

**TOPIC 1: PLANT LIFE**

Living things are things in the environment which have lives in them

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**Living things are also divided into two groups namely:**

- Plants.
- Animals.

**Examples of living things according to their groups**

Plants		Animals	
a	Mango plant	a	Insects like cockroaches, house flies
b	Banana plant	b	Cows, dogs, pigs, goats
c	Rose plant	c	Man
d	Pawpaw plant	d	Birds like hens, doves, pigeons

**Characteristics of living things.**

- Living things breathe.
- Living things Move.
- Living things grow.
- Living things feed.
- Living things reproduce.
- Living things pass out waste.
- Living things respond to stimuli.

**Differences between plants and animals**

Plants	Animals
They have chlorophyll	They do not have chlorophyll
They make their own food	They do not make their own food
They do not move from one place to another	They move freely from one place to another
They respond to stimulus slowly	They respond to stimulus quickly

**ACTIVITY**

1. What are living things?

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2. State any **two** groups of living things found in the environment.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention any **two** characteristics of living things.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. State any **two** common characteristics between plants and animals.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Outline any **two** differences between plants and animals

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Why is a dog called a living thing?

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**LESSON**  
**PLANT LIFE**

**Types of plants**

- Flowering plants
- Non-flowering plants.

**Non- flowering plants**

These are plants, which do not produce or bear flowers.

### Examples of non-flowering plants

- |  |           |               |
|--|-----------|---------------|
| 1. Ferns                                     | 2. Mosses | 3. Liverworts |
| 4. Conifers e.g. pines, cedar, fir, cypress. |           |               |

### Habitats of plants

Habitats of plants refers to the places where plants are found or live.

### Examples of plant habitats

- |            |                   |                 |
|------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Gardens | 3. On other trees | 5. Dry areas    |
| 2. Water   | 4. Wetlands       | 6. Rocky places |

### Characteristics of plants

1. They grow
2. They eat
3. They reproduce
4. They breathe
5. They excrete
6. They respond to stimuli

### ACTIVITY

1. Mention any **two** types of plants.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
2. What are non- flowering plants?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Mention any **two** examples of non-flowering plants.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. State any **two** habitats of plants.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Mention any **two** characteristics of plants.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Mention any **two** examples of plants which grow in the garden.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### 7. Below is a fern plant. Use it to answer questions 7.



- (a) Name the type of plant shown above.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (b) why is fern grouped under non-flowering plants?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (c) State any other **two** examples of plants in the same group with the fern.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

### Flowering plants

These are plants that bear (produce ) flowers.

### Examples of flowering plants

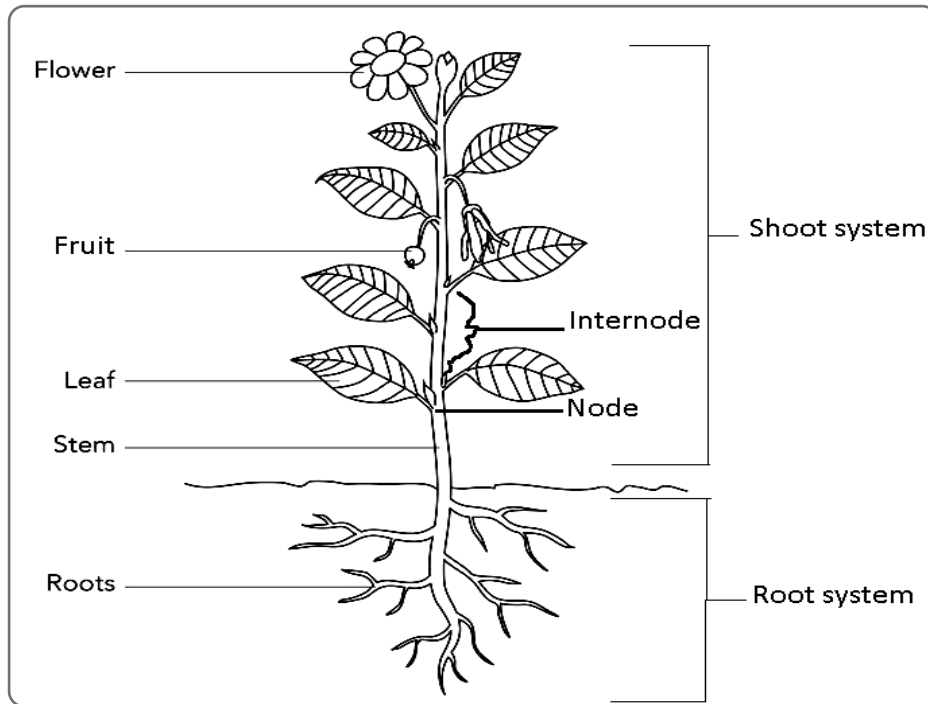
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| 1. Maize    | 5. Cotton  | 9. Jackfruit |
| 2. Paw paws | 6. Mangoes | 10. Acacia   |
| 3. Peas     | 7. Oranges |              |
| 4. Coffee   | 8. Grapes  |              |

All the above plants are grouped under flowering plants because they bear flowers.

## Systems of a flowering plants.

1. Shoot system
2. Root system

## STRUCTURE OF A FLOWERING PLANT



### Shoot system

- The shoot system is the system of the plant above the ground level.
- It develops from the plumule of the seed.

### Parts of a shoot system

- |            |                 |           |
|------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1. Stems   | 4. Internodes   | 7. Fruits |
| 2. Flowers | 5. Branches     | 8. Leaves |
| 3. Nodes   | 6. Axillary bud |           |

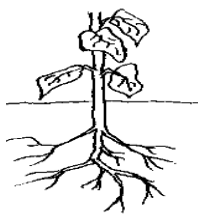
### ACTIVITY

1. What are flowering plants?

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*Below is a diagram of a flowering plant. Use it to answer the questions that follow.*



2. Name **two** systems of a flowering plants shown in the diagram.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. State any **two** parts of a shoot system shown in the diagram.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention any **two** examples of flowering plants in your area.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Suggest any **two** importance of plants to people.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Why is a maize called a flowering plant?

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7. Name the system of the plant above the ground level.

8. State any **two** places where plants can grow.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

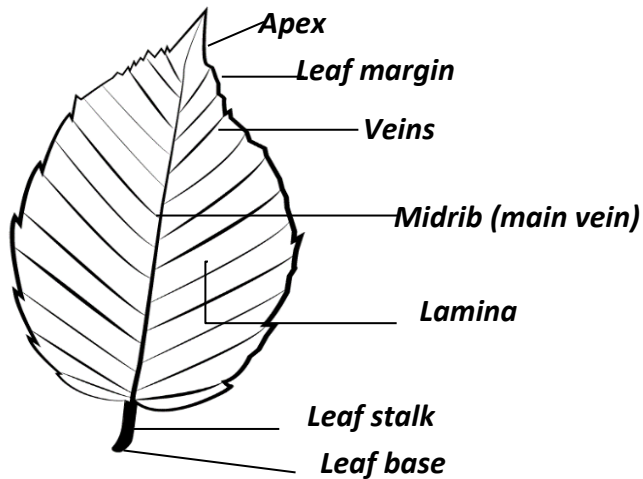
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### LEAVES

Leaves are the expanded part of plants that grow from the plumule.

#### Parts of a leaf



#### Functions of each part

**1. Leaf stalk (petiole):**

To supply water to the leaf from the branch / stem.  
It attaches the leaf on the branch.

**2. Leaf base:**

It fixes the leaf on the stem.

**3. Midrib ,Mid vein:**

It transports water and nutrients from the leaf stalk to veins

**4. Veins:**

- ✓ They supply water and minerals from the mid vein to all parts of the leaf.
- ✓ Collect manufactured food from all parts of the leaf to the mid vein.

**5. Stomata:**

Stomata are small openings (holes) found in the lamina of the leaves.  
They are used for breathing and transpiration.

**6. Lamina (leaf blade)**

For making food / photosynthesis.

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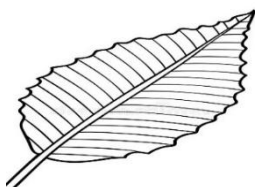
1. Name the expanded part of plants that grow from the plumule.

2. Which part of the plant fixes the leaf on the stem?

3. What name is given to the tip of a leaf?

4. Which part of a leaf is responsible for making food?

5. *Below is a plant leaf. Use it to answer the questions that follow.*



By using arrows, show the following parts of a leaf: apex, veins, lamina, leaf base and leaf margin.

6. State any **two** uses of stomata in tomato leaves.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name the substance which makes a leaf to appear green.

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Mention any **two** plants that we eat their leaves.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Leaf venation

Leaf venation is the arrangement of veins in the leaf.

### Types of leaf venation

**There are two types of leaf venation namely:**

❖ Network leaf venation

❖ Parallel leaf venation.

### Parallel leaf venation

Leaves with parallel venation have many veins which run from leaf stock to the apex and do not cross each other.



Parallel veins

This kind of leaf venation is common in leaves of monocotyledonous plants.

### Examples of plants which have leaves with parallel venation

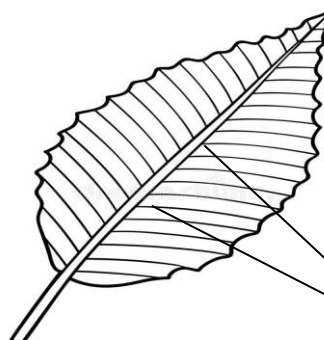
❖ All cereals such as maize, millet, rice, sorghum

❖ Grass

❖ Sugar cane plants.

