

Meiosis:

The reason you are not
a clone of your mom or
dad.

Thank you Meiosis.

Meiosis

Meiosis is the type of cell division that creates gametes (eggs and sperm) .

One parent cell produces 4 genetically different daughter cells.

Daughter cells have half the number of chromosomes found in the original parent cell

Meiosis

Before meiosis, DNA replicates
once

But during Meiosis the nucleus
divides twice.

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The division of the nucleus can be divided into 4 stages.

4 stages X 2 divisions = 8 phases

Whew. Math is hard.

Meiosis I

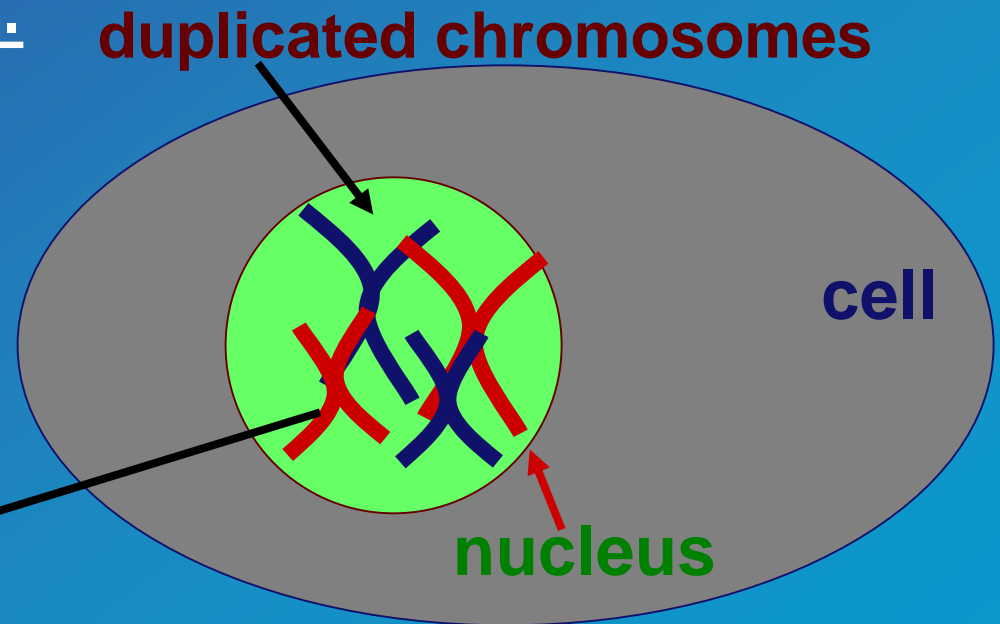
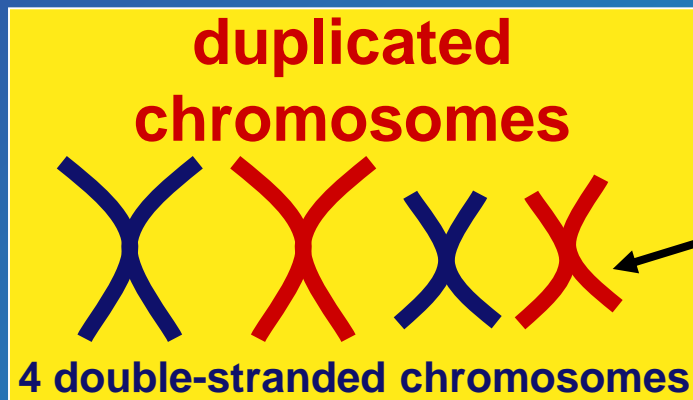
First division of meiosis

First Division of Meiosis

- **Prophase 1:** Each chromosome duplicates and remains closely associated. These are called sister chromatids.
- **Metaphase 1:** Chromosomes align at the center of the cell.
- **Anaphase 1:** Chromosome pairs separate with sister chromatids remaining together.
- **Telophase 1:** Two daughter cells are formed with each daughter containing only one chromosome of the chromosome pair.

