Chapter 4 Section 1 Sexual Reproduction and Meiosis

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Topics	Notes, Diagrams, Drawings
Sexual reproduction	<ul> <li>Type of reproduction in which the genetic material from two different sex cells combine, producing an offspring</li> <li>Sex cells: <ul> <li>Egg cell: female sex cell, forms in the ovary</li> <li>Sperm cell: male sex cell, form in the testis</li> </ul> </li> <li>Fertilization: egg cell and sperm cell join together to form a new cell called a zygote which develops into an organism</li> </ul>
Diploid cells	<ul> <li>Following fertilization, the zygote goes through mitosis and cell division</li> <li>Organisms that reproduce sexually produce two kinds of cells: <ul> <li>Body cells: have 46 chromosomes: diploid</li> <li>Sex cells: have 23 chromosomes: haploid</li> </ul> </li> <li>Diploid cells: cells that have pairs of chromosomes <ul> <li>23 pairs in humans: 46 chromosomes</li> <li>39 pairs in dogs: 78 chromosomes</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Chromosomes	<ul> <li>Homologous chromosomes: pairs of chromosomes that have genes for the same traits arranged in the same order</li> <li>One chromosome is inherited from each parent, so the chromosomes are not the identical</li> </ul>
Haploid cells	<ul> <li>Sex cells, egg and sperm</li> <li>Haploid cells: cells that have only one chromosome from each pair</li> <li>Organisms that reproduce sexually produce sex cells during a process called meiosis</li> <li>Meiosis: one diploid cell divides and makes 4 haploid sex cells</li> </ul>
Phases of meiosis	<ul> <li>2 divisions of the nucleus and cytoplasm</li> <li>Meiosis I</li> <li>Meiosis II</li> <li>Result: 4 haploid cells with half the number of chromosomes as the original cell</li> </ul>

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Meiosis I	<ul> <li>Interphase: DNA is copied, cell grows</li> <li>Prophase: chromosomes condense</li> <li>Metaphase: chromosomes at middle</li> <li>Anaphase: chromosomes pull apart</li> <li>Telophase: two daughter cells</li> </ul>
Meiosis II	<ul> <li>Two cells formed during meiosis I go through a second cell division (nucleus and cytoplasm)</li> <li>Prophase: chromosomes visible</li> <li>Metaphase: sister chromatids at middle</li> <li>Anaphase: sister chromatids pull apart</li> <li>Telophase: 4 haploid sex cells</li> </ul>
Importance of meiosis	<ul> <li>Forms sex cells with the correct haploid number of chromosomes and thus ensures that the zygote will have the correct number of chromosomes when sex cells join</li> <li>Creates genetic variation (4 sex cells are genetically different)</li> </ul>
Comparing mitosis and meiosis	<ul> <li>Mitosis:</li> <li>Body cell (i.e skin cell) divides once</li> <li>Result: 2 identical cells</li> <li>Growth, repair, replacement of damaged tissue</li> <li>A form of asexual reproduction for some organisms</li> </ul> Meiosis: <ul> <li>Reproductive cell divides twice</li> <li>Result: 4 non-identical cells, each with half the number of original chromosomes as the original cell</li> <li>Forms sex cells for sexual reproduction</li> <li>Happens in reproductive organs (of multicellular organisms)</li> </ul>

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Advantages of sexual reproduction	
Genetic variation	<ul> <li>Offspring inherit half their DNA from each parent</li> <li>Different DNA means that each offspring has a different set of traits         <ul> <li>Individuals within a population have slight differences</li> <li>These differences may be an advantage if the environment changes (ie. drought, disease, severe cold)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Selective breeding	• Used to develop many different types of animals and plants with desirable traits
Disadvantages of sexual reproduction	<ul> <li>Takes time and energy <ul> <li>Organisms have to grow and develop until they are mature enough to produce sex cells</li> <li>Then they have to form the sex cells</li> <li>Before they reproduce, organisms must find a mate (take time &amp; requires energy)</li> <li>The search for a mate might expose those individuals to predators, disease, harsh environmental conditions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>