### Network leaf venation

This is where veins make a net in a leaf as they cross each other.



Network veins

Network leaf venation is commonly found in leaves of dicotyledonous plants.

### Examples of plants which have leaves with network venation

All legumes such as

1. Beans

2. Peas

3. Soya beans

4. Ground nuts

5. Jack fruits

6. Mango plants.

7. Coffee

8. Cotton

9. Lemon

## ACTIVITY

1. What term is used to mean the arrangement of veins in the leaf?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** types of leaf venation.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Define parallel leaf venation.

4. What kind of leaf venation is common in leaves of monocotyledonous plants?

5. Mention any **two** example of cereal crops.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

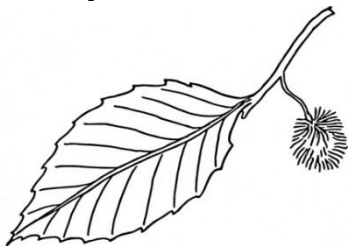
6. Name any **two** examples of plants which have leaves with parallel venation.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. What are network leaf venation?

**Study the leaf below and answer the questions about it.**



8. Name the type of leaf venation shown above.

9. \_\_\_\_\_

10. Sate any **two** examples of plants which have leaves with venation named above.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. **In the space provided below, draw diagrams to show the following leaf venations.**

Network leaf venation	Parallel leaf venation

10. **Name the type of root system found in the plants with the following leaf venations.**

i) Parallel leaf venation \_\_\_\_\_

ii) Network leaf venation. \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Types of leaves

Different plants have different types of leaves.

These types of leaves are grouped according to their sizes and shapes.

### Types of leaves

❖ Simple leaves

❖ Compound leaves

### Simple leaves

A simple leaf is a leaf with one leaflet on the leaf stalk.

### Characteristics of simple leaves

1. They have one leaflet on the stalk.
2. They have one leaf stalk
3. They have one margin

### Kinds of simple leaves

#### 1. Simple entire leaf

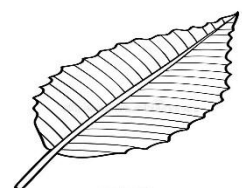
##### Examples




1. Mango
2. Jackfruit
3. Avocados.



#### 2. Simple serrated leaves

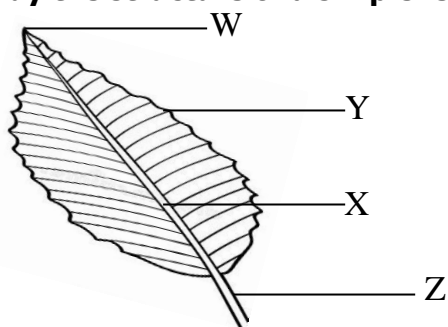
**Example**  
Black jack.



<b>3. Simple palmate leaves</b> Example Pawpaw		<b>4. Simple lanceolate leaf</b> <b>Examples</b> Maize , sorghum , wheat , grass	
<b>5. Simple divided leaf</b>			

### ACTIVITY

- Mention ant **two** types of leaves.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- What are simple leaves?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- Study the structure of a simple leaf below and answer the questions about it.**



- Name the part of a simple leaf marked with letters W, X, Y, Z.  
 a) W: \_\_\_\_\_ c) Y \_\_\_\_\_  
 b) X: \_\_\_\_\_ d) Z \_\_\_\_\_
- State the function of the part marked with letter:  
 i) X: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ii) Z: \_\_\_\_\_
- State any **two** characteristics of simple leaves.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Mention any **two** examples of plants with simple entire leaves.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Apart from maize, mention any **two** other plants with simple lanceolate leaf.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON





#### Compound leaves

These are leaves with more than one leaflet on the stalk.

#### Characteristics of compound leaves

- They have many leaflets.
- They have many leaf stalks.

### Examples of compound leaves.

Examples of compound leaf	Illustration	Plant with such leaf
<b>Compound pinnate leaves</b> They have their leaves branched into small leaf stalk where each bears a leaflet.		acacia. Jacaranda
<b>Compound trifoliate leaves</b> They have three leaf stalks branched into separate structures.		beans, soya
<b>Compound bi-pinnate leaves</b> Their petioles are divided into other small petioles similar to the compound pinnate leaves		
<b>Compound digitate leaves</b> They have leaf stalks branched into separate structures.		Cassava Silk cotton

### ACTIVITY

1. Name the type of leaves with more than one leaflet on the stalk.

\_\_\_\_\_

2. State any **two** characteristics of compound leaves

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. State **two** plants with compound pinnate leaves

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name the type of compound leaf drawn below.



a) Mention **one** other example of plant with the type of compound leaf above.

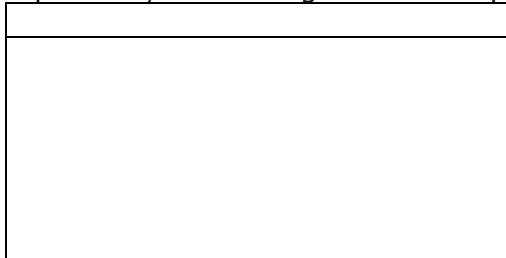
b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) Suggest any **two** processes which take place in the leaves.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. In the space provided, draw a diagram of a compound trifoliate leaf.



6. Mention any **two** crops with the above type of leaf.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Mention any **two** importance of leaves to plants.



- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Uses of leaves to people and animals

1. Some leaves are eaten as food e.g. cabbage
2. Some leaves are grown for sale
3. Some leaves are used for making shelter for man.
4. Some leaves are used for decoration e.g. palm leaves.
5. Some leaves are used for beverage e.g. tea leaves.
6. Some leaves are used for herbal medicines e.g. mango, guavas etc.
7. Some leaves are used for feeding domestic animals.
8. Some leaves are used for making mats.
9. Some leaves are used for mulching garden

### Uses of leaves to plants

1. Leaves help plants for making food (photosynthesis)
2. Leaves help plants for breathing
3. Leaves help plants for transpiration.
4. Some store food as the plants e.g. onions.
5. Some leaves are used for propagation e.g. bryophyllum

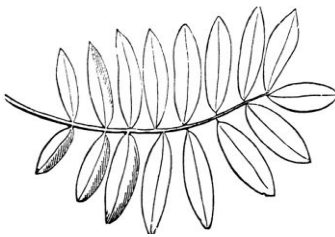
### Processes that take place in leaves

1. Photosynthesis
2. Transpiration

## ACTIVITY

1. State any **two** uses of leaves to people.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Mention any **two** examples of leaves eaten by human beings.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. What term is used to mean the process by which green plant make this own food?  
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4. Mention **one** example of leaf that store food for the plant.  
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5. **The diagram below shows a part of a plant. Use it to answer questions below.**



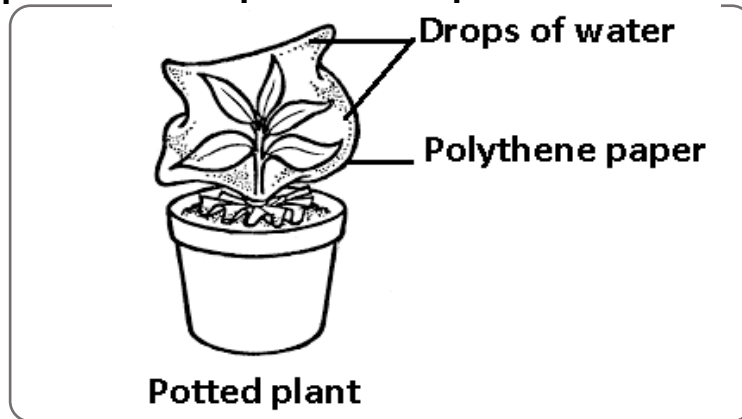
- (a) Name the part of plant shown above.  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - (b) To which system of plant does the above named part belong?  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. State any **two** processes that take place in the part of plant shown above.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
  7. In which **two** ways are the above part important to plants?  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### TRANSPIRATION

Transpiration is the process through which plants lose water in form of water vapour to the atmosphere through leaves.

### An experiment to prove that transpiration takes place in leaves.



### How plants reduce the rate of transpiration

1. By shedding off the leaves in dry season. These plants are called **deciduous plants**.
2. Some plants develop needle like structured leaves
3. Some plants have wax on their leaves e.g. banana plants.
4. Some plants have small leaves.
5. Some plants have thick leaves with few stomata.
6. Some plants have thorns on stems and leaves e.g. cactus, aloe vera.

### Ways in which plants increase the rate of transpiration

1. By developing many leaves
2. Developing broad leaves.

### Factors affecting the rate of transpiration

1. Speed of wind
2. Number of leaves on a plant
3. Size of the leaves:
4. Temperature
5. Humidity
6. Light intensity

### ACTIVITY

1. What is transpiration?

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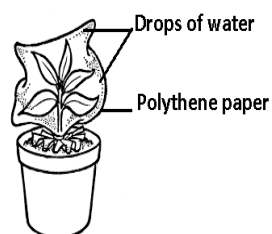
2. What are deciduous plants?

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3. State the process which take place in human being similarly to transpiration in plants.

\_\_\_\_\_

*The diagram below shows a simple experiment. Use it to answer the questions that follow.*



Potted plant

4. What is the experiment about?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. In which group of living things do the process above happen?

\_\_\_\_\_

6. State any **two** factors affecting the rate of the process named in (a) above.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. How can the plants reduce the rate of transpiration?

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Name the small holes found in the lamina which carry out transpiration.