Prophase I

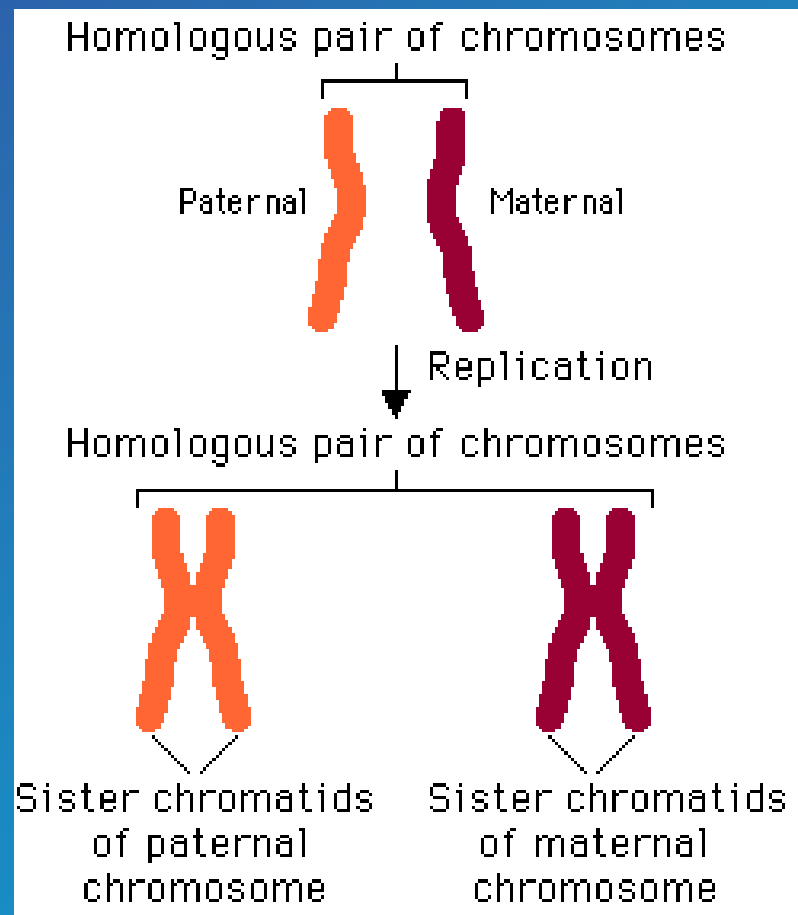
- **Prophase 1:** Each chromosome has duplicated (interphase) and remains attached with its copy. These are called sister chromatids.



Prophase I

- Prophase I: Homologous chromosomes pair up.

