

Biology 155a
Project Laboratory in Genetics and Genomics
Writing Assignment 1

What's a gene?

Write a brief, one-page essay answering the simple question, "What's a gene?"

Everyone has a notion of what a gene is. Please describe your conception of a gene in your own words. Do not use outside sources for this assignment or look up a definition on the internet or in a textbook. I am more interested in hearing how you would define a gene based on your previous classes and everyday experiences.