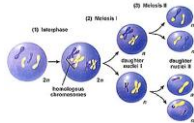
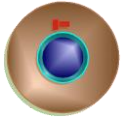
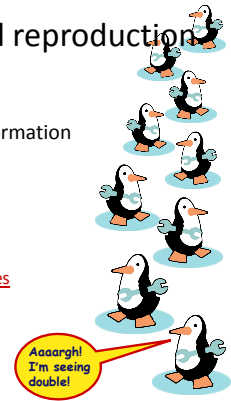
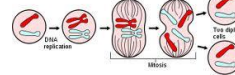


## Meiosis & Sexual Reproduction



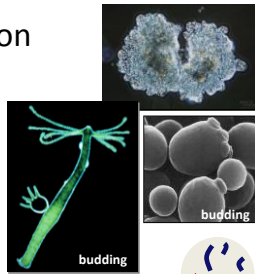
## Cell division / Asexual reproduction

- Mitosis
  - produce cells with same information
    - identical daughter cells
  - exact copies
    - clones
  - same amount of DNA
    - same number of chromosomes
    - same genetic information



## Asexual reproduction

- Single-celled eukaryotes
  - yeast (fungi)
  - Protists
    - *Paramecium*
    - *Amoeba*
- Simple multicellular eukaryotes
  - *Hydra*



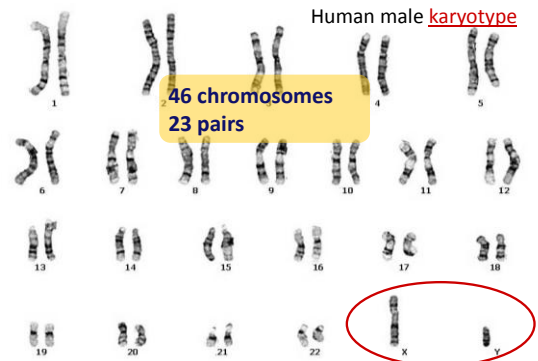
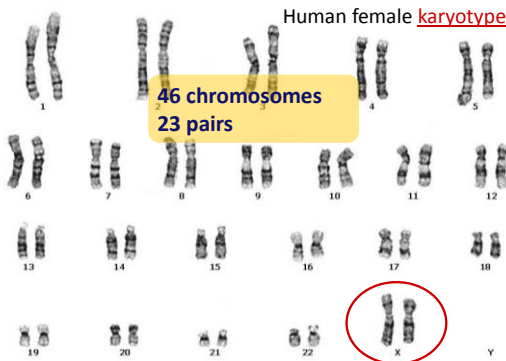
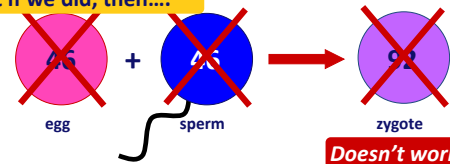
What are the disadvantages of asexual reproduction?  
What are the advantages?

## How about the rest of us?

- What if a complex multicellular organism (like us) wants to reproduce?
  - joining of egg + sperm
- Do we make egg & sperm by mitosis?

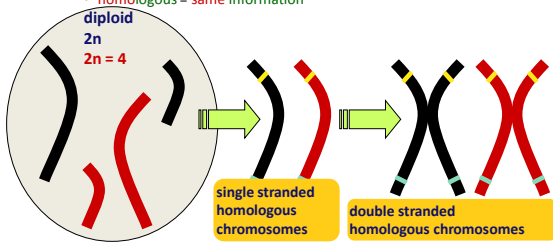
**No!**

What if we did, then....