\_\_\_\_\_

9. How do bananas reduce the rate of transpiration?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. Write **two** ways in which plants increase the rate of transpiration

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### How some of these factors affect the rate of transpiration

✓ **Size of the leaves:**

This increases the rate at which water is lost by the number of stomata it may have.

The bigger the leaves, the higher the rate of transpiration.

✓ **Temperature**

Plants lose a lot of water on a hot day than a cool day.

The higher the temperature, the higher the rate of transpiration.

✓ **Humidity**

The higher the humidity, the lower the rate of transpiration.

✓ **Light intensity**

It increases the rate of water loss.

The more the sunlight the higher the rate of transpiration.

**Temperature:** Plants lose a lot of water on a hot day than a cool day.

**Light intensity:** It increases the rate of water loss.

The stomata are open during day and closed at night

**Wind:** The rate of transpiration is very high when it is windy because more water vapour is blown away from the leaf surface.

#### Importance of transpiration to plants.

1. It cools the plants on hot days.
2. It helps the plants to absorb more water from the soil.
3. It helps to provide support to plants with weak stems.

#### Importance of transpiration to the environment.

It helps in rain formation.

### ACTIVITY

1. What is transpiration?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention **any two** factors affect that increase the rate of transpiration.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. State any **two** factors that affect the rate of transpiration.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention **one** way in which the following factors affect the rate of transpiration.

(a) Size of the leaves

\_\_\_\_\_

(b) Temperature

\_\_\_\_\_

(c) Humidity

\_\_\_\_\_

(d) Light intensity

\_\_\_\_\_

(e) Temperature

\_\_\_\_\_

(f) Light intensity

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Mention any **two** importance of transpiration to plants.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. State any **one** value of transpiration to the environment.

## LESSON

### PHOTOSYNTHESIS

Photosynthesis is the process by which green plants make their own food.

Photosynthesis come from two words;

**Photo** : means light.

**Synthesis**: means to make.

Plants have ability to make their own food known as starch because they have chlorophyll.

Plants cannot make their food at night because there is no sunlight.

#### Conditions for photosynthesis

❖ Chlorophyll: traps sunlight energy

Sunlight provides energy to the leaf.

#### The raw materials for photosynthesis

✓ Carbon dioxide

✓ Water

NB: The by- product of photosynthesis is **oxygen**

The product of photosynthesis is **starch**

#### Conditions affecting the rate of photosynthesis

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|----------------|--------------------|----------------|
| 1. Temperature | 3. Light intensity | 5. Oxygen      |
| 2. Sunlight    | 4. Carbon dioxide  | 6. Chlorophyll |

## ACTIVITY

- What is photosynthesis?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- What name is given to the food made by the plants?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- State **one** reason why plants cannot make their food at night.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Write any **two** conditions necessary for photosynthesis to take place.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- What helps plants to traps sunlight energy?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- state any **two** raw materials for photosynthesis.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Name the product of photosynthesis.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Mention any **one** by- product of photosynthesis.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Write down any **two** conditions affecting the rate of photosynthesis.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Stems

A stem is a slender part of a plant that grows from the plumule.

A stem is a main long part of a plant above the ground from which leaves grow.

#### Uses of a stem to a plant.

1. It transports water and mineral salts from the roots to the leaves.
2. A stem transports food from the leaves to other parts of the plant.
3. A stem supports the leaves and branches of a plant.
4. Some stems are used for breathing.
5. Some stems are used for propagation e.g. cassava and sugar cane.
6. Some stems store food for the plants e.g. Irish potatoes, sugar cane.

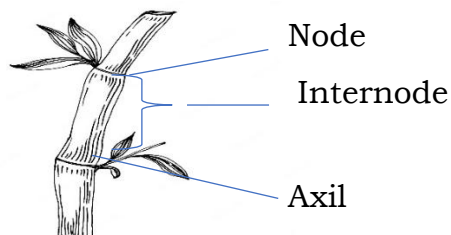
### Uses of stems to people

1. Some stems are eaten. e.g. sugarcane, Irish etc.
2. Some stems are used for firewood.
3. For herbal medicine.
4. For making timber.
5. For building houses

### Uses of stems to other animals

- ❖ Some stems are used as food.
- ❖ Some are habitats for some animals e.g. ants, birds.

### Structure of a stem



- ✓ The axil is the angle between the leaf and the stem.
- ✓ The internode is the region between two nodes on the stem.
- ✓ The node is the point where the leaf is fixed on the stem.

### ACTIVITY

1. What name is given to the slender part of a plant that grows from the plumule?

2. State any **two** uses of stems to the plants.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Give any **two** uses of stems to people.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

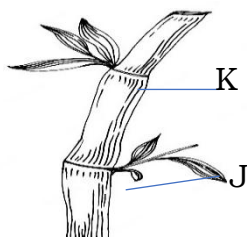
4. State any **two** importance of stems to birds.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. State any **two** parts of plant that develop from the part named in (8).

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

*Below is a part of a plant. Use it to answer questions 7, 8 and 9.*



6. Which part of the plant is shown above?

7. Name the part marked with letter

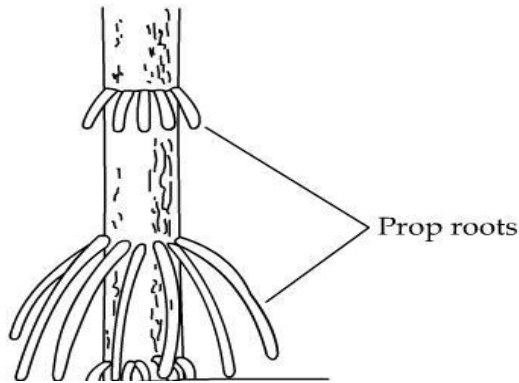
- (a) J \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) K \_\_\_\_\_

8. Which system of plants contains the part shown above?

### LESSON

## Types of stems.

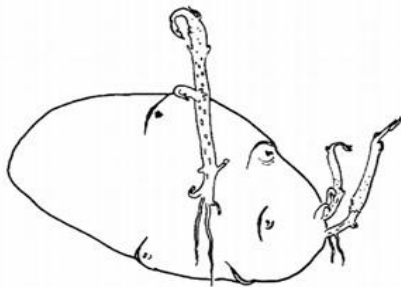
1. Upright stems (Erect stems) e.g. Mangoes, Oranges, Maize.



2. Climbing stems e.g. cucumber, yam, pea plants, morning glory

### 3. Underground stems e.g. stem tubers:

They are swollen underground stems with stored food e.g. Irish potatoes, coco yams.



4. Creeping stems e.g. sweet potatoes.
5. Rhizomes e.g. ginger, curry, turmeric. Rhizomes are horizontal underground stems.

## ACTIVITY

1. Mention any **two** examples of plants propagated by use of stems.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Give another name for storage stems.

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention any **two** examples of plants which store food in their stems.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention any **two** types of stems.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Mention any **two** examples of plants with erect stems.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. What are rhizomes?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. State any **two** examples of rhizomes.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Underground stems

Underground stems are stems which grow in the soil.

These are stems which grow underground and only leaves come out of the grounds.

They are swollen with food stored for the plants.

Underground stems are also called storage stems.

## Kinds of underground stems

1. Stem tubers

2. Rhizomes

3. Corms

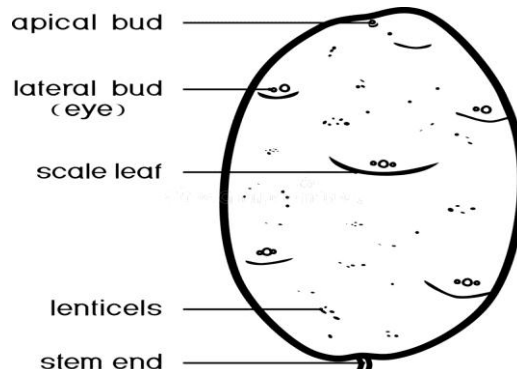
4. Bulbs

### Stem tubers

Stem tubers are swollen underground stems with stored food.

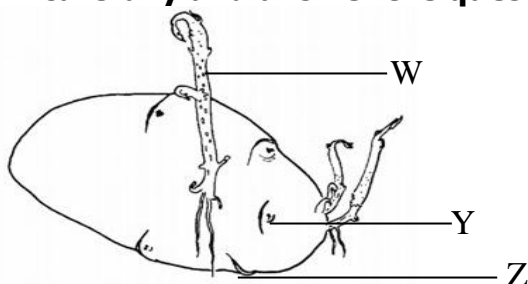
Examples of stem tubers are: Irish potatoes and white yams

### Parts of an Irish potato



### ACTIVITY

1. What name is given to the stems which grow underground and only leaves come out of the grounds?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Why are underground stems called storage stems?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Mention any **two** groups of underground stems.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Mention any **two** examples of stem tubers.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. **The diagram below shows the external parts of the Irish potato. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.**



- a) Name the type of stem shown above.  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - b) Name the part marked with letter W, Y and Z.  
i) W \_\_\_\_\_  
ii) Y \_\_\_\_\_  
iii) X \_\_\_\_\_
6. Which part of Irish potatoes is eaten by us?  
\_\_\_\_\_
  7. State the food value we get from eating Irish potatoes.  
\_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### Bulb

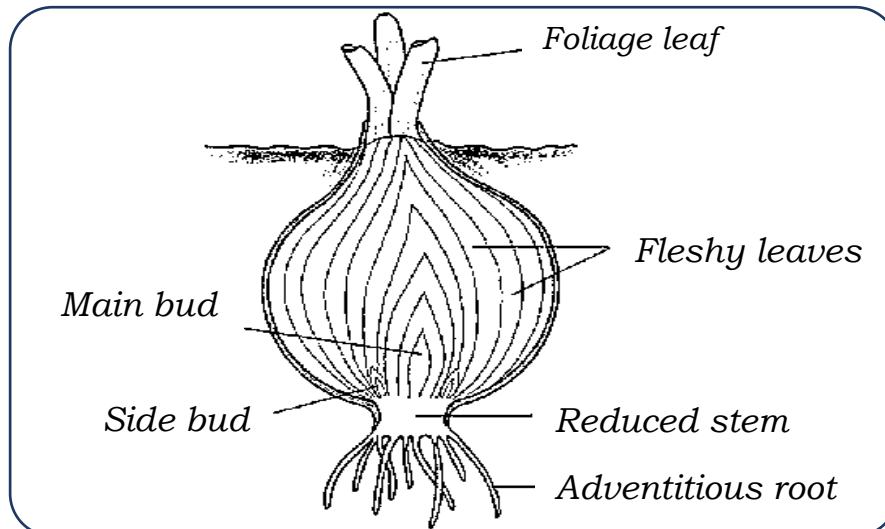
Bulbs have foliage which store food.

