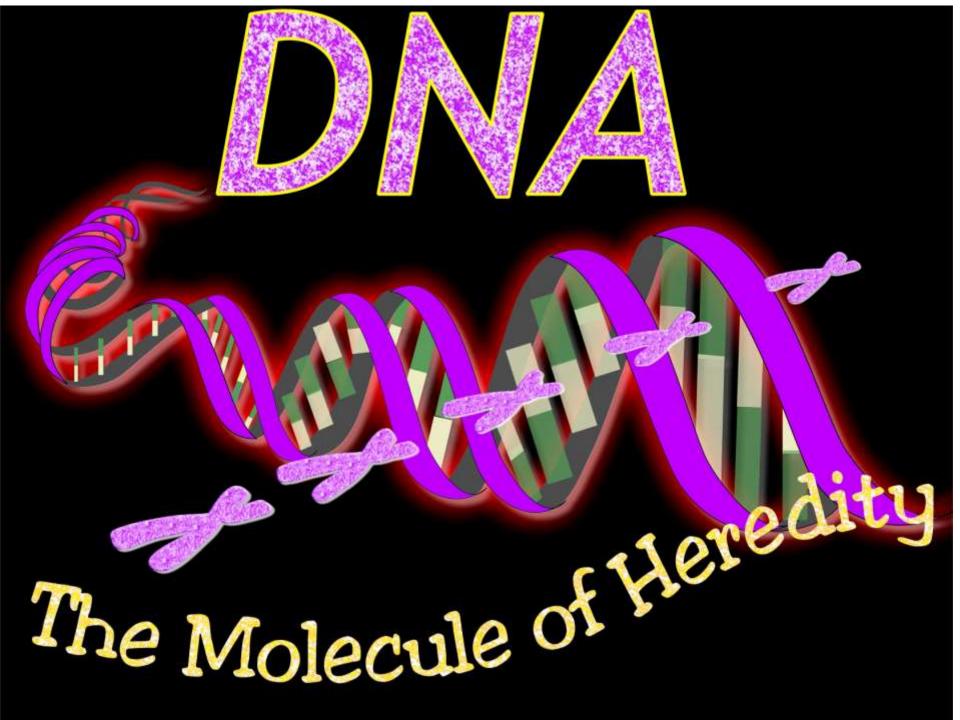
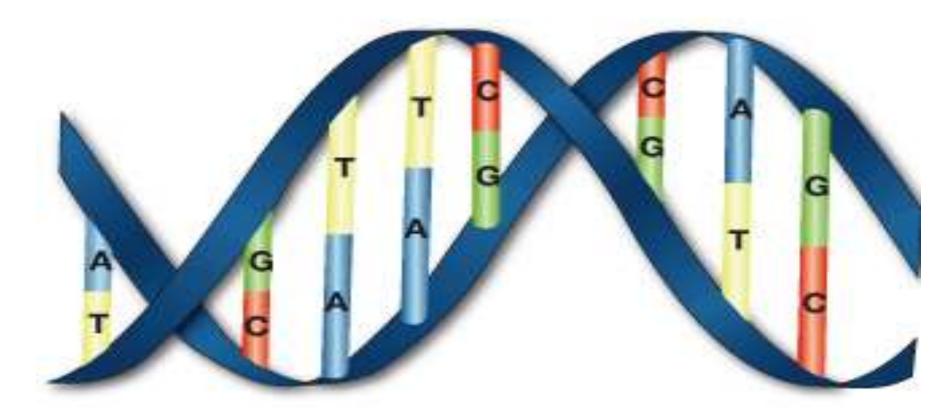
Protein Synthesis

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Thymine (Yellow) = T Guanine (Green) = G Adenine (Blue) = A Cytosine (Red) = C

DNA is a very long molecule that looks like a twisted ladder.

