



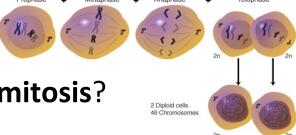
# Mitosis, meiosis, and ploidy



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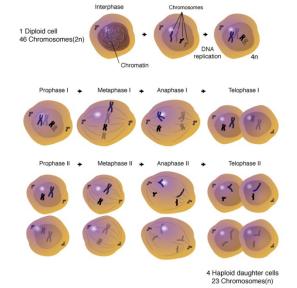
#### **Answer:**

#### You get a *genetic mosaic*:

Different cells within individual have different genetic code. Mutations in mitosis control genes often lead to cancer.

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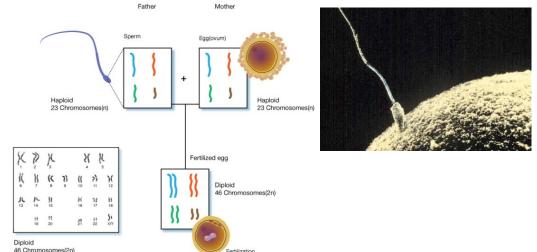
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# Fertilization brings together gametes from the two parents in an offspring

 1N meiotic gametes come together to form a new 2N diploid cell (zygote)

Half of genetic material is from "mother", half from "father"



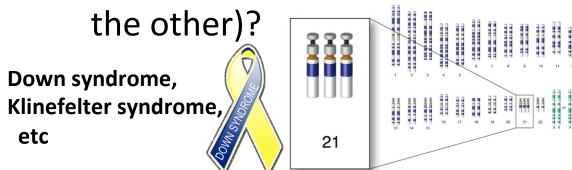
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Cells in your face are affected

- Could these cells spread via mitosis?
- Could these cells spread via meiosis?
- Would you pass on affected cells to your offspring?

# Starting cell has a (homologous) pair of one chromosome

Chromatids are "identical"
This picture has 2 pairs of chromatids

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