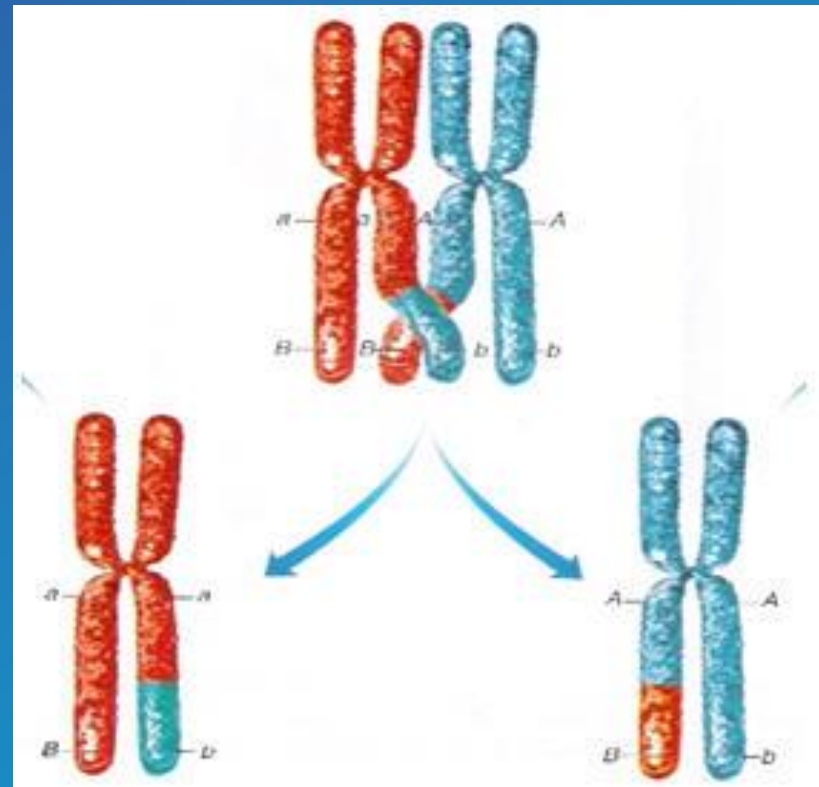
**Pair = One from mom
+ one from dad**



Prophase I

- Prophase I: Homologous pairs line up for crossing over where they swap parts of the DNA.

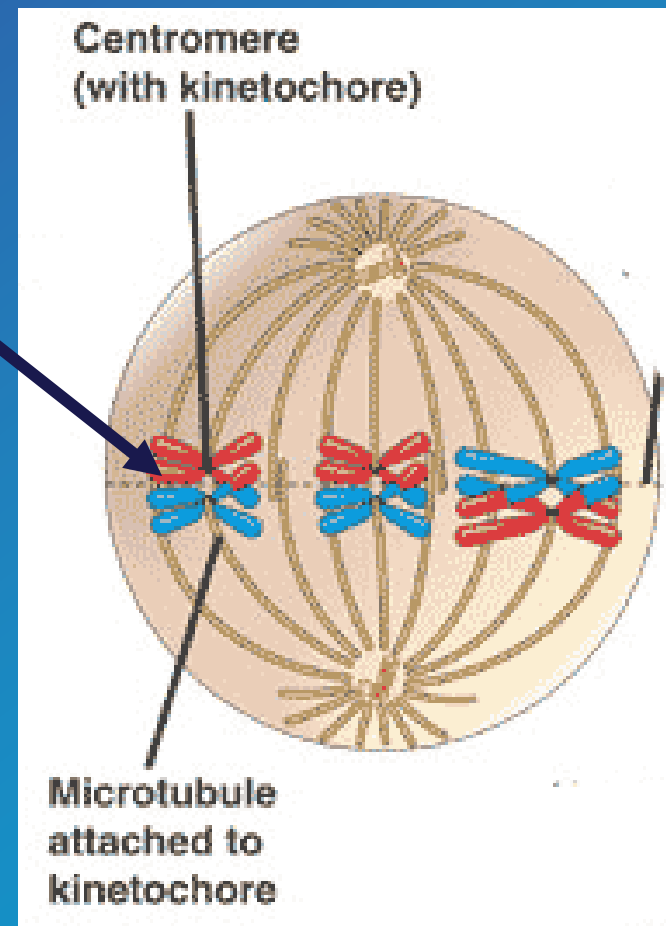
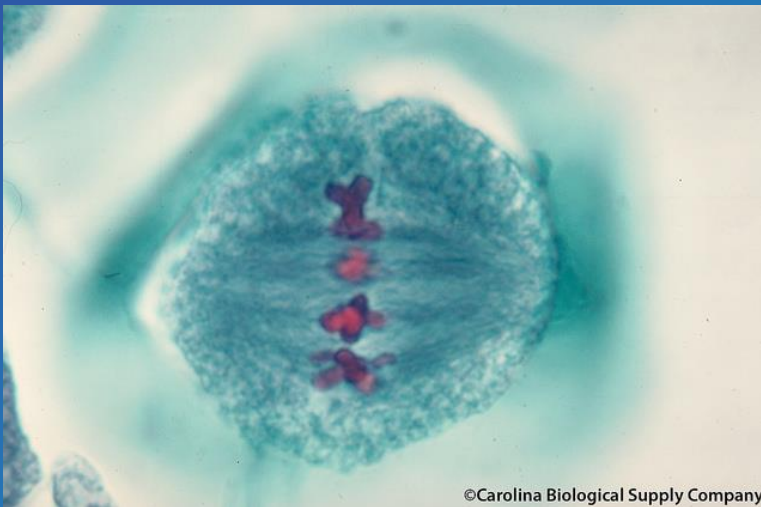
Chromosomes are now a *mix* of mom and dad



Metaphase I

- **Metaphase 1:** Homologous pairs align at the center of the cell.