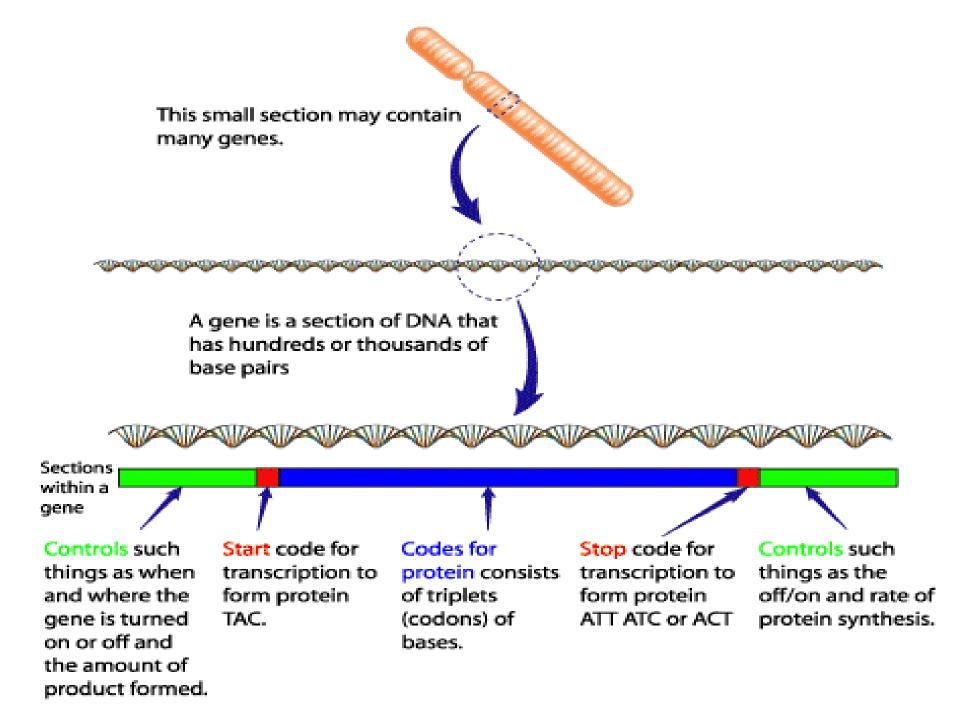
It is made up of 4 different subunits called **nucleotides** which can be arranged in any order

The bases are complementary

• DNA has two strands.

• The strands are stuck together by the complementary bases.

- Adenine to Thymine **A-T**
- Cytosine to Guanine C-G



It is the **Sequence** of bases that act like a code

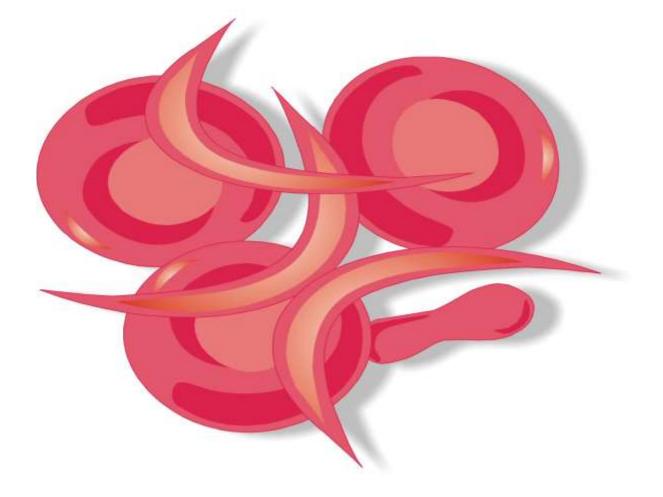
The sequence (order) of bases tells the cell what proteins to make.

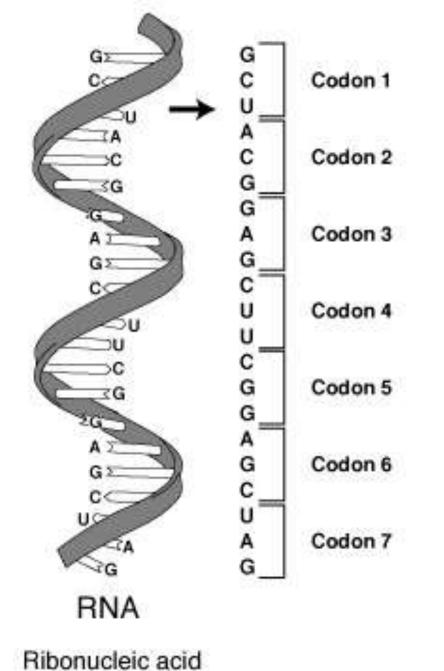
The sequence of bases dictates the sequence of amino acids, which determines the shape of a protein.

