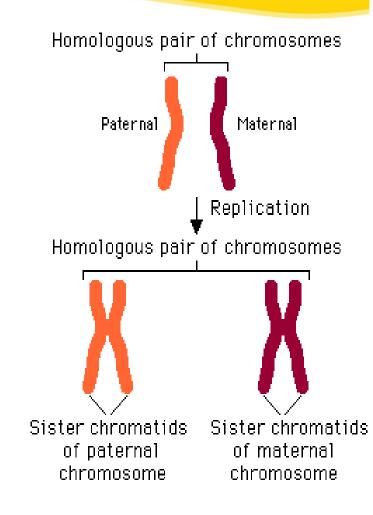
# **MEIOSIS** Creating gametes (sex cells)

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### Chromosome Number

- A human body cell has 46 chromosomes
- 23 from dad and 23 from mom
- These sets of chromosomes are <u>homologous</u>, meaning that each chromosome that came from dad has a corresponding chromosome from mom.

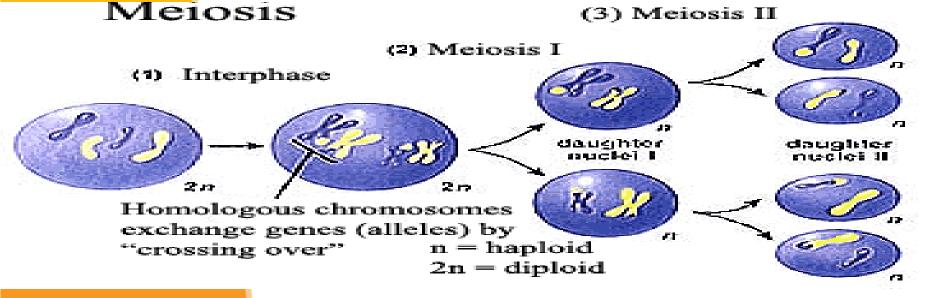


## Diploid and Haploid

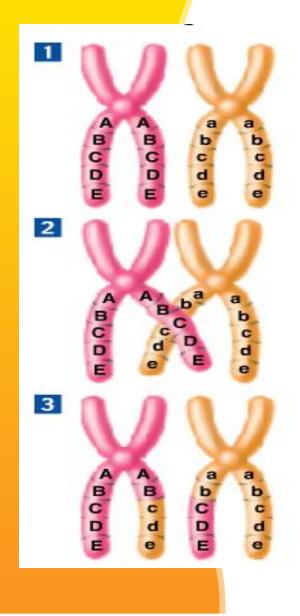
- A cell that contains both sets of homologous chromosomes is said to be <u>diploid</u>.
- Diploid= "two sets", 2N, or 2N=46
- A cell that only contains 1 set of chromosomes is said to be haploid.
- Haploid= "one set", N, or N=23

#### Phases of Meiosis

- Occurs in 2 divisions- meiosis I and meiosis II
- In the end one diploid cell will become 4 haploid cells



## Crossing Over occurs in Meiosis I



- 1. Homologous chromosomes form a tetrad
- 2. Chromatids cross over one another
- 3. The crossed sections of chromatids are exchanged

4. This produces a new combination of genes which contributes to diversity within a population.

Gamete Formation occurs in Meiosis II
Meiosis I results in 2 haploid daughter Cells

- Meiosis II results in 4 haploid daughter
   cells
- The haploid gamete in males is sperm
  The haploid gamete in females is the