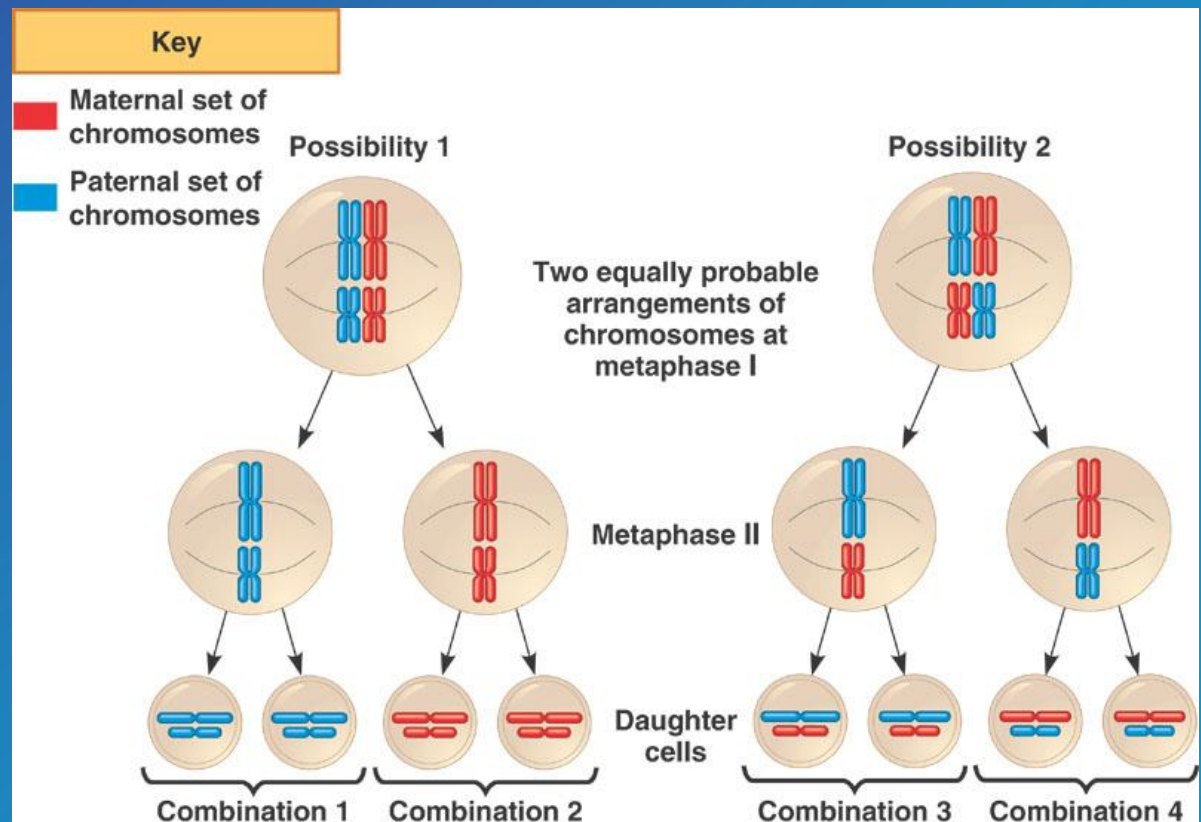
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Metaphase I

- Metaphase I: How homologous pairs align is completely random! Independent orientation (assortment).

