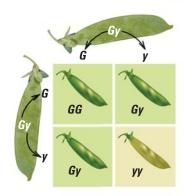
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EXAMPLE 4

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- **40. PEA PLANTS** In pea plants, the gene *G* is for green pods, and the gene y is for yellow pods. Any gene combination with a G results in a green pod. Suppose two pea plants have the same gene combination Gy. The Punnett square shows the possible gene combinations of an offspring pea plant and the resulting pod color.
 - **a.** What percent of possible gene combinations of the offspring plant result in a yellow pod?
 - **b.** Show how you could use a polynomial to model the possible gene combinations of the offspring.

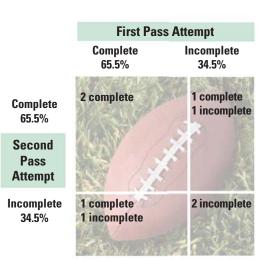
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- **MULTIPLE REPRESENTATIONS** In humans, the gene s is for straight thumbs, and the gene *C* is for curved thumbs. Any gene combination with a C results in a curved thumb. Suppose each parent has the same gene combination Cs.
 - **a. Making a Diagram** Make a Punnet square that shows the possible gene combinations inherited by a child.
 - **b. Writing a Model** Write a polynomial that models the possible gene combinations of the child.
 - **c. Interpreting a Model** What percent of the possible gene combinations of the child result in a curved thumb?

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- **42.** \nearrow **SAMETRESPONSG** In ball pythons, the gene N is for normal coloring, and the gene a is for no coloring, or albino. Any gene combination with an N results in normal coloring. Suppose one parent python has the gene combination *Na* and the other parent python has the gene combination aa. What percent of the possible gene combinations of the offspring result in an albino python? *Explain* how you found your answer.
- **43. FOOTBALL STATISTICS** During the 2004 regular season, the San Diego Chargers' quarterback Drew Brees completed 65.5% of the passes he attempted. The area model shows the possible outcomes of two attempted passes.
 - **a.** What percent of the possible outcomes of two attempted passes results in Drew Brees's throwing at least one complete pass? *Explain* how you found your answer using the area model.
 - **b.** Show how you could use a polynomial to model the possible results of two attempted passes.



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