If the protein is the wrong shape it will not work properly (it may work differently)

So if the sequence in the DNA is wrong it may result in a genetic disease

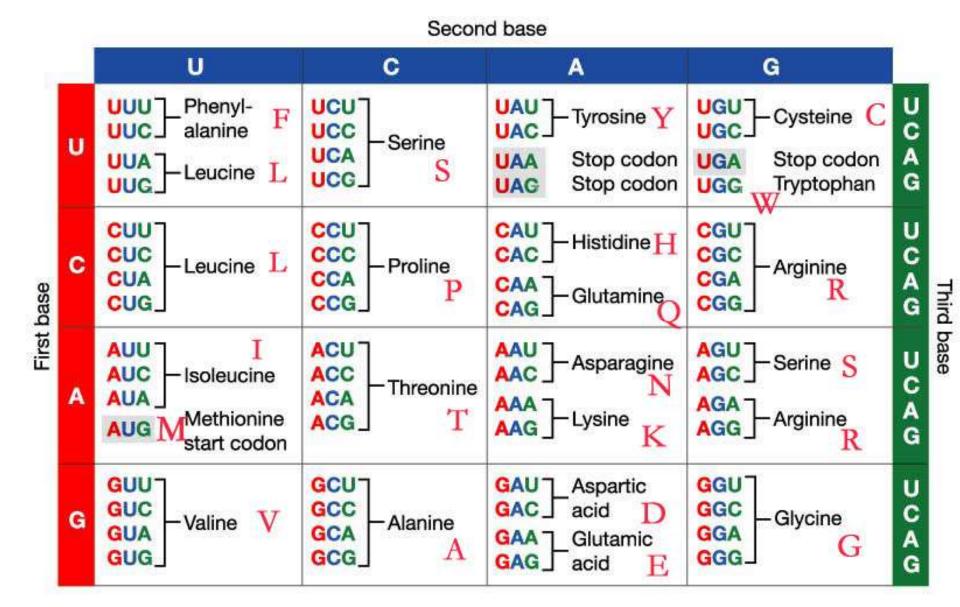
Sickle cell anaemia is caused by one change in the DNA base code



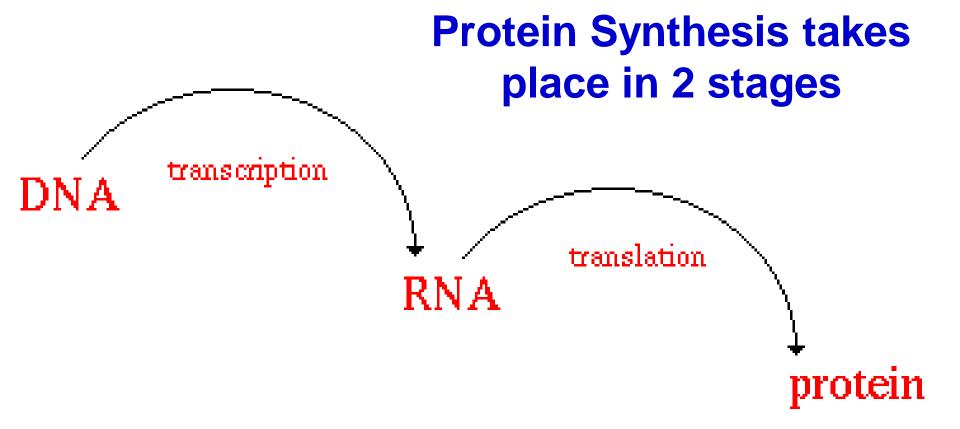


It is a triplet code.

It takes 3 bases to code for one amino acid



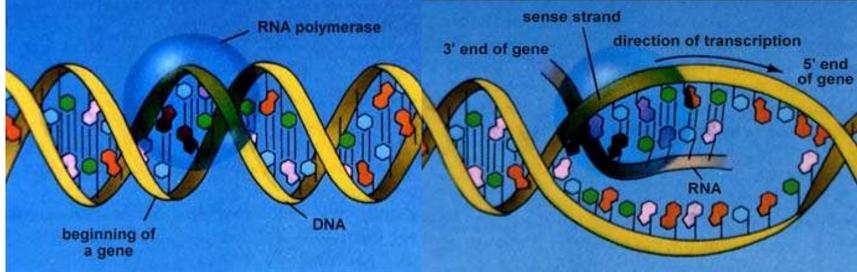
Each triplet codes for a different amino acid.



DNA carries the code for every protein that can be made by a cell.

A gene is a length of DNA which codes for a particular protein

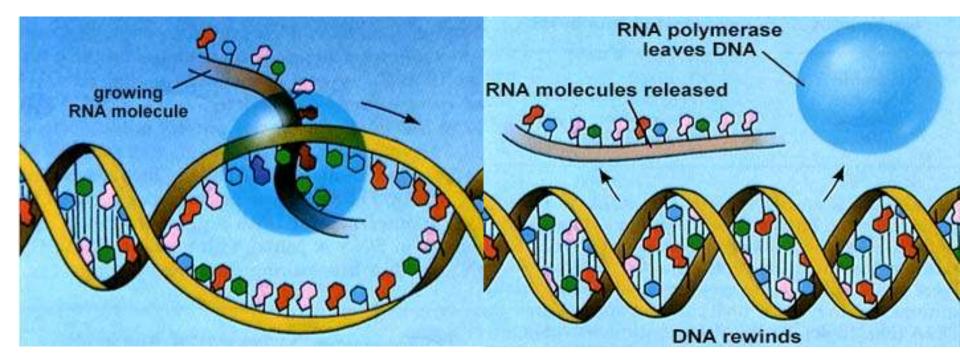
Transcription 1 (making a messenger RNA copy of DNA)