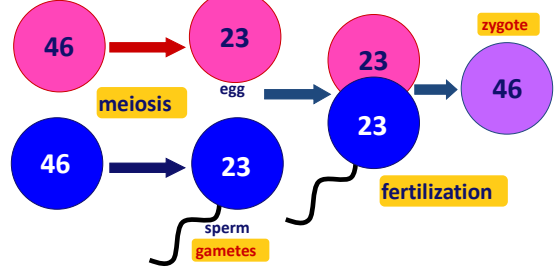
## Homologous chromosomes

- Paired chromosomes
  - both chromosomes of a pair carry "matching" genes
    - control same inherited characters
    - homologous = same information



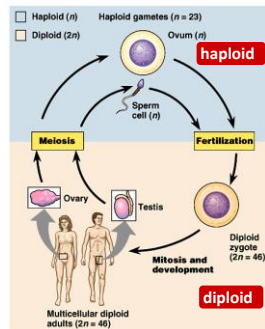
## How do we make sperm & eggs?

- Must reduce 46 chromosomes  $\rightarrow$  23
  - must reduce the number of chromosomes by half

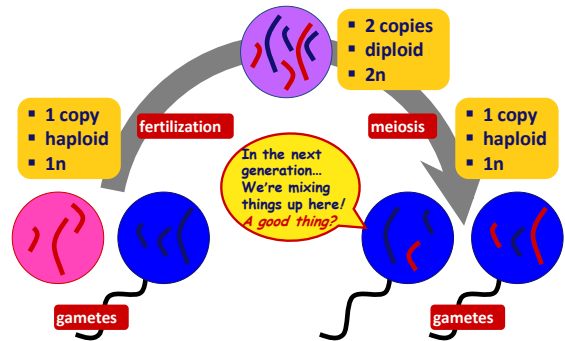


## Meiosis: production of gametes

- Alternating stages
  - chromosome number must be reduced
    - diploid  $\rightarrow$  haploid
    - $2n \rightarrow n$ 
      - humans: 46  $\rightarrow$  23
    - meiosis reduces chromosome number
    - makes gametes
  - fertilization restores chromosome number
    - haploid  $\rightarrow$  diploid
    - $n \rightarrow 2n$

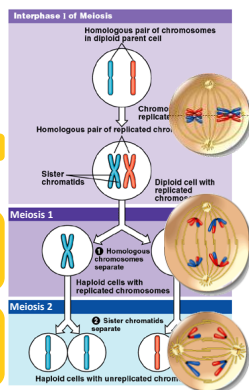


## Sexual reproduction lifecycle



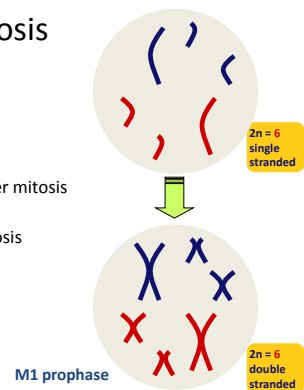
## Double division of meiosis

- DNA replication
  - 1st division of meiosis separates homologous pairs
  - 2nd division of meiosis separates sister chromatids
- I can't hear you!

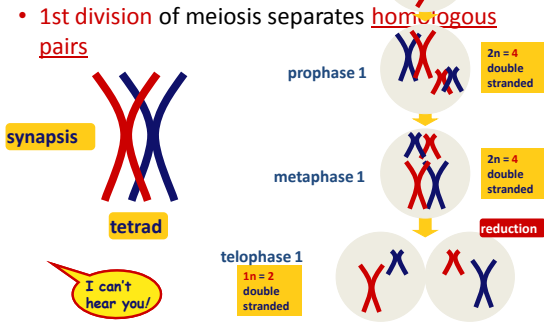


## Preparing for meiosis

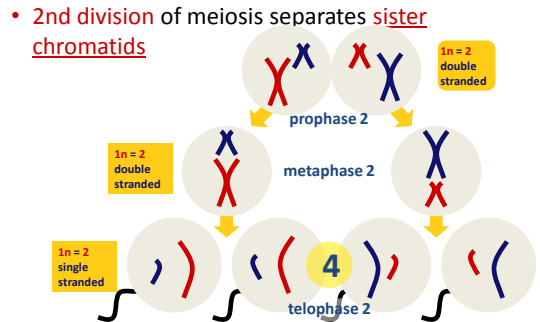
- 1st step of meiosis
  - Duplication of DNA
  - Why bother?
    - meiosis evolved after mitosis
    - convenient to use "machinery" of mitosis



