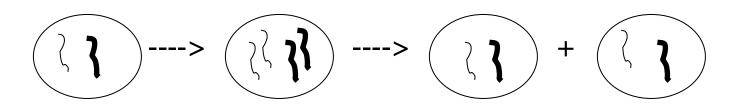
## CELL DIVISION (mitosis)

- cell divides into 2 identical cells
- DNA makes a copy of itself (replication)
- chromosomes double and split in two (each new cell gets a copy of the original)



- chromosome number stays the same from parent to daughter
- increases the number of cells
  1 --> 2 --> 4 --> 8 --> 16
- single-celled organisms reproduce or increase population
- multi-celled organisms to grow or replace damaged or dead cells