They have very many small roots which store food.

## Examples of bulb

onion , garlic

### Internal structure of a bulb



### Function of each part

Foliage leaves make food

Scale leaf protects inner parts

Flesh leaves store food for a plant

Stem is the attachment of leaves and roots

Roots: Absorb water and minerals/support the plant

#### 1) Rhizomes

Rhizomes have swollen stems which store food for the plants

A rhizome is a horizontal underground stem with adventitious roots

#### Examples of rhizomes

Ginger, turmeric, canal Lilly, Zoymeric

#### 2) Corms are short stems with adventitious stems which store food for the plants

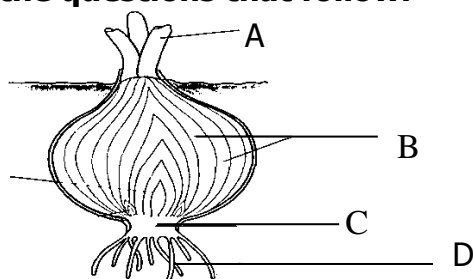
#### Examples of corms

Coco yams

### ACTIVITY

1. What name is given to the swollen underground stems with stored food?

**The diagram below shows the parts of the onion. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.**



2. Name the type of stem shown above.

3. Name the part marked with letters A, B, C, D.

4. Which part of the above plant store food?

5. Name the type of root system found in the onion.

6. Mention any **two** examples of stem tubers

(i) \_\_\_\_\_



(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Apart from onion, mention any **one** other example of bulb.

8. Mention any **two** importance of roots to the bulbs.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON




### Climbing stems

Climbing stems are plants with weak stem e.g. cucumber, white yam, pea plants, morning glory,

### Why do some plants climb others?

1. For support
2. To get enough sunlight energy.

### Ways plants climb others

Methods of climbing	illustration	Example of plants
i) Using tendrils  passion fruits cucumber peas pumpkins	iii) By twinning (clasping)  morning glory sponge plants some beans, tomatoes	By using hooks  Rose flower

## ACTIVITY

1. How are thorns important to the rose flowers?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. What are climbing stems?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. State any **two** reasons why some plants climb others.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Write any **two** methods plants use to climb others.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. In which way are tendrils important to the pumpkins?  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Apart from pumpkins, mention any **two** other examples plants which climb others using tendrils.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. To which group of stems do tomatoes belong?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Root system

Root system is the part of a plant below the ground level.

### Types of roots

1. Primary roots
2. Secondary roots

### Primary roots

These are the roots, which develop from the radicle.

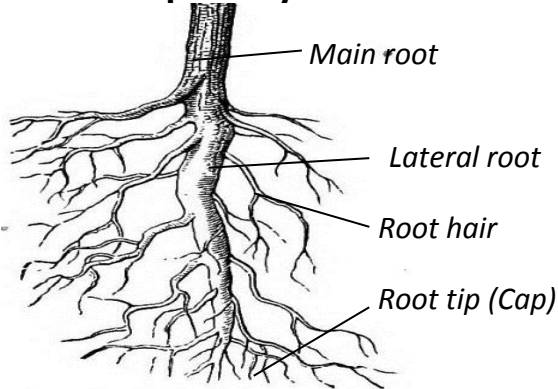
### Examples of primary roots

1. Tap root systems.
2. Fibrous root systems.

### Examples of plants with tap root system.

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|----------------|-----------------|
| 1) Guava plant | 3) Lemon plant  |
| 2) Pea plant   | 4) Coffee plant |

### Part of a tap root system



### Function of each part

- ❖ Main root: supports the plant firmly in the ground.
- ❖ Lateral roots: supports the plant firmly in the ground.
- ❖ Root hairs: suck water and mineral salts from the soil through osmosis
- ❖ Root cap: Protects the tip of the roots  
Helps the root to penetrate through the soil.
- ❖ Root tip: It is growing part of the root.

### ACTIVITY

1. State any **two** types of roots.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Which part of the plant develops from the radicle?

\_\_\_\_\_

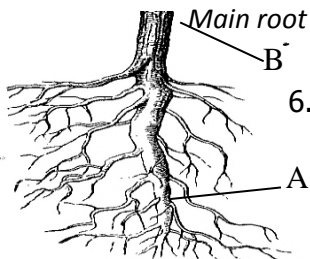
3. State any **two** examples of primary roots

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name any **two** examples of plants with tap root system.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

**The diagram below shows the parts of the plant. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.**



5. Name the part marked with letter A and B.

\_\_\_\_\_

6. How important is the part marked with letter B to the root?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. Name the plant system which grow below the ground level.

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Mention any **two** importance of root caps.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Name the growing part of the plant roots.

\_\_\_\_\_

10. State the main importance of the main root.

## LESSON

### Secondary roots/adventitious roots

These are the roots which develop from other parts of the plant rather than the radicle.

#### Examples of secondary roots/ adventitious roots

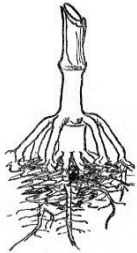
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| 1. Prop roots      | 3. Clasping roots | 5. Buttress roots |
| 2. Breathing roots | 4. Stilt roots    |                   |

#### Plants with secondary roots

The plants below develop secondary roots at their nodes or base of stem

- |                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1. Onion plant  | 3. Pumpkin plant   |
| 2. Banana plant | 4. Pineapple plant |

#### Prop roots:



They are commonly found on mostly monocotyledonous plants. Their main purpose is to give extra support to the plant.

#### Examples of plants with prop roots

1. Barley plant
2. Sorghum plant
3. Maize plant
4. Sugar cane plant

## ACTIVITY

1. Which type of roots develop from other parts of the plant rather than the radicle?

2. State any **two** examples of adventitious roots.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. State the main purpose of the prop roots.

4. State any **two** parts of the plants where secondary roots can grow from.

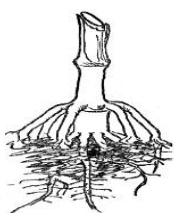
(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Which type of root system is in banana plant?

6. Which part of a maize gives extra support to the plant?

**The diagram below shows the parts of the plant. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.**



a) Name the type of root shown above.

b) Mention any **two** examples of plants with prop roots shown above.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

c) State the main purpose of the structure showed above.

## LESSON

### Root tubers

These are swollen underground roots with stored food.

#### Examples of root tubers

- |                   |            |              |
|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| 1. Sweet potatoes | 3. Carrots | 5. Beetroots |
| 2. Cassava        | 4. Turnips |              |

#### Uses of root to people

1. Some roots are eaten.
2. Some roots are used for making herbal medicine.
3. Some roots are source of income

#### Uses of roots to plants.

1. They hold the plant firmly in the soil.
2. They suck water and mineral salts from the soil.
3. Some roots are used for breathing.
4. Some roots store food for the plant e.g. cassava, sweet potatoes
5. Some roots have nodules which store nitrogen fixing bacteria that adds nitrates in the soil

### ACTIVITY

1. What name is given to the swollen underground roots with stored food?

2. Mention any **two** examples of root tubers

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. In which way is a root tuber similar to the stem tuber?

4. In the space provided below, draw and name any **two** root tuber crops.


5. State any **two** uses of root to people

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Mention any **two** uses of roots to plants.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Mention **two** plants that we eat their roots.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### Flowers

A flower is a reproductive part of a flowering plant.

It is a part of a shoot system where the reproductive cells are produced.

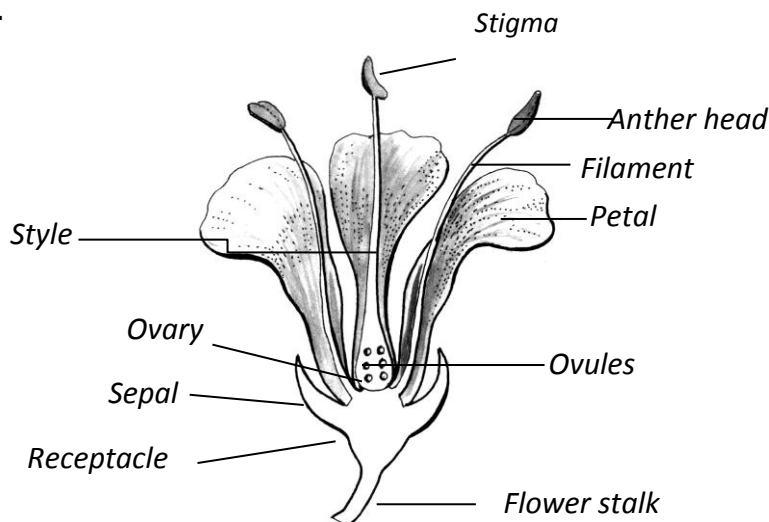
The main reproductive cells produced are ovules and pollen grains.