### Meiosis 1



### Meiosis 2



### Steps of meiosis

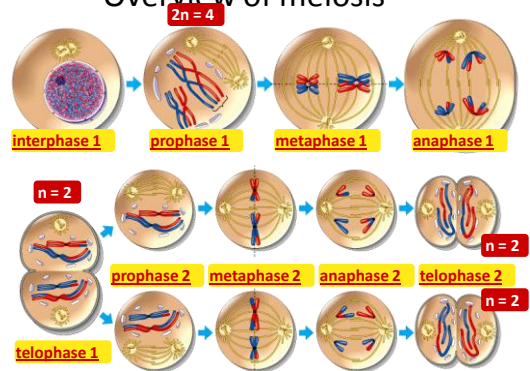
- Meiosis 1
  - interphase
  - prophase 1
  - metaphase 1
  - anaphase 1
  - telophase 1
- Meiosis 2
  - prophase 2
  - metaphase 2
  - anaphase 2
  - telophase 2

**1st division of meiosis separates homologous pairs**  
( $2n \rightarrow 1n$ )  
"reduction division"

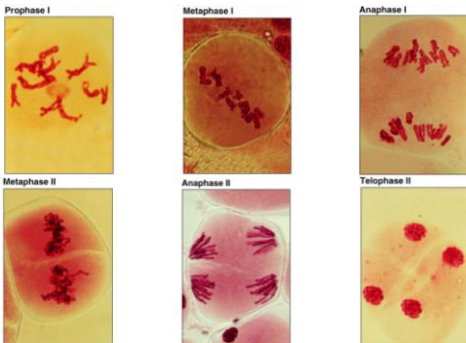
**2nd division of meiosis separates sister chromatids**  
( $1n \rightarrow 1n$ )  
\* just like mitosis \*

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### Overview of meiosis

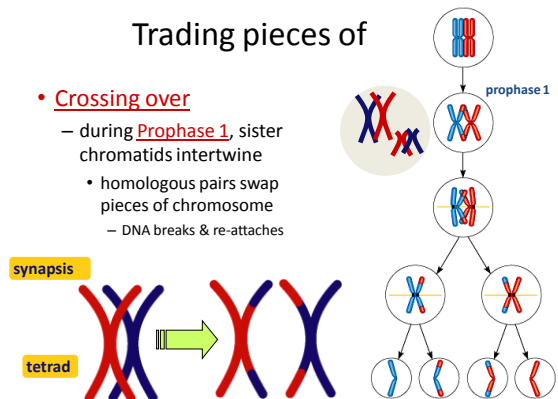


### Meiosis 1 & 2



### Trading pieces of

- **Crossing over**
  - during **Prophase 1**, sister chromatids intertwine
    - homologous pairs swap pieces of chromosome
      - DNA breaks & re-attaches

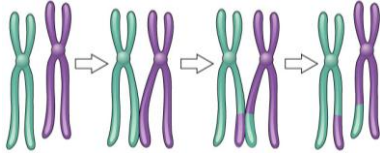


## Crossing over

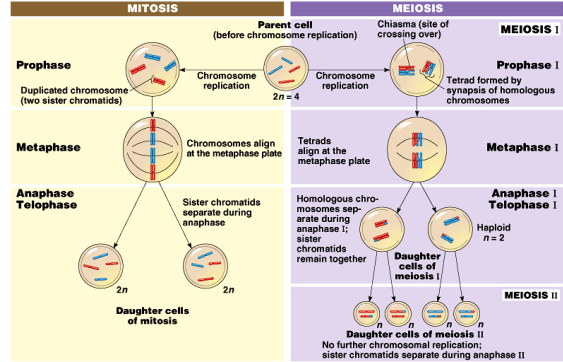
- 3 steps
  - cross over
  - breakage of DNA
  - re-fusing of DNA

What are the advantages of **crossing over** in sexual reproduction?