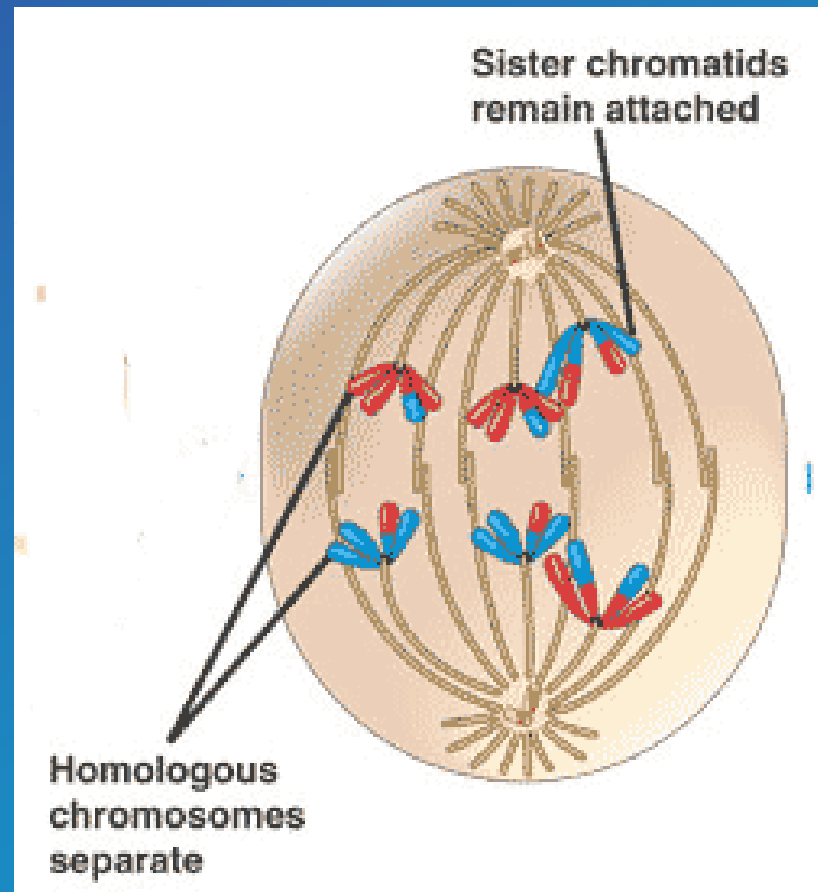
**Genetic
variability!**



Anaphase I

- **Anaphase 1:** Homologous pairs separate with sister chromatids remaining together.

**This is how
chromosome
number is cut in
half.
(Diploid to haploid)**

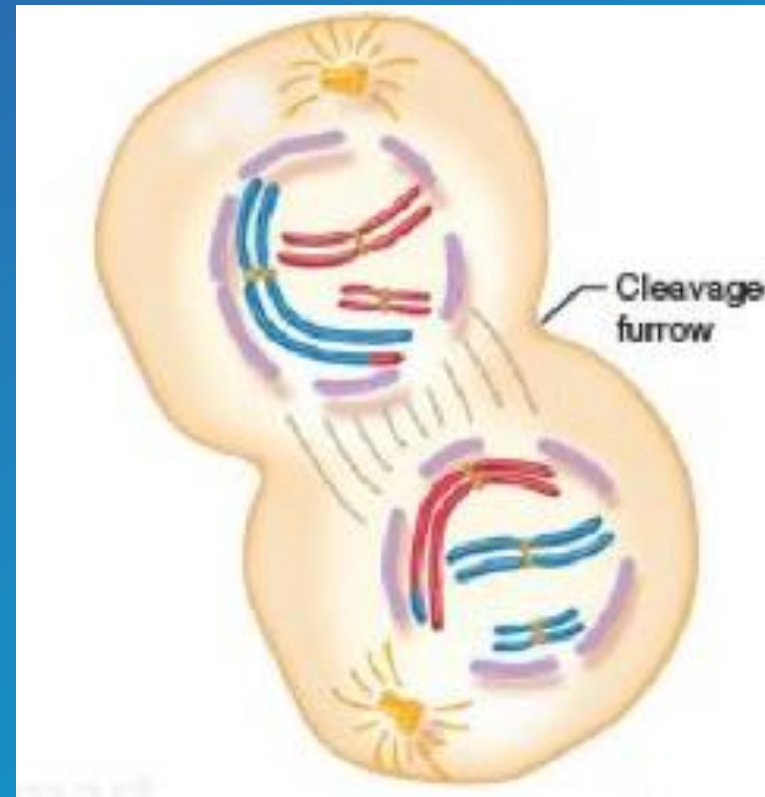


Telophase I & Cytokinesis

- **Telophase 1:** Two daughter cells are formed with each daughter containing half the chromosomes as the parent cell.

