

GENETICS TRAITS BINGO

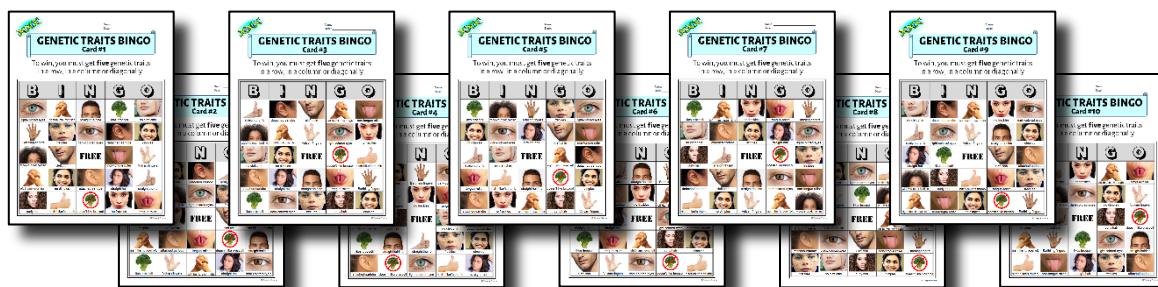
Teacher's Instructions

WHEN TO USE THIS ACTIVITY

You can use this activity at any time during your genetics unit, but I find it to be a great hook to get students interested in genetics by analyzing their own genetic traits. For that reason, I use this as the **opening activity** for my genetics unit.

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) **PREPARE PRIZES** for your bingo winners if you so choose.
- 2) **10 DIFFERENT CARDS**. Photocopy enough cards so that every student in your class gets one of the ten cards. (Photocopy a few extras for students who accidentally spoil their card.) If they sit in groups, be sure to give each member of the group a **different card**.



- 3) **HOW STUDENTS WIN**: Tell students that you will call out different traits and that if the student possesses that trait they will be able to **mark an X** on top of that trait. Any line of **five traits** found horizontally, vertically or diagonally will be considered a win and they can call BINGO! Remind them to mark an **X on the FREE spot** first.
- 4) **TEACHER CALL CARD**: A Call Out Card has been provided that allows you to easily keep track of which traits you've called out.