Designing primers for PCR

PCR tutorial

http://www.sumanasinc.com/webcontent/animations/content/pcr.html

- 1. What is a PCR reaction? What can we do with the product?
- 2. What are the basic rules for creation of primers?
- Find genomic sequence for a certain gene
 (<u>http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gene?term</u>). What does an NG accession
 number in GeneBank database stand for?
- Use Primer Blast (<u>https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/tools/primer-blast/</u>) software for primer creation. Paste the sequence in FASTA form. (what is a FASTA form?)
- 5. Explain parameters: primer size, Tm, %GC, ...
- 6. What are hairpins and primer dimere?
- 7. What is a difference between PCR and RT- PCR. Is there a difference in template for the reaction? Is there a difference in final product usage?