#### Main importance of flowers to plants

For reproduction.

Flowers majorly produce seeds and fruits.

#### Structure of a flower



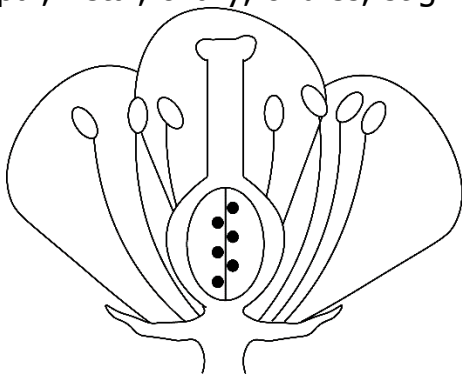
#### Importance of each part of a flower

1. <b>Flower stalk</b>	Holds the flower on the stem
2. <b>Sepals:</b>	They protect other inner parts of a flower.
	They make food for the flower.
	They cover and protect the flower in early flowering stage.
3. <b>Anthers:</b>	Produce pollen grains.
4. <b>Filament:</b>	Hold the anthers in a suitable position.
5. <b>Stigma:</b>	Attracts and receives pollen grains during pollination.
6. <b>Style:</b>	Holds the stigma up right.
	Allows pollen tubes to pass through to the ovary.
7. <b>Petals:</b>	Brightly colored petals attract pollinators e.g. birds, insects.
8. <b>Ovary:</b>	Develops into a fruit after fertilization.
9. <b>Ovules:</b>	Develops in to seeds after fertilization.
10. <b>Stamen:</b>	Stamen is the male part of a flower
<b>Pistil</b>	Pistil is a female part of a flower

### ACTIVITY

#### 1. Complete the diagram below by showing the following parts

Sepal, Petal, ovary, ovules, stigma, anther and stamen



2. Name the reproductive part of a flowering plant.

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3. State the main importance of flowers to plants.

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4. Which part of the flower hold the stigma?

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5. In which **two** ways are sepals important to the flowers?

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6. State the reason why some flowers have bright colored petals.

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7. State the importance of the following parts of a flower.

a) Stigma: \_\_\_\_\_

b) Anther: \_\_\_\_\_

c) flower stalk: \_\_\_\_\_

8. What name is given to the female part of a flower?

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9. Which part of a flower develops into a fruit after fertilization?

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10. Name the part of a flower which develops into seeds after fertilization?

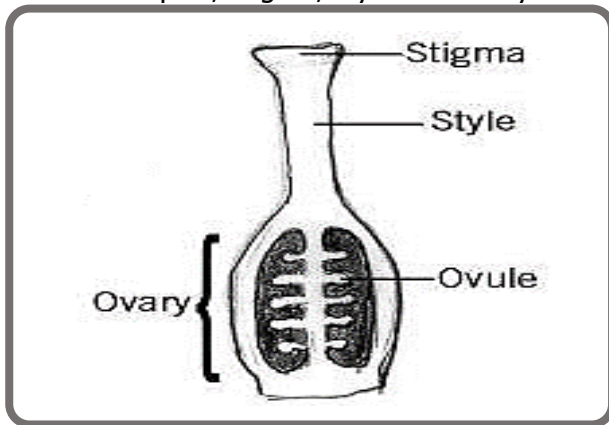
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## LESSON

### THE MALE AND THE FEMALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM OF A FLOWER

#### Pistil

Pistil is the female part of a flower. It is also called carpel.  
It is made up of; stigma, style and ovary.



#### Functions of the parts of a pistil

**Ovary:** It contains undeveloped seeds called ovules.

An ovule is a female gamete

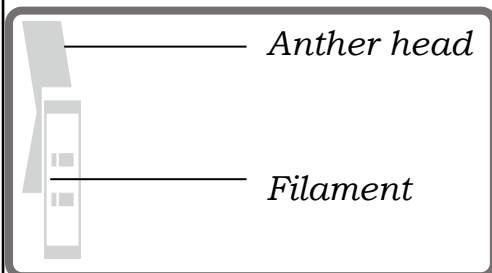
**Stigma:** It receives pollen grains from the anthers.

**Style:** It holds the stigma in position.

#### Stamen:

This is the male part of a flower.

It is made up of the anther head and the filament.



#### Functions of the parts

The anther produces and stores pollen grains.

The filament holds the anther in one position

**NB: -** A general name given to a group of sepals is called **calyx**.

A general name given to a group of petals is called **corolla**.

## ACTIVITY

1. What is a pistil?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** components of a carpel.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. What name is given to the female part of a flower?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Which part of a flower receives pollen grains from the anthers.

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Name the male part of a flower.

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Mention any **two** parts of a flower which makes up a stamen.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. State any **two** uses of anthers to the plants.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. On which part of flower does fertilization take place?

\_\_\_\_\_

9. What general name is given to a group of sepals?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. What do you understand by the word **corolla**?

\_\_\_\_\_

11. What name is given to the fertilized ovary?

\_\_\_\_\_

12. Which part of the flowers turns into seeds after fertilization?

\_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON POLLINATION

Pollination is the transfer of pollen grains from the anther to the stigma of a flower on a plant. Pollen grains can be transferred from the anthers to the stigma by the pollination agents.

### Types of pollination

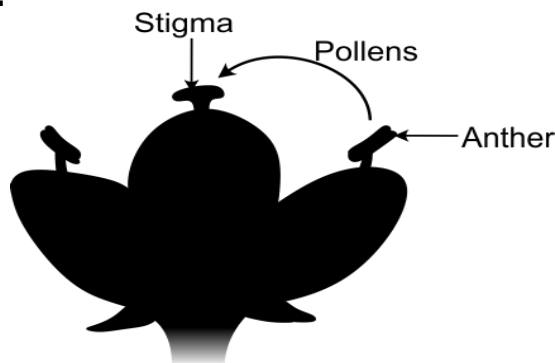
1. Self-pollination.
2. Cross pollination.

### Self-pollination

Self-pollination is the transfer of pollen grains from the anther to the stigma of the same flower or another flower of the same plant.

In self-pollination, the anther heads are taller than the style.

### Movement of pollen grains.



### Plants which carry out self-pollination

❖ Tomatoes

❖ Wild marigold.

### Adaptations for self-pollinated flowers

- ❖ The anthers and stigma mature at the same time e.g. the conifers.
- ❖ The flower remains closed until self-pollination has taken place e.g. the conifers
- ❖ The flower is hermaphrodite i.e. it has both male and female reproductive parts e.g in maize and coconut plants.

## ACTIVITY

1. What is pollination?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. State any **two** types of pollination

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Define self-pollination.

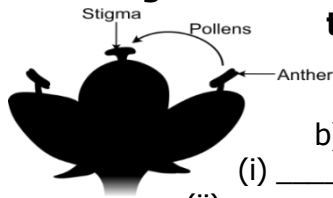
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4. Mention any **two** plants which carry out self-pollination.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. The diagram below shows the parts of the plant. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.



a) Name the type of pollination above.

b) Suggest any **two** examples of flower pollinating agents.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

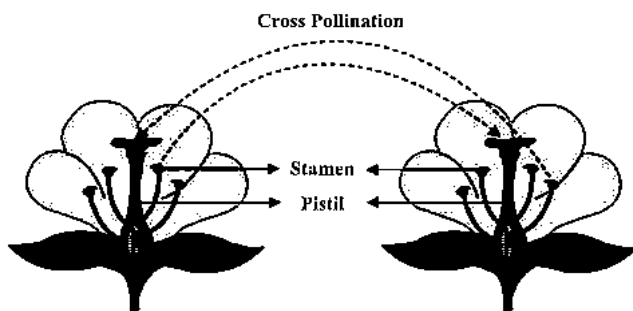
### Cross pollination

Cross pollination is the transfer of pollen grains from the anthers of one flower to the stigma of another flowers of different plants of the same kind.

### Plants which carry out cross pollination

- |            |             |                   |
|------------|-------------|-------------------|
| 1. Maize   | 3. Pawpaw   | 5. Passion fruits |
| 2. Coconut | 4. Cow peas |                   |

### Movement of pollen grains.



### Adaptations for cross pollinated flowers.

- The male and female flowers occur on separate plants e.g. in papaws.
- The male and female parts mature at different times i.e. the stamen may mature first or the pistil.
- The pollen grains cannot germinate on the stigma of the same flower e.g. in passion fruits.

### Difference between self-pollinated flower and cross pollinated flowers.

Self-pollinated flowers	Cross pollinated flowers
1. Pistils and stamen are on the same flower.	1. Pistils and stamen are on different flowers.
2. Large amounts of pollen grains produced.	2. Small amounts of pollen grains produced.
3. Anthers are raised higher than the stigmas.	3. Stigmas are raised higher than anthers.

