## Variation and Inheritance : The Mr Men Mating Game!





# What did we learn from this?



- Children inherit features from their parents
- If two parents have a certain characteristic then their child may show it even more (e.g. Mr Small + Little Miss Tiny = Mr Very Small!)
- Some things such as glasses, scars and muscles we get from our <u>environment</u>, they are not inherited.



## Genetic information

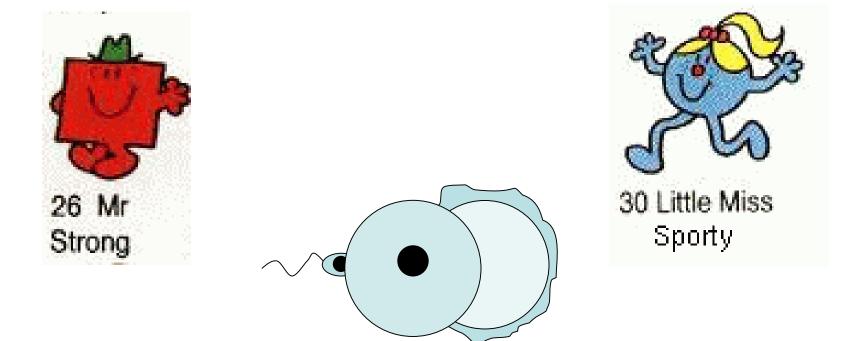


- The instructions that make up a plant or animal comes from their **parents**.
- ½ comes from the sperm and ½ from the egg
- These instructions are found in the nucleus of the cells.
- The instructions for each characteristic are called **GENES**.

### **Inherited Characteristics**

30 Little Miss 26 Mr Sporty Strong  $\frac{1}{2}$  a set of  $\frac{1}{2}$  a set of instructions instructions for making for making your dad your mum

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This cell goes on to develop into...

### **Inherited Characteristics**



These 'instructions' are called GENES. Each gene codes for a separate CHARACTERISTIC



30 Little Miss Sporty

> Gene for blonde hair from mother

Gene for skin tone from father

#### Meet our Mr Men

#### And our Little Misses



Use these images to match Mr Men and Little Misses and create their offspring. Make sure that you say why you think that their children would look that way.