## **GRADE 12 BIOLOGY**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT A – GENETICS

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **MENDEL - SECTION 11.1**

**Instructions**. Written responses are to be fully grammatically correct sentences!

1. **Single word response.** The scientific study of heredity is called:

- 2. Circle the letter of *each* sentence that is true about Gregor Mendel's peas.
  - **a.** The male parts of pea flowers produce eggs.
  - **b.** When pollen fertilizes an egg cell, a seed for a new plant is formed.
  - c. Pea plants normally reproduce by self-pollination.
  - **d.** Seeds that are produced by self-pollination inherit their characteristics from two different plants.

I do not like questions with more than one correct choice but some teachers do!

3. **Explain**. To perform his experiments, how did Mendel prevent pea flowers from self-pollinating and control their cross-pollination

4. **Explain**. What does it mean when pea plants are described as being '*true-breeding*'?

## 5. Genes and Dominance

Match the term with its definition. Inscribe the correct letter of the term in the blank underlined space.

Definition	Term
Specific characteristics that vary from one individual to another	a. genes
The offspring of crosses between parents with different traits	b. traits
Chemical factors that determine traits	c. alleles
The different forms of a gene	d. hybrids

Is the following sentence **True** or **False**? An organism with a recessive allele for a particular form of a trait will always exhibit that form.

6. State the principle of dominance.

7. Circle the *letter(s)* of the traits controlled by dominant alleles in Mendel's pea plants.

a. tall b. short c. yellow seeds d. yellow pods

(more than one correct answer)

8. **Complete the blank**. About one fourth of the  $F_2$  plants from Mendel's  $F_1$  crosses showed the trait controlled by the \_\_\_\_\_allele

## 9. Explain. What are gametes?

10. Complete the following diagram to show how alleles segregate during the formation of gametes.