## ACTIVITY

1. What is cross pollination.

\_\_\_\_\_

2. State any **two** characteristics of self-pollinated flowers.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

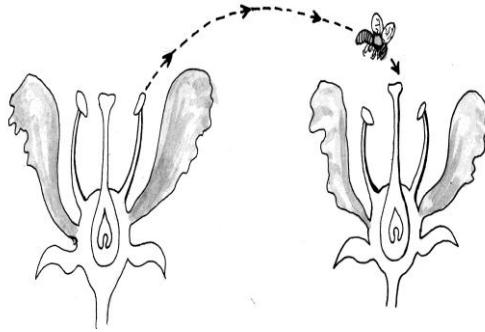
3. Give any **two** characteristics of cross pollinated flowers.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_



The diagram below shows the type of pollination. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.



4. Name the type of pollination shown above.

\_\_\_\_\_

5. State any **two** examples of pollinators which carry out the type of pollination named above.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Mention any **two** plants which carry out cross pollination.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### AGENTS OF POLLINATION

An agent of pollination is anything that carries pollen grains from the anthers to the stigma. Agents of pollination are things responsible for the transfer of pollen grains to the stigma.

#### Examples of agents of pollination.

1. Insects
2. Birds like sun birds, humming birds.
3. Animals like man, bats.
4. Wind
5. Water

Insect pollinated flowers.

These are flowers pollinated by the insects.

#### Examples of insect pollinators

bees, beetles, butterflies, moths

- Moths pollinate flowers at night.

Note: Moths are attracted by the scent of flowers.

#### Diagram of a moth



#### Characteristics of insect pollinated flowers

1. They have brightly colored petals.
2. They have nectar.
3. They are well scented.
4. They are large and seen easily
5. They have broad sticky stigma.
6. They have large, rough and heavy pollen grains
7. The anthers produce few pollen grains.
8. The stamen has short filaments.

## ACTIVITY

1. What do you understand by agents of pollination?

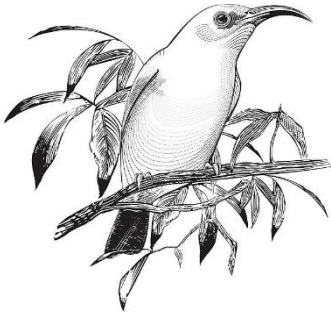
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2. Mention any **two** examples of agents of pollination

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

**The diagram below is of a pollinator. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.**



3. Name the pollinator shown below.

4. Besides the pollinator named above, mention other **one** example of bird which pollinate flowers.

5. Mention any **one** way in which the above bird benefit from the plants.

6. How is the bird above able to suck nectars from the flowers?

7. State any **two** characteristics of insect pollinated flowers.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Suggest any **two** examples of insect pollinated flowers.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. **Below is a structure of a pollinator. Use it to answer questions that follow.**



(a) Name the pollinator above.

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Why is the above pollinator able to pollinate flowers at night?

(d) \_\_\_\_\_

(e) Mention other insect pollinator apart from the above named one.

## LESSON

### Wind pollinated flowers

These are flowers which undergo pollination as a result of wind action.

#### Characteristics of wind pollinated flowers.

1. The flowers are small and not easily seen.
2. The petals have dull colours.
3. The flowers do not produce nectar.
4. They produce a lot of pollen grains.
5. They have small, smooth and light pollen grains
6. They have long feathery stigma.
7. The flowers don't have scent

#### Different between wind pollinated flowers and insect pollinated flowers

Insect pollinated flowers	Wind pollinated flowers
1. Have brightly colored petals.	1. Have dull colored petals
2. Have large petals.	2. Have small petals.
3. Produce scent.	3. Produce no scent.
4. Produce nectar.	4. Produce no nectar.
5. Produce few pollen grains.	5. Produce a lot of pollen grains.
6. Have sticky stigma	6. Have hairy stigma.
7. Have heavier pollen grain	7. Have lighter pollen grains

### Importance of pollination in plants

- ✓ It allows fertilizations to take place in plants
- ✓ It increases the yields of crops if the pollination is evenly done.

Fertilization happens after pollination

### Fertilization :

Fertilization is the union of a male and a female gamete to form a zygote.

In flowering plants, the male reproductive cells are the pollen grains and the female reproductive cells are the ovules

### Events after fertilization

- ❖ Ovules develop into seeds
- ❖ Ovary develops into fruit.
- ❖ The calyx, corolla, stamen and style wither slowly and fall off.
- ❖ In some flowers, the calyx may remain.

### Importance of pollination to the farmers

- ✓ Pollination allows fertilization to take place in farmers' crops.
- ✓ Pollination allows high yield in farmers' harvest

### ACTIVITY

1. What is pollination?

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2. State any **two** characteristics of insect pollinated flowers.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention any **two** characteristics wind pollinated flowers.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Give any **two** importance of pollination in flowering plants.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Define the term fertilization.

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6. Mention any **two** events which take place after fertilization in flowering plants.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name the part of a flowering plants where fertilization take place.

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8. Name the scientific name use to mean the:

- (a) male reproductive cells of a plant. \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Female reproductive cells of a plant. \_\_\_\_\_

9. What do the following parts develop into after fertilization?

- (a) Ovary \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Ovules \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Uses of flowers to people

1. They are used for decoration on various functions.
2. Flowers are used to get insecticides.
3. They serve as a source of income.
4. They are used to get dye.
5. For making perfume.
6. They are used as wreaths.
7. Some flowers are eaten. e.g. Cauliflower
8. Some are used as a sign of welcome (bouquet)

### Uses of flowers to other animals

1. Bees collect nectar and pollen from flowers.
2. Humming birds, sun birds collect nectar from flowers
3. Mosquitoes feed on nectar from flower

### Uses of leaves to a plant

1. For making food (photosynthesis)
2. For breathing
3. For transpiration.
4. Some store food as the plants e.g. onions.

## ACTIVITY

1. State any **two** uses of flowers to people.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
2. State any **two** functions where flowers are used for decoration.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. What are insecticides?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. State any **one** use of insecticides to the farmers.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Name any **two** animals which benefit from the flowers.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Mention any **two** importance of flowers to other animals.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. What do sunbirds collect from the flowers?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Tropism

Tropism is the growth movement of plants in response to the stimulus

Tropism is the plant response towards stimulus.

A stimulus is any change in the environment to which the plant is sensitive.

### Types of tropism

Each type of tropism is named according to the type of stimulus involved.

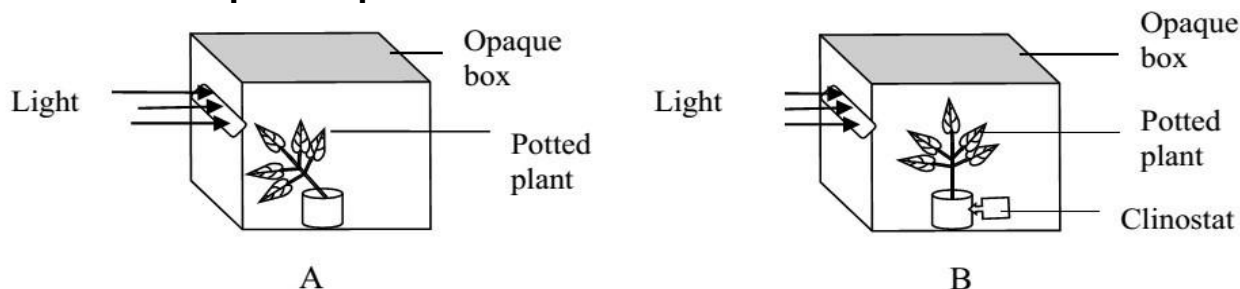
<b><i>Tropism</i></b>	<b><i>Stimuli</i></b>
Phototropism	Light
Geotropism	Gravity force
Hydrotropism	Water / moisture

Thigmotropism / haptotropism	Touch
Chemotropism	Chemicals

### Phototropism

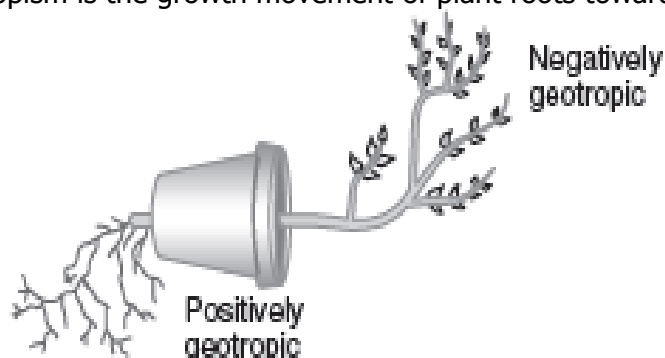
Phototropism is the growth movement of plant shoots towards the source of light. The word **photo** means **light**.

#### Illustration of phototropism



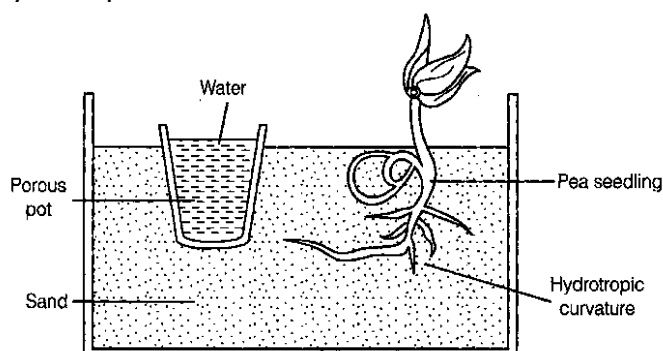
### Geotropism

Geotropism is the growth movement of plant roots towards the gravity.



**Hydrotropism** is the growth movement of plant roots towards the source of water.

Hydrotropism



### Thigmotropism

Thigmotropism/haptotropism is the growth of the aerial plant organ in response to localized physical contacts.

