

Demonstrate understanding of gene expression

Protein Synthesis Overview

Cut the boxes out and place them into the correct order to show how protein synthesis occurs.

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The ribosome moves along the mRNA one codon. The first tRNA is released without its amino acid.	B
When the ribosome reaches a termination codon the ribosome leaves the mRNA and protein synthesis is complete.	C
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The ribosome moves along the mRNA one codon. Again the tRNA is released without its amino acid.	E
The next step is for a second tRNA to approach the mRNA and match with the second codon on the mRNA.	F
A peptide bond forms between the amino acids.	G
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The completed amino acid chain is now ready to be folded into a functional protein.	I
This process called translation continues and causes the amino acid chain to grow.	J
The mRNAs migrate from the nucleus into the cytoplasm.	K
The next matching tRNA brings in the next amino acid.	L

Answers

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