·Part of the DNA molecule (the gene) unzips

An RNA copy is produced, by matching complementary bases

Transcription 2

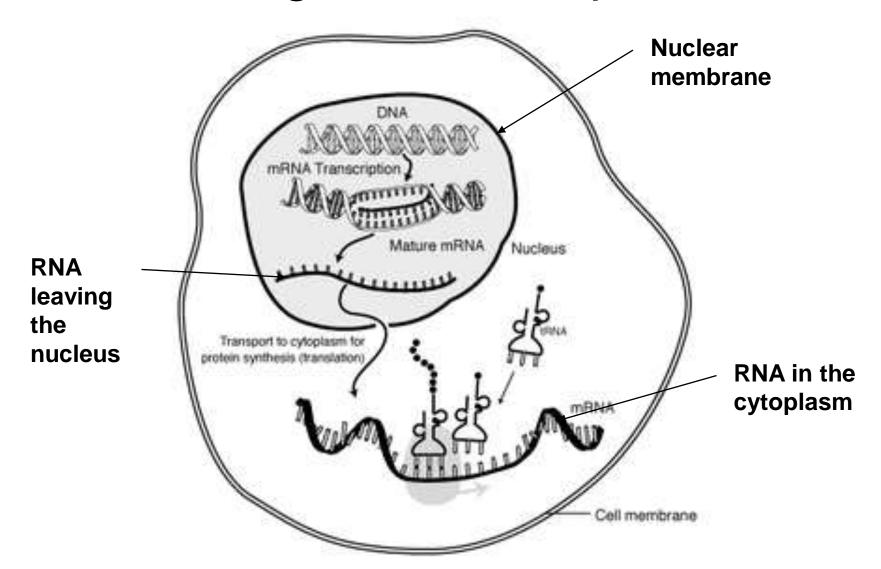


•The mRNA copy is made with the help of RNA polymerase.

Complementary base pairing

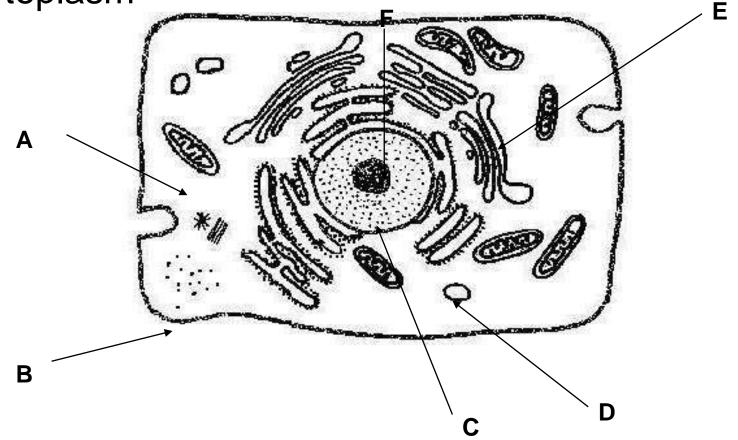
DNA Base	Complementary RNA Base
G	С
С	G
Α	U
T	Α