### Chemotropism

Chemotropism is the growth movement of plant or parts of a plant in response to chemical stimulus.

#### ACTIVITY

1. What is tropism?

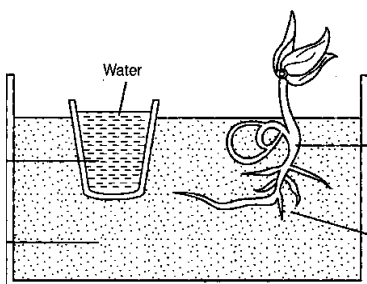
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2. State the type of tropism illustrated below.

3. Name the stimulus for the above tropism.

4. Why do plant roots grow downwards?

5. What term is used to mean any change in the environment to which the plant is sensitive?



Tropism	Stimuli
	Light
	force of gravity
Hydrotropism	
Thigmotropism /	Touch

6. What term is used to mean the growth movement of plant shoots towards the source of light?

7. Which part of plants grow towards the source of

(a) light?

(b) Water?

8. Define the following terms:

(a) Geotropism

(b) Chemotropism

9. Name the stimulus for the following tropism

(a) Hydrotropism:

(b) Thigmotropism:

## LESSON

### Seeds

A seed is a fertilized ovule.

After fertilization, ovules develop into seeds and ovaries develop in to fruits.

### Groups of seeds

**Seeds are classified into two categories:**

❖ Monocotyledonous / monocot seeds

❖ Dicotyledonous / Dicot seeds.

### Monocotyledonous seeds

Monocotyledonous seeds are seeds with have only one cotyledon.

### Examples of monocotyledonous seeds

1. Maize

3. Rice

5. Sorghum

2. Wheat

4. Millet

6. Oats

NB: These seeds are also called **cereals or grains**.

### Characteristics of monocotyledonous seeds

1) They have one cotyledon.

2) They store food in the endosperm.

3) They undergo hypogeal germination.

4) They have parallel leaf venation.

### Maize grain (fruit)

A maize grain is not called a seed but it is a **fruit**.

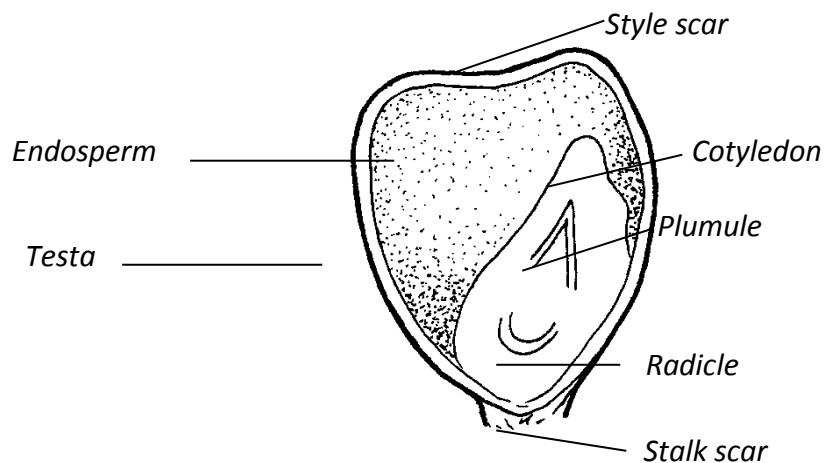
It is called a fruit because it has two scars.

### Scars of a maize grain

❖ **Style scar** is the part where the style was attached.

❖ **Stalk scar** is the part which attaches the grain to cob

### The internal parts of a maize grain / fruit



### Functions of each part.

<b>Testa (seed coat)</b>	It protects the inside parts of the grain.
<b>Radicle</b>	It develops into root system.
<b>Plumule</b>	It develops into shoot system.
<b>Embryo</b>	It grow into a new plant.
<b>Endosperm</b>	It stores food for the embryo.
<b>Cotyledon</b>	It absorbs food from the endosperm to the embryo
	It supplies the food for embryo during germination.
1. <b>Style scar</b>	The part where the style was attached.
2. <b>Stalk scar</b>	It attaches the grain to cob

### ACTIVITY

- What are seeds?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- What are monocotyledonous seeds?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- State any **two** examples of monocotyledonous seeds.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Mention any **two** common characteristics of monocotyledonous seeds.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- State the reason why maize grain is called a fruit.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Mention any **two** scars found on a maize grain.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Write the function of the following parts of a maize fruit.  
(a) Testa (seed coat) \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) Radicle \_\_\_\_\_  
(c) Plumule \_\_\_\_\_  
(d) Endosperm \_\_\_\_\_
- Which part of a maize fruit develops into shoot system?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Name the part of a maize grain which grows into a new plant.  
\_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### DICOTYLEDONOUS SEEDS

Dicotyledonous seeds are seeds with two cotyledons.

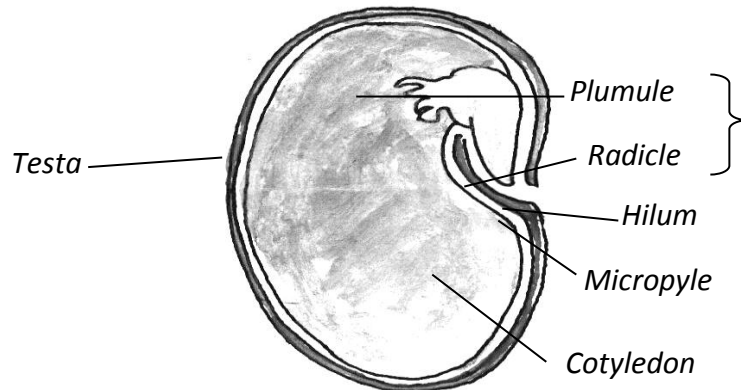
#### Examples of dicotyledonous seeds

- |               |            |            |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| 1. Beans      | 4. Oranges | 7. Mangoes |
| 2. Peas       | 5. Simsim  | 8. Soya    |
| 3. Groundnuts | 6. Avocado | 9. Simsim  |

#### Characteristics of dicotyledonous seeds

1. They store food in the cotyledon.
2. They mostly have tap root system.
3. They undergo epigeal germination.
4. They have two cotyledons.
5. They have network leaf venation.

#### Internal parts of a bean seed



#### Functions of each part:

a) <b>Cotyledon</b> :	It stores food for the seed.
b) <b>Testa/ seed coat</b> :	It protects the inside parts of a seed.
c) <b>Radicle</b>	It develops into root system.
d) <b>Plumule</b> :	It develops into shoot system.
e) <b>Scar / hilum</b>	It is where the seed is attached to the pod or fruit.
f) <b>Micropyle</b>	It allows in air and water into the seed during germination.
g) <b>Endosperm</b>	It stores food for the embryo

#### Comparison of cotyledon of a maize grain and a bean seed.

##### Similarities between maize grain and bean seed

1. Both maize grain and bean seed have seed coats
2. Both maize grain and bean seed have radicles
3. Both maize grain and bean seed have plumules
4. Both maize grain and bean seed have endosperm

##### Difference between cotyledon of a maize grain & a bean seed

Maize grain	Bean seed
Maize grain has two scars	Bean seed has one scar
Maize grain has no micropyle	Bean seed has micropyle

#### ACTIVITY

1. What are dicotyledonous seeds?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** examples of dicotyledonous seeds.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. State any **two** characteristics of dicotyledonous seeds.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. What type of root system are commonly found in dicotyledonous seeds?



5. What is leaf venation?

6. Name the leaf venation commonly found in the dicotyledonous plants.

7. Which part of the bean store food for the germinating embryo?

8. State any **two** similarities between maize grain and bean seed

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. State any **two** differences between cotyledon of a maize grain & a bean seed

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

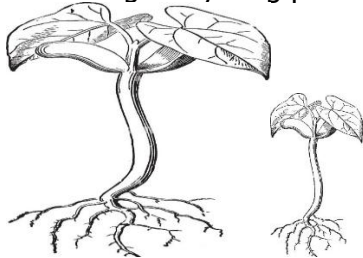
## LESSON

### Seed germination.

Seed germination is process by which seed embryo develops into a seedling.

Sed germination is the development of seed embryo into seedling.

A seedling is a young plant.



The seeds takes up water using the micropyle. The micropyle absorbs water which dissolve the food in the seeds which later swells and bursts then the radicles develops.

### Conditions for germination

1. Water

2. Warmth

3. Oxygen

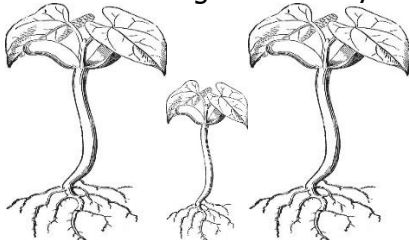
### Importance of each condition.

- ❖ Water (Moisture) : It softens the Testa for the embryo to pass  
Water dissolves the stored food in the cotyledon
- ❖ Oxygen :It is used for respiration.
- ❖ Warmth: Provides the right temperature for germination

## ACTIVITY

1. What is seed germination?

2. What name is given to the young plants shown below?



3. State any **two** conditions necessary for germination to take place.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. How useful is oxygen during seed germination?

