MONOHYBRID CROSS WORKSHEET

(Single-Trait Inheritance Sample Questions)

- In humans, albinism is due to a recessive gene. Two normal parents produce an albino child. If they produce another child, what are the chances that it will be an albino? (the letter A)
- 2. In foxes, silver-black coat colour is governed by a recessive allele (b) and red colour by its dominant allele (**B**). Determine the genotypic and phenotypic ratios expected from the mating of a homozygous red fox with a heterozygous red fox.
- 3. In humans, polydactyly (which causes the formation of extra fingers or toes) is due to a dominant gene, P. When one parent is heterozygous for polydactyly and the other is normal, what will be the expected frequency of polydactyly in their children?
- The gene for tongue rolling is determined by a dominant gene.
 a. If a father is heterozygous roller and the mother is a homozygous non-roller, what could their children be?
 - b. What is the expected frequency of tongue rollers in the family? (use the letter R)
- 5. Curly hair is dominant over straight hair. Is it possible for a curly haired man to produce curly haired children if his wife has straight hair? Use a Punnett square to determine your answer. (use the letter C).
- a) The ability to taste sodium benzoate is due to a dominant gene, T. If everyone in the Smith family of 14 individuals is a taster except for Poncho, does this mean that Poncho is adopted?
 - b) Widow's peak is due to a dominant gene, **W**. If no one in the Smith family has a widow's peak except for Sylvester, does this mean that Sylvester is adopted?
- 7. Several black guinea pigs of the same genotype were mated and produced 29 black and 9 white offspring. (use the letter B)
 a) What would you predict the genotypes of the parents to be?
 b) Why?