1.11 Chromosomes

The word chromosome originated from the Greek words chroma, meaning color and soma meaning body. They are small structures found in cells more precise in the nucleus (stores the cell genetic information) made from the DNA (responsible for the cell functionality inside the nucleus) and protein. The data inside the chromosomes tell the cells how to function and replicate. Each chromosome contains sections of DNA known as genes where each gene has a code on how to make a specific protein.

1.12 Self-Check Questions for the Chromosomes Sub-Section

- 1. What are chromosomes?
- 2. What are chromosomes made of?