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MEIOSIS WORKSHEET

Match each of the following terms to its definition:

Prophase I Spindle fibers Zygote Telophase II
Sexual reproduction Sex cell Telophase I Prophase II

- 1. prophase I a phase of meiosis I during which chromosomes thicken and homologous pairs of chromosomes move together
- 2. prophase II a phase of meiosis II during which chromosomes thicken and the nuclear membrane breaks apart
- 3. sex cell an egg or sperm; contains half the number of chromosomes of body cells
- 4. sexual reproduction a type of reproduction in which the genetic information from two sex cells combines to form a zygote
- 5. spindle fibers threadlike fibers that form during prophase and attach to chromosomes at the centromere to pull them apart during cell division
- 6. telophase I a phase of meiosis I during which a nuclear membrane starts to form around each set of chromosomes
- 7. telophase II a phase of meiosis II during which a nuclear membrane starts to form around each set of chromatids
- 8. zygote a fertilized egg