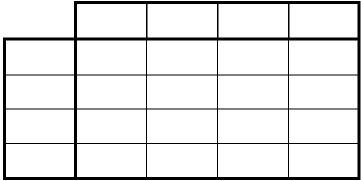
TWO INDEPENDENT GENES FOR SUPER-STRENGTH #1 CAN YOU HELP US SOLVE PROBLEMS LIKE IN THE STORY? SUPPOSE THERE ARE TWO INDEPENDENT GENES NEEDED FOR SUPERSTRENGTH!

In the story, we show how a Punnett square can be used to calculate the likelihood that a super-strong person like Wonderguy could be born from two parents, each with a recessive strength trait. With two independent genes to be considered, how does the Punnett square change?

Suppose both parents carry the recessive trait in both genes, HhTt. <u>Step 1</u>: Use a tree diagram to see what different combinations of traits are possible from each parent.

First Gene Second Gene Possibilities

STEP 2: PUT THE POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS OF TRAITS DOWN BOTH SIDES OF YOUR PUNNETT SQUARE, AND FILL IN THE MIDDLE FOR THE RESULTS.



THE PROBABILITY THAT THEIR OFFSPRING HAS SUPER-STRENGTH IS ______

SUPER-TRICKY! WHAT IS THE PROBABILITY THAT THEIR OFFSPRING WILL NOT HAVE SUPER-STRENGTH, BUT CARRY AT LEAST ONE RECESSIVE GENE? WHAT IS THE PROBABILITY THAT THEIR OFFSPRING WILL NOT CARRY A RECESSIVE GENE? WHAT IS THE SUM OF THE PROBABILITIES?