**Cell went from 6 to 3 chromosomes.
(Diploid to haploid)**

Cells are also genetically different than the original parent cell



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Second Division of Meiosis:

- Déjà vu of mitosis (2 cells going through mitosis at once)
- Going from double to single stranded chromosomes.
- Sister chromatids say goodbye 😞.

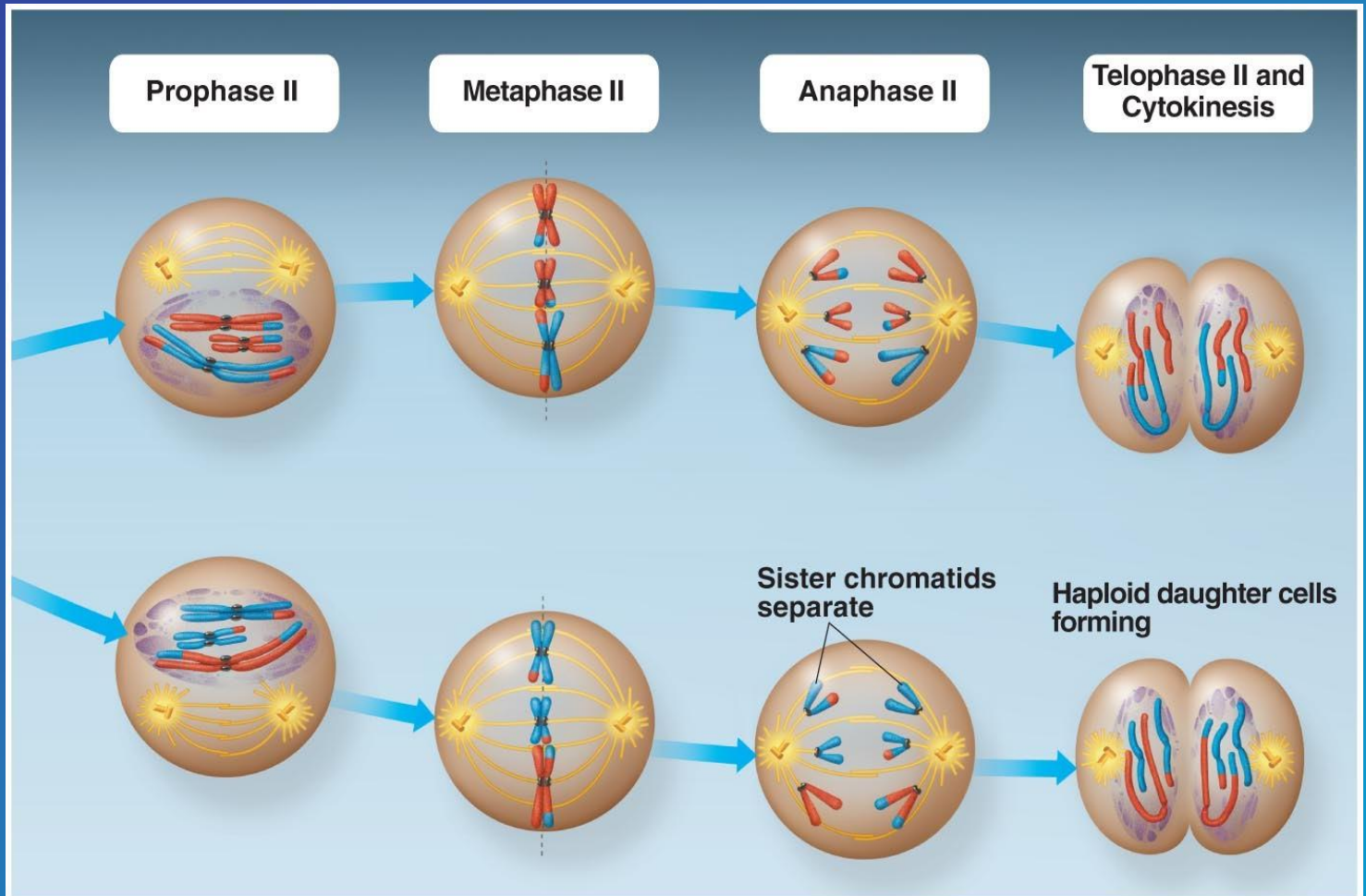
Second Division of Meiosis

- **Prophase 2:** DNA does not replicate again.
- **Metaphase 2:** Chromosomes line up at the center of the cell
- **Anaphase 2:** Chromosomes divide and sister chromatids move separately to each pole.
- **Telophase 2:** Cell division is complete.

