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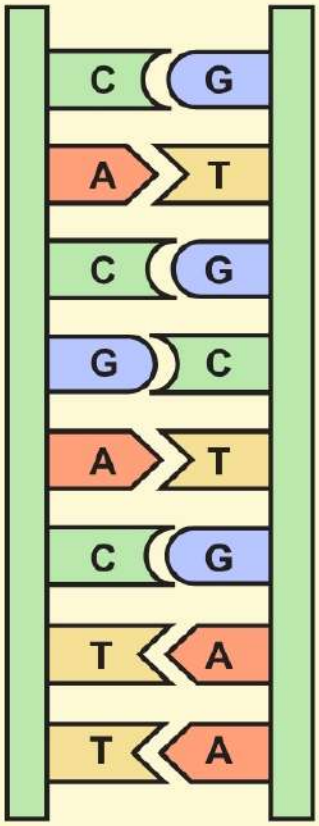

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Answer Sheet

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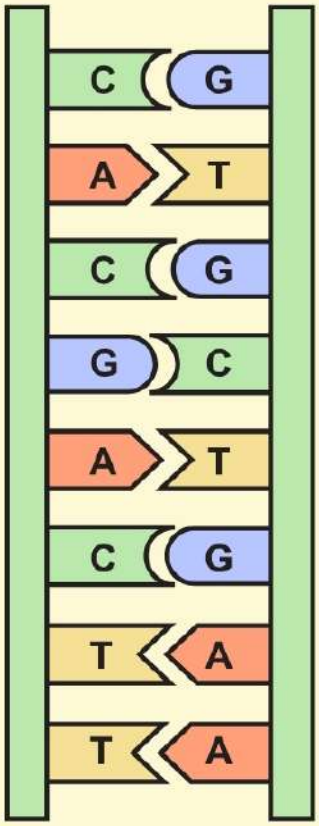
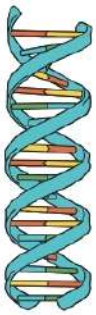


What is the function of the sugar–phosphate backbone in the DNA molecule?

The sugar–phosphate backbone provides structural support for the DNA molecule. It forms the outer sides of the double helix

How would you describe the shape of DNA?

DNA has a double helix shape, like a twisted ladder



How do the bases in DNA pair with each other?

- **DNA follows a complementary base-pairing rule.**
- **Adenine (A) always pairs with Thymine (T).**
- **Cytosine (C) always pairs with Guanine (G).**
- **These base pairs are held together by hydrogen bonds.**

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