

**asexual
reproduction**

production of
offspring by a single
parent

egg cell

sex cell of the
female parent

fertilization

the joining of male
and female cells in
sexual reproduction

genes

sections of DNA that control
the substances the cell
makes and when it makes
them

heredity

the passing of traits
from parents to their
offspring

meiosis

the process of cell
division by which sex
cells are formed

**selective
breeding**

the process of selecting a few
organisms with desired traits
to serve as parents of
offspring

**sexual
reproduction**

**reproduction
by two parents**

sperm cell

**sex cell of the
male parent**

