**Genetics and Traits**

**Characteristics** - a special quality or trait that makes a person, thing, or group different from others

**Inherited** **Trait**- a feature that you are born with (example, eye color)

**Learned Behavior –** Something you are taught or learn through experience

**Likeness** - similar or nearly the same

**Traits** - distinguishing characteristics

**DNA** - material in life forms that transfer genetic characteristics from parents to offspring

**Genes –** Sets of instructions in each human cell that determines inherited physical features and other traits.

**Heredity** – The passing on of traits and physical features from parents to their children

**Dominant** – Genes that are strong and in control (example, brown eyes)

**Recessive** – Genes are weaker (example, green eyes)