Four haploid daughter cells are formed.

Meiosis II

2 cells
dividing
at once

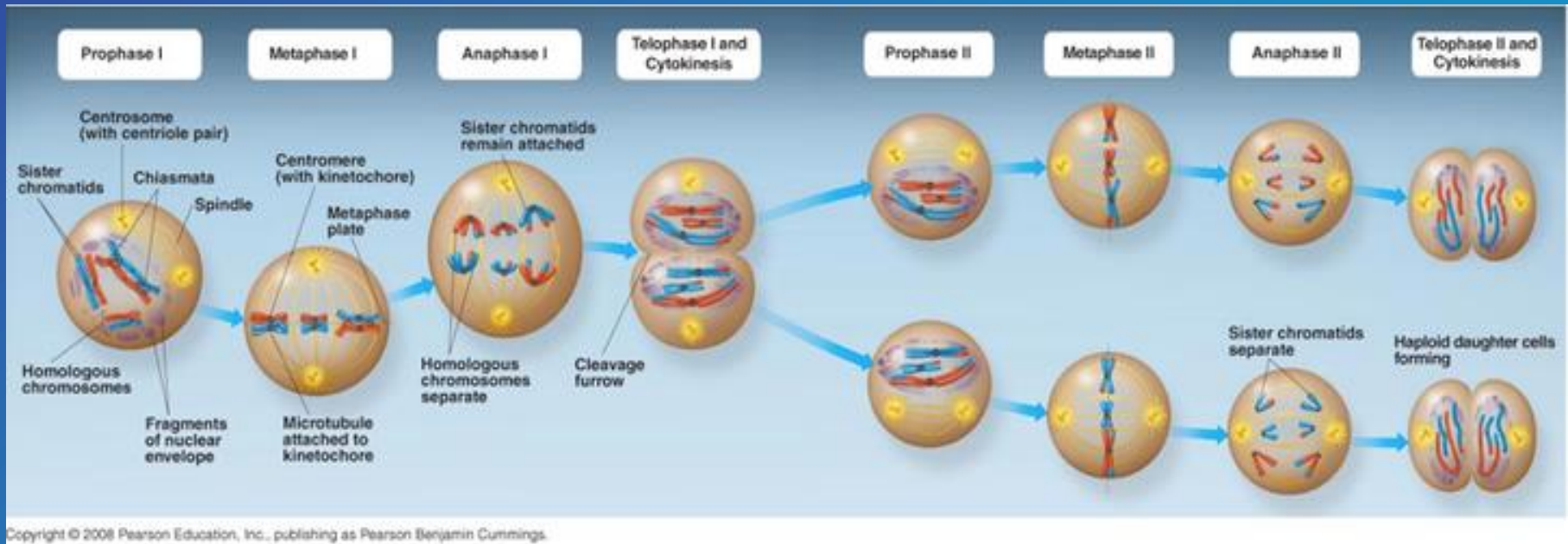


Differences in Mitosis & Meiosis

- Mitosis
 - Asexual reproduction
 - Cell divides once
 - Two diploid daughter cells
 - Genetic information is identical to original cell
- Meiosis
 - Sexual reproduction
 - Cell divides twice
 - Four haploid daughter cells
 - Genetic information is different from original cell

