Lab: Protein Synthesis

Driving Question: How does the DNA code make proteins ("flesh and blood")?

Learning Goals:	Advanced	Proficient	Partially Proficient	Not Yet Proficient
Describe the major steps in DNA transcription. Describe the major steps in translation. Describe the role of DNA, RNA polymerase, mRNA, ribosomes, and tRNA. List the differences between RNA and DNA.	In addition to meeting the "Proficient" criteria: - Video quality is clear and easy to follow. - Practice is apparent and a script was written - Additional details are included TATA box RNA processing (GTP and poly-A tail) 3'>5' antiparallelism - Analogies are used to help explain the process	 Transcription is described accurately, including the role of RNA polymerase and base pairing rules. The location of DNA and mRNA is described in context The differences between DNA and mRNA are described. The video shows how the mRNA goes to the ribosome to be translated. The process of translation is described fully including the role of tRNA, codons, anti-codons, and amino acids. The mRNA codon chart is explained, including the start codon (AUG). All materials are used appropriately and accurately. 	Some errors in the process or parts of the process are missing.	Large holes in the process or large errors.

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	Prompts:
	Video Project Guiding Questions
	Use these questions below to help you form your script.
1.	The purpose of protein synthesis is to create a
2.	The process of transcription occurs in the(part of the cell).
3.	What does the gold "strand" represent?
4.	What enzyme is responsible for transcription?
5.	What is the product of transcription?
6.	What are the 3 parts to an RNA nucleotide?
1.	What is the sugar found in RNA?
	Where does mRNA go after being created?
3.	What cell part helps make the amino acid chain?
4.	What type of bond holds the amino acids together?
5.	What is the purpose of tRNA?
6.	What codes for the specific amino acid that will be brought to the mRNA?
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1.	What is the anticodon?
2.	The process of translation translates the into a