

In this investigation, we will use a hypothetical insect and its "genes" to demonstrate basic Mendelian genetics. But first a few terms we need to know:

Define the following terms:

Dominance-

Recessive-

Genotype-

Phenotype-

Homozygous-

Heterozygous-

Punnet square-

Identify the genotypes and phenotypes of your insect: Must have two genes for each genotype. See phenotype key on back page.

Chromosome #1

Genotype:

Phenotype:

Abdomen size

Body color

Thorax size

Wings

Chromosome #2

Genotype:

Phenotype:

Drug resistant

Head size

Eye color

Antennae present

Leg length

Chromosome #3

Genotype:

Phenotype:

Fertile

Sex

Now construct your bug given the body parts sheet. Be sure to include the characteristics as they have been coded for on the chromosomes. Finally, add color to your bug!

Abdomen size:

Long	A
Short	a

Body color:

Black	B
Grey	b

Thorax size:

Long	T
Short	t

Wings:

Long	W
Short	w

Drug resistant
to DDT:

Is	D
Is not	d

Head size:

Large	H
Small	h

Eye color:

Red	R
Green	r

Antennae:

Present	P
Not present	p

Leg length:

Short	S
Long	s

Fertility:

Fertile	F
Not fertile	f

Sex:

Female	X
Male	Y



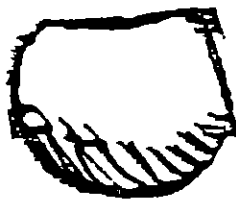
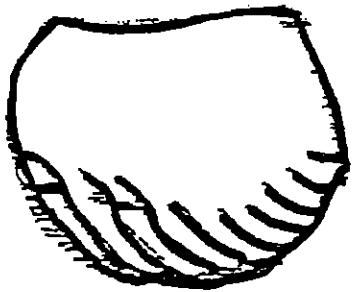
head



antennae



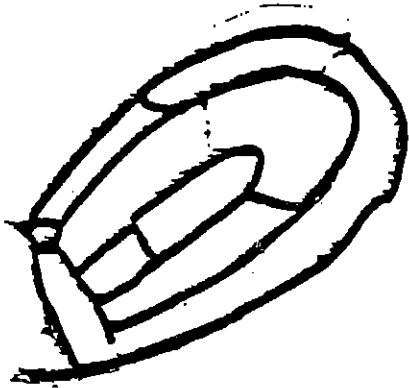
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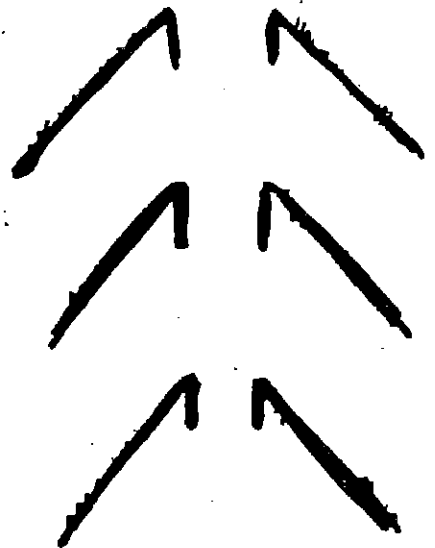
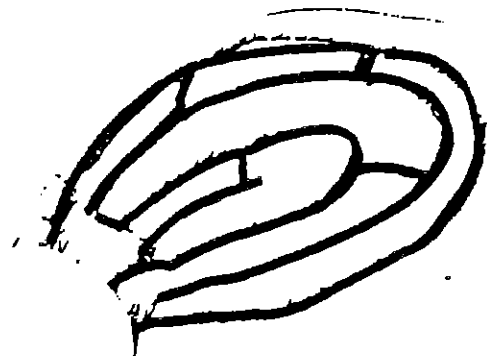
abdomen



legs



wings



legs