## DNA REPLICATION WORKSHEET

Use chapter 17-2 to help you!

- 1. Why does DNA need to replicate?
- 2. In relation to the pictures below: Explain three main steps in the process of DNA replication. Name the enzymes that go with each step.



- 3. In which direction are new nucleotides added during replication?
- 4. What is the difference between and leading and lagging strand?
- 5. Which enzyme is responsible for "unzipping" the DNA double helix?

- 6. Which enzyme is responsible for facilitating the hydrogen bonding between nucleotides in a new DNA molecule?
- 7. Which enzyme is responsible for creating the covalent bonds (specifically phosphodiester bonds) that connect the sugar-phosphate backbone of the new DNA molecules?
- 8. Below is a single strand of DNA. Below each letter write the complementary strand of DNA. A - T - G - C - G - G - C - G - A - T - T - T - A - A - G - C
- a. In the box A below, fill in the complementary strand of DNA to create a double strand.
  b. Next to the box, using two different colored pens/pencil, create two new strands from the original strand in the box A. Label which color represents the original strand and which color represents the new strand.



- 10. Describe the origin of each strand of the new double helices created after DNA replication.
- 11. Why do you think DNA replication important to the growth and development of a multi-cellular organism?
- 12. What do you think would happen if the process occurred incorrectly?