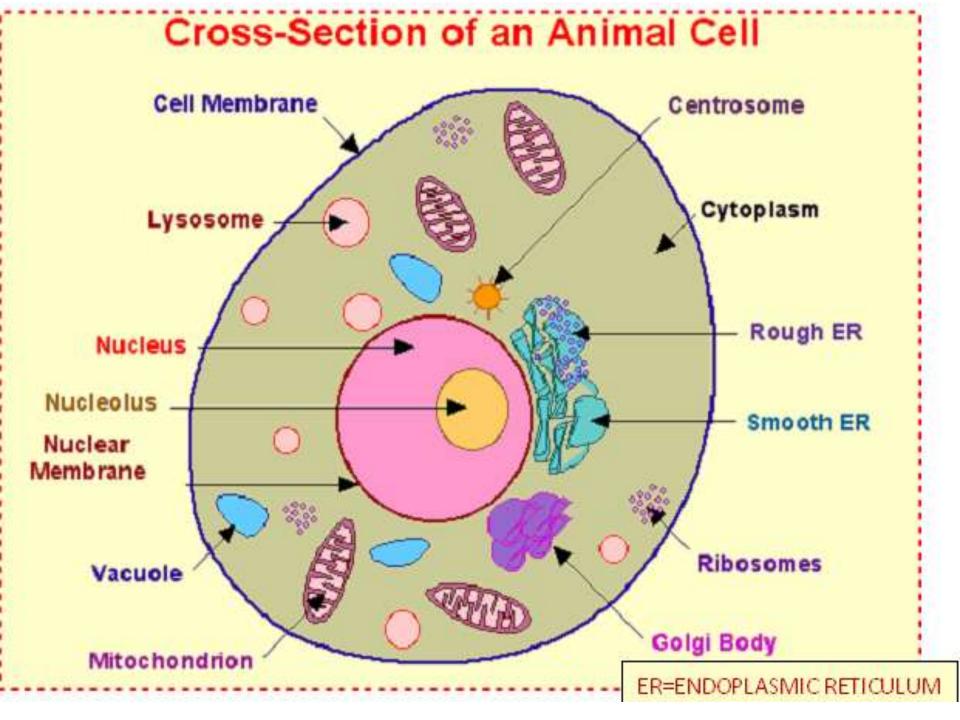
The m-RNA leaves the nucleus through a nuclear pore



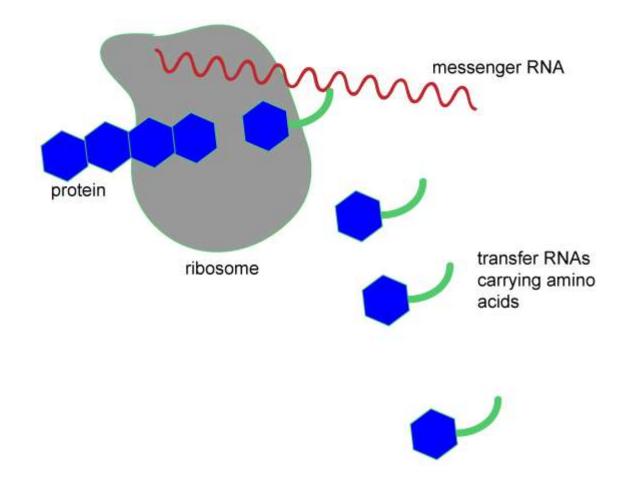
Translation

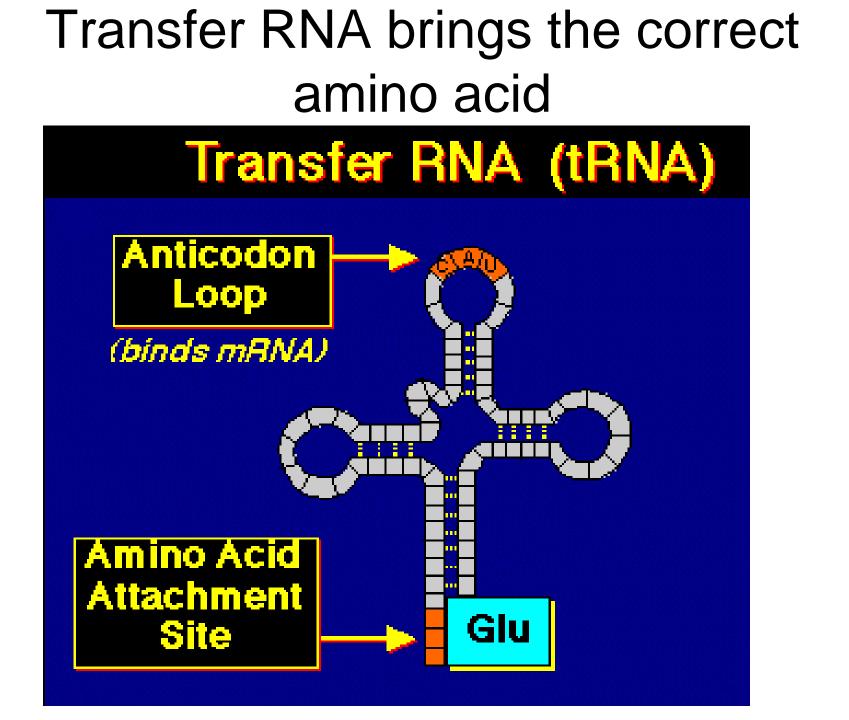
 The m-RNA goes to the Ribosomes in the cytoplasm





The ribosomes read the code and join the amino acids together





Translation - animation