- **New combinations of traits**



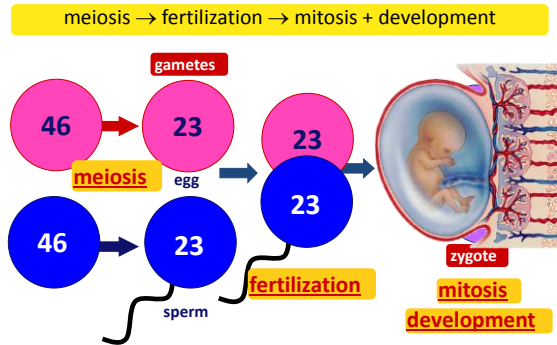
## Mitosis vs. Meiosis



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mitosis                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>1 division</b></li> <li>– daughter cells genetically <b>identical</b> to parent cell</li> <li>– produces <b>2 cells</b></li> <li>– <math>2n \rightarrow 2n</math></li> <li>– produces <b>cells for growth &amp; repair</b></li> <li>– no crossing over</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meiosis                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>2 divisions</b></li> <li>– daughter cells genetically <b>different</b> from parent</li> <li>– produces <b>4 cells</b></li> <li>– <math>2n \rightarrow 1n</math></li> <li>– produces <b>gametes</b></li> <li>– <b>crossing over</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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## Putting it all together...



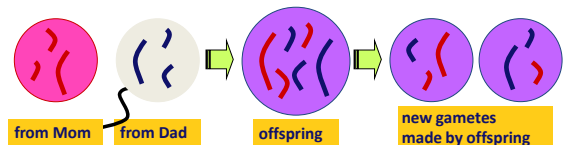
## The value of sexual reproduction

- **Sexual reproduction introduces genetic variation**
  - **genetic recombination**
    - **independent assortment** of chromosomes
      - random alignment of homologous chromosomes in Metaphase 1
    - **crossing over**
      - mixing of alleles across homologous chromosomes
    - **random fertilization**
      - which sperm fertilizes which egg?
- **Driving evolution**
  - providing variation for natural selection



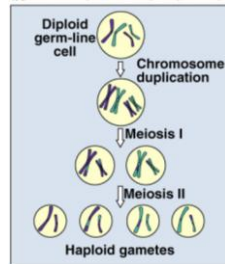
## Variation from genetic recombination

- Independent assortment of chromosomes
  - meiosis introduces genetic variation
  - gametes of offspring do not have same combination of genes as gametes from parents
    - random assortment in humans produces  $2^{23}$  (8,388,608) different combinations in gametes



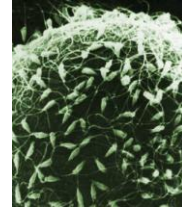
## Variation from crossing over

- Crossing over creates completely new combinations of traits on each chromosome
  - creates an infinite variety in gametes



## Variation from random fertilization

- Sperm + Egg = ?
  - any 2 parents will produce a zygote with over 70 trillion ( $2^{23} \times 2^{23}$ ) possible diploid combinations



## Sexual reproduction creates variability

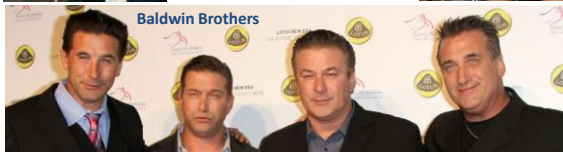
Sexual reproduction allows us to maintain both genetic similarity & differences.



Ben and Casey  
Affleck



Zoey and Emily  
Deschanel



Baldwin Brothers