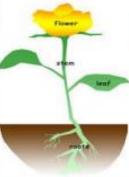
Year 3/4 – Plants

Functions of the main parts of a plant



The main parts of a plant	FlowersLeavesStemRoots
Flowers	They have colour and smell to attract insects
Leaves	They change carbon dioxide and water into: Food for the plant Oxygen
Stem	They hold the plant up and carry water from the roots to the rest of the plant
Roots	They hold the plant in the ground and soak up water and minerals from the soil

Sometimes plants bear fruits. Fruit is the part of the plant we often eat but its main job is to keep the seeds safe.

How plants grow and survi	
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To grow and survive plants need:

- Light
- Water
 Carbon Dioxide

This is so that they can make their own food

Warmth

This is because if plants get too hot or too cold they will die.

How does a plant get water?

The roots take up water from the soil. The water travels through the stem of the plant to the leaves.

	Key Vocab			
1	Petal	A way to describe something		
2	Stamen	The male part of a flower containing pollen		
3	Carpel	The female part of a flower containing an egg		
4	Fertilisation	When pollen and an egg join together to make a seed		
5	Dispersal	Spreading things over a wide area		
6	Pollen	A powdery yellow substance from the male part of a flower		
7	Nectar	A sweet fluid in flowers that attracts insects		

What jobs do they do?



Roots

Where do we find the roots of a plant?

They grow underneath a plant, below the surface of the soil.

Roots are usually long and are covered in small hairs.

The roots anchor the plant in the ground.

They absorb water and nutrients from the soil.



Stem or Trunk

What is a stem or trunk?

Branches, leaves and flowers grow from the stem or trunk.

A trunk is woody, and often has a layer of bark around it.

What job does it do?

The stem or trunk holds the plant up.

It also carries water and nutrients from the roots to the leaves.

What jobs do they do?



Leaves

What job do leaves do?

The leaves make food for the plant using sunlight and carbon dioxide from the air.



The job of

Flowers

Flowers are brightly coloured to attract insects and birds.

The insects carry pollen to other flowers

Flowers use the pollen to make seeds to grow new plants.

How does pollen get from one plant to another?

Insects

The insect goes to the first flower looking for nectar.

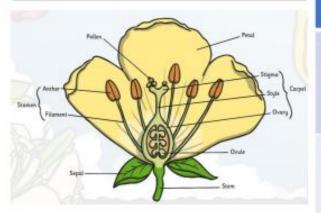
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Wind

Pollen is blown from one flower to another



Parts of a Flower



The Importance of flowers

The flower exists to make

the flower	new plants The flower contains pollen and eggs which make seeds The seeds grow into new plants	
Parts of the flower	Petal Stamen (the male part of a flower) Carpel (the female part of a flower)	
Pollination	For a plant to grow a new seed, pollen needs to get to its carpel from another plant	
Fertilisation	When the pollen joins the egg of the new flower a seed or many seeds are formed	

How do the new seeds get to the soil to grow?

Vind	The seeds are blown by the wind	Se TIT
Animals	They are eaten by animas and pooed out	
explosion	Dry seed pods split open and shoot out the seeds	

