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1) Chromosomes carry genes which are the units of hereditary structure

2) Each chromosome contains many different genes

3) Chromosomes (and therefore genes) are paired.

4) Chromosomes segregate during meiosis. Each gamete gets half the # of chromosomes found in somatic cells.

5) Chromosomes sort independently during meiosis.

6. Exceptions to Mendel's Laws

Incomplete Dominance

- In some traits, both alleles for the trait are equally dominant so one allele cannot completely mask the other

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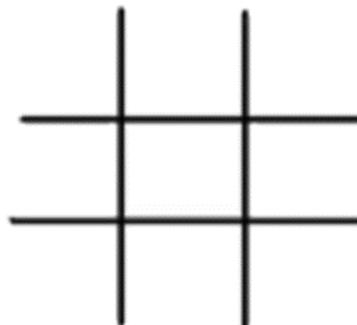
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Ie. Four O'Clocks

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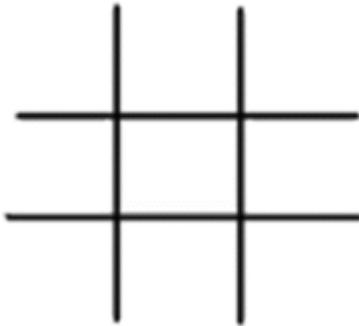


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Ratio - red : pink : white → _____

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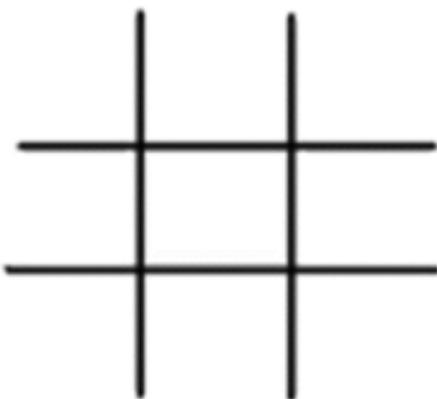
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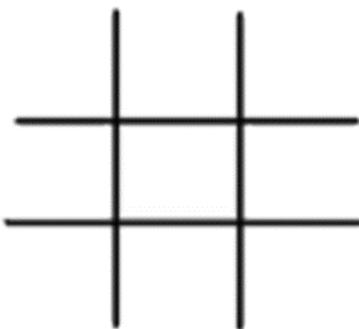
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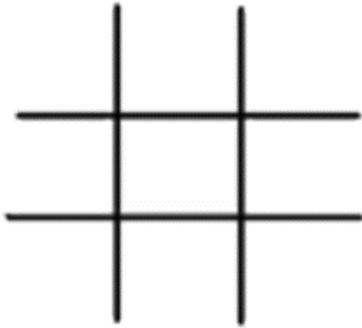


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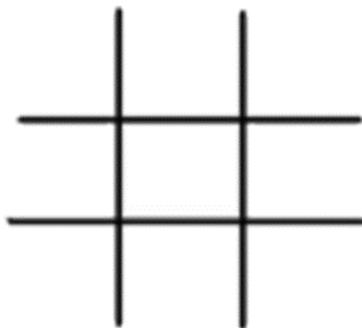
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