with Y-bearing sperm, the resulting combination is XY and the resulting child is male.



Solution E.1.

Parents	Bb	x	Bb
Gametes	B b		B b
	B	BB	Bb
	b	Bb	bb

Genotype - 1(Homozygous Black Fur) :2 (Heterozygous Black Fur):1 (Homozygous Brown Fur)

Phenotype - 3 (Black Fur) :1(Brown Fur)

Solution E.2.

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- (a) Father
- (b) Two sons and three daughters
- (c) The child 1 (daughter) is colour blind
- (d) X chromosome
- (e) Haemophilia



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