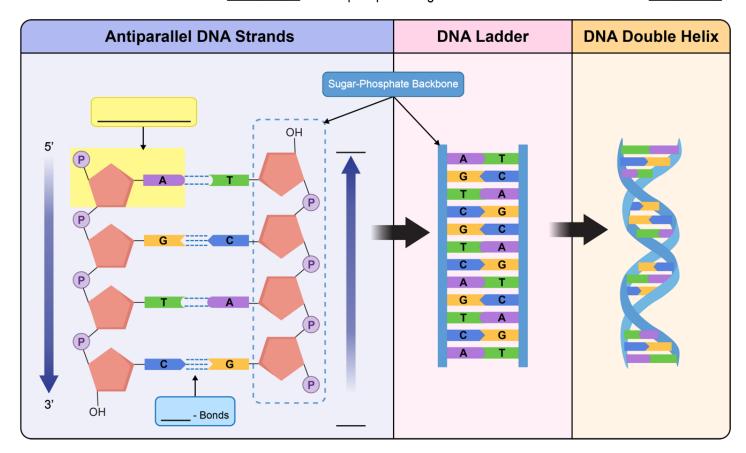
## **CONCEPT:** DNA DOUBLE HELIX

• Rosalind Franklin, James Watson & Francis Crick are credited with helping to describe the structure of \_\_\_\_\_.

□ \_\_\_\_\_-helix with \_\_\_ anti-parallel strands of nucleotides.

- Anti-parallel: 2 strands that run parallel to each other but with \_\_\_\_\_\_ directions.

□ Double helix resembles a ladder: phosphate-sugar backbone on the sides and bases



**EXAMPLE**: Predict the sequence of bases in the DNA strand that is complementary to the DNA strand shown below:

5' C-G-A-A-A-C-T-C-C-T-A 3'

3' \_\_\_\_\_\_ 5

## **PRACTICE:** Which of the following statements is false?

- a) The nitrogenous bases extend inward within the double helix.
- b) The two polynucleotide strands in the DNA double helix are identical to one another.
- c) Hydrogen bonding occurs between the two polynucleotide strands within DNA.
- d) The complementary strand of DNA segment of 5' GCATTCAT 3' would be 3' CGTAAGTA 5'.
- e) Phosphate groups and sugars form the backbone of the DNA double helix.