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- Dig into DNA — discover how your DNA is put together, how it gets copied, and how the building plans for your body are encoded in the double helix
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- Get in the know — learn about the impact of genetics on hot topics like population genetics, evolution, forensics, cloning, ethical issues, and more

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- The basics of cell biology
- The laws of inheritance
- A plain-English explanation of traits
- The genetics of sex
- How DNA is replicated
- A tour of the double helix
- The genetics of diseases
- How gene therapy can treat genetic diseases
- The use of DNA to solve crimes
- Controversial topics in genetics

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- Understand the latest on stem cell research
- Get up to speed on molecular genetics, genetic counseling, and more
- Explore ethical issues as they apply to genetics

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