## Activity Report

INDIAN CORN: HOW DOES INDIAN CORN ILLUSTRATE MENDEL’S LAW?

## I. SUMMARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the dominant and recessive phenotypes in Indian corn? If you were a researcher, how would you go about testing to prove your answer?
2. Determine the ratio of phenotypes on Cob \#1 using a Punnett Square. (Monohybrid Cross)
3. Determine the ratio of phenotypes on Cob \#2 using a Punnett Square. (Dihybrid Cross) (add paper if you need more room)
4. Explain why the recessive traits appeared in the $F_{2}$ generation.
5. Why did Cob \#2 have four phenotypes instead of two?

## II. SUMMARY QUESTION FOR CHI-SQUARE CALCULATIONS

Using your data, show the $X^{2}$ calculations for each corncob. Show all work. Write a statement as to whether or not the null hypothesis is accepted or rejected. If the hypothesis is rejected, explain why the $X^{2}$ value was so high (in other words, why was the data you collected not what was expected). Add paper if you need more room.

Cob 1:

Cob 2:
A. COUNT OF F2 KERNELS, MONOHYBRID CROSS Cobb \#1 Recall, you should expect a 3:1 ratio (purple/white)

| Number of each color per row |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| ROW | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PURPLE <br> Color |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WHITE <br> Color |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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Observed
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TOTAL \# OF KERNELS = (total observed above)
Total Expected
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B. COUNT OF F2 KERNEL, DIHYBRID CROSS Cobb \#2

You should expect a 9:3:3:1 ratio (both traits together)

| Number of each color per row |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| ROW | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PURPLE <br> SMOOTH |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PURPLE <br> WRINKLED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WHITE <br> SMOOTH |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WHITE <br> WRINKLED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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