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Black & White Twins Article Opinion

Upon reading this article I found myself stunned that this was something that was possible. I didn't know that a mixed-race couple could have twins of different color. I know the odds are a million to one but this is still really interesting. The skin-color is determined by up to seven different genes working together. I did not previously know that there are possibilities of the egg or sperm containing gene coding for one skin color. Which explains how this family produced one white skin baby and one black skin bab ing this was a genetic fluke simply because both parents are of mined ray was intriguing. In the article it says "What makes the a white twin, there have to be four of these rare odds astronomical single-face sperm and egg cells, and then the "black" and "white" eggs have to be fertilized by the sperm cell of the same "color". What makes this statement so profound is that most of us wouldn't even realize this is ultimately what occurred in order for this to happen. And upon reading the mother's reaction to her children's appearance after birth it's safe to say this assumption is correct. I do find this to be a perfect example of skin color meaning very little about a person. I also wasn't previously aware that mixed race individuals have genetic code for both light and dark skin in their genes. I knew this to some degree but I also never realized the scope of this and the magnitude of rare cases such as this one.