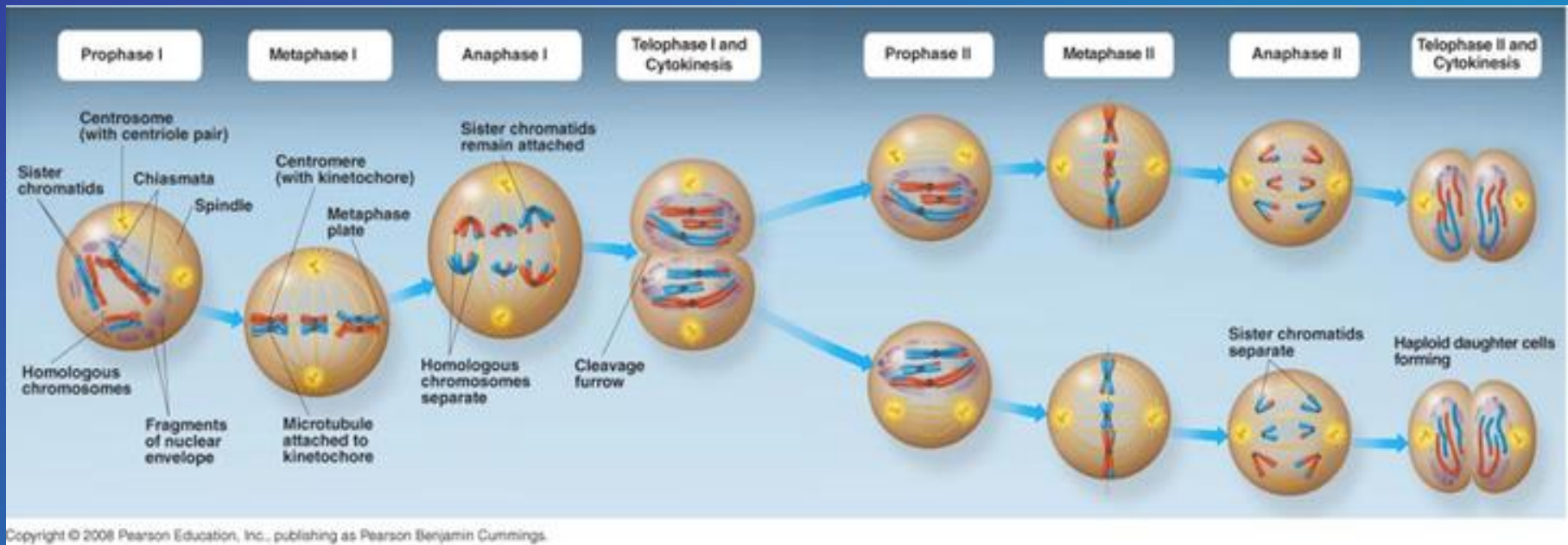
Differences in Meiosis I and Meiosis II

- Meiosis I
 - Crossing over in prophase
 - Homologous pairs align in metaphase
- Meiosis II
 - No crossing over
 - Chromosomes align in metaphase



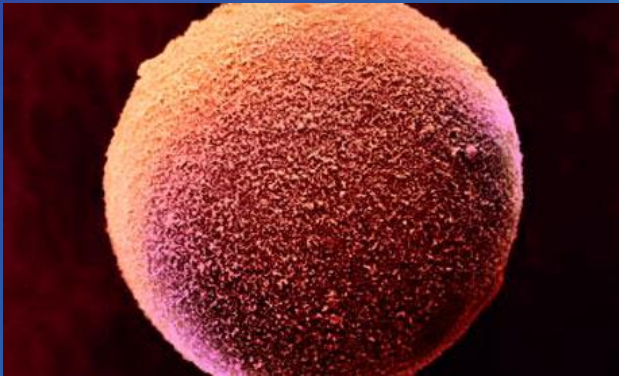
Meiosis In a Nut Shell

- One cell \longrightarrow 4 genetically different cells with $\frac{1}{2}$ the DNA

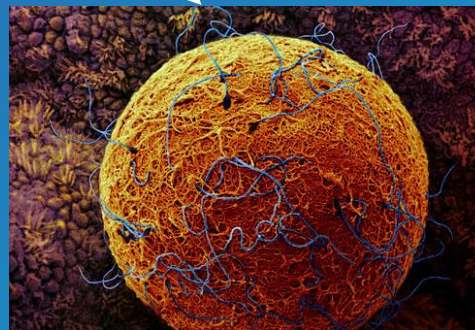


So, What's the Point?

- In females the cells become eggs



- In males the cells become sperm



Mitosis!

