## CHROMOSOMES

- found inside nucleus
- made of DNA
- 46 chromosomes in humans (23 pairs)
- get one half from each parent for each trait
- GENES are sections of DNA within the chromosome

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## **GENES**

- genes code directions for building proteins
- 20,000-35,000 genes in human genome
- dominant and recessive
- same gene but code is for a different protein (allele)

## brown eyes

blue eyes

## **MEIOSIS**

- makes sex cells (egg or sperm)
- parent cell divides by MITOSIS into two new cells
- these new cells divide in half to create egg or sperm
- each new cell has chromosomes from original pair (half the original genetic information)
- huge variation of traits (always new coin flip)