5. In which way is water useful during seed germination.

6. Mention **one** importance of warmth to the germination bean seeds.

## LESSON

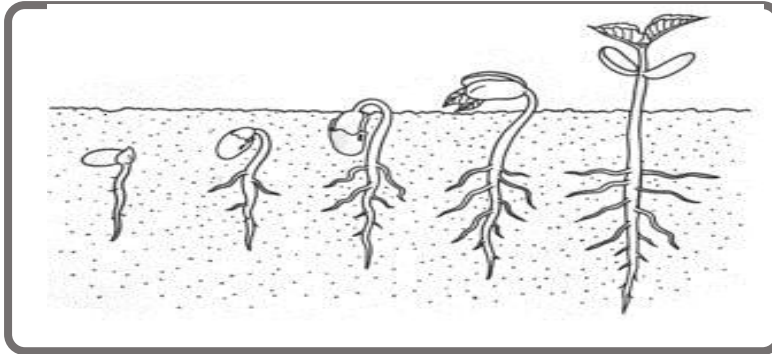
### Types of germination

1. Epigeal germination
2. Hypogeal germination.

#### Epigeal germination.

The type of germination where the cotyledon comes out of the ground / soil.

#### Illustration to show stages of epigeal germination



#### Steps undergone by a seed during germination

1. The seed absorbs water and swells
2. The radicle grows and pushes through the Testa
3. The radicle grows down wards and it is protected by the root cap
4. Root hairs absorb water and mineral salts.

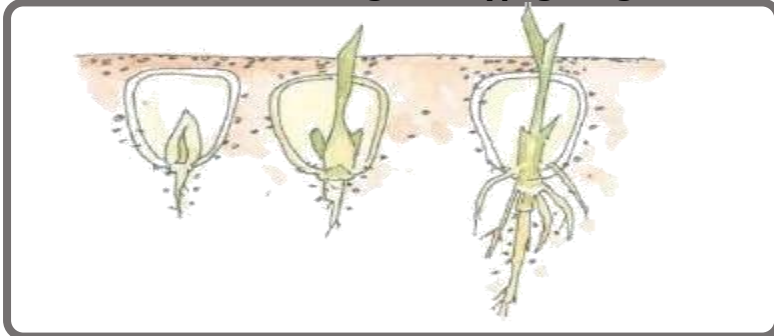
#### Plants which undergo epigeal germination.

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|----------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. Beans | 3. Peas       | 5. French beans |
| 2. Soya  | 4. Groundnuts | 6. Simsim       |

#### Hypogeal germination

It is the type of germination where the cotyledon remains in the soil.

#### Illustrations to show stages of hypogeal germination



#### Plants with hypogeal germination

- |          |            |           |
|----------|------------|-----------|
| 1. Maize | 4. Sorghum | 7. Barley |
| 2. Wheat | 5. Millet  |           |
| 3. Rice  | 6. Oats    |           |

#### Uses of seeds to people and other animals:

1. Some seeds are eaten
2. Some are sold
3. For feeding poultry
4. For decoration
5. For planting.

#### Importance of plants to man.

1. Some plants are used as food
2. Some plants are used as herbal medicine

3. Plants provide oxygen to man during photosynthesis
4. Some plants provide us with building materials
5. Some plants are used as mulches.
6. Plants are source of manure.

### ACTIVITY

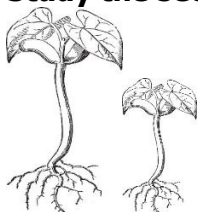
1. State any **two** types of germination.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is hypogeal germination?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Study the seedling below and use it to answer questions that follow.**



3. Name the type of germination undergone by the seedlings above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention any **two** plants which undergo epigeal germination.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Define hypogeal germination.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Name the type of germination where the cotyledon remains in the soil.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. State any **two** plants which undergo type of germination named above.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. State any **two** uses of seeds to people.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Mention any **two** importance of plants to man.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### **Differences between monocotyledonous and dicotyledonous plants**

<b>Monocotyledonous plants</b>	<b>Dicotyledonous plants</b>
They have seeds with one cotyledon	They have seeds with two cotyledons
Have fibrous root system	Have tap root system
Their leaves have parallel leaf venation	Their leaves have network leaf venation
Their seeds undergo hypogeal germination	Their seeds undergo epigeal germination

#### **Importance of plants to animals**

- ❖ Some plants are used as food
- ❖ Plants provide oxygen to animals
- ❖ Plants are habitat for some animals

#### **How plants depend on animals**

- ❖ Plants get carbon dioxide from animals
- ❖ Plants get manure from animal wastes.

### How animals depend on plants

- ❖ Animals get oxygen from plants
- ❖ Animals get food from plants
- ❖ Some animals use plants as their habitats.

### How do plants depend on each other.

- ❖ Some plants get extra support from others
- ❖ Some plants provide shade to others
- ❖ Some plants depends on others for nutrients.

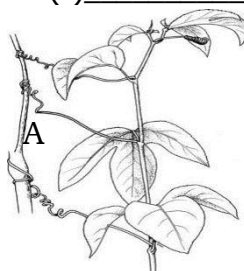
### ACTIVITY

1. Mention any **two** importance of plants to animals

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Give any **two** importance of animals to plants.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_



3. State any **two** ways how animals depend on plants.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention any **two** importance of plants to other plants.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. In which way is plant **A** important to plant **B**?

\_\_\_\_\_

6. What type of stem is plant B?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. Give any **two** things animals get from plants.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. In which way is the germination in beans different from those of maize grains?

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Which type of root system is common in

- (a) monocotyledonous plants? \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) dicotyledonous plants? \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### Crop growing

A crop is a plant grown and cared for a purpose.

#### Types of crops

- |                     |                |               |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. Cereal crops     | 3. Tuber crops | 5. Vegetables |
| 2. Leguminous crops | 4. Fruit crops |               |

#### Cereals

Cereals are sometimes called grains or monocots.

#### Examples of cereals

- |           |            |           |
|-----------|------------|-----------|
| 1. Maize  | 3. Sorghum | 5. Wheat  |
| 2. Millet | 4. Rice    | 6. Barley |

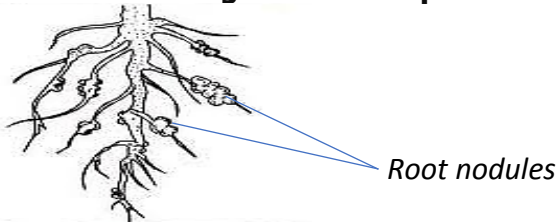
#### Leguminous crops (Legumes)

- They have nodules on their roots.
- They have seeds in pods.

#### Examples of legumes

- |         |              |
|---------|--------------|
| • Beans | • Groundnuts |
| • Peas  | • Soya beans |

## Root structure of a leguminous crop



### Root nodules:-

- Root swellings found on roots of leguminous plants.
- They keep nitrogen fixing bacteria.

**NB:** Nitrogen fixing bacteria trap nitrogen from air and change it into nitrates as plant food.

### ACTIVITY

1. What are crops?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. State any **two** types of crops commonly grown in your area.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Which type of crops are sometimes called grains or monocots?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention any **two** examples of cereals.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Why are maize grouped under cereal crops?

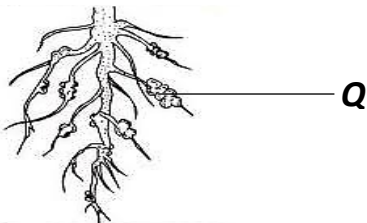
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6. State any **two** characteristics of leguminous crops.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

**Below is a root structure of a leguminous crop. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.**



7. Name the plant part marked with letter Q.

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Mention any **two** examples of leguminous plants with such structure on the.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Which bacteria trap nitrogen from air and change it into nitrates as plant food?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. State the main use of nitrogen fixing bacteria in the soil.

\_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### Fruit crops

These are crops grown purposely for the fruits.

Fruit crops are crops that we eat their fruits.

### Examples of fruit crops

- |            |             |                 |
|------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1. Mangoes | 3. Pumpkins | 5. Pine apples. |
| 2. Apples  | 4. Pawpaw   |                 |

### Root crops

These are crops which store their food in roots.

- |                   |            |            |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
| 1. Sweet potatoes | 2. Cassava | 3. Carrots |
|-------------------|------------|------------|

### Vegetables

Vegetables are crops that we eat their leaves.

### Examples of vegetables

- |            |            |           |
|------------|------------|-----------|
| 1. Cabbage | 3. Lettuce | 5. Nakati |
| 2. Spinach | 4. Dodo    | 6. Bbuga  |

### Types of vegetables

- ✓ Leaf vegetables e.g cabbages , spinach etc
- ✓ Root vegetables e.g carrots
- ✓ Fruity vegetables e.g tomatoes, eggs plants etc.

### Groups of crops (categories of crops)

- |                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1. Annual crops | 2. Perennial crops |
|-----------------|--------------------|

### Annual crops:

These are crops which mature and harvested within one year.

### Examples of annual crops

- |               |          |                |
|---------------|----------|----------------|
| 1. Sun flower | 3. Beans | 5. Maize       |
| 2. Sorghum    | 4. Peas  | 6. Ground nuts |

### Perennial crops:

These are crops that are harvested year after year.

### Examples of perennial crops

- |                |             |                |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1. Coffee crop | 2. Tea crop | 3. Banana crop |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|

### ACTIVITY

1. What are fruit crops?

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2. Mention any **two** examples of fruit crops

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. What are root crops?

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4. Mention any **two** examples of leaf vegetables

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. State any **two** examples of root vegetables

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. What are annual crops?

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7. Mention any **two** examples of annual crops.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. What are perennial crops?

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Give any **two** examples of perennial crops

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### CROP GROWING PRACTICES

#### Land preparation

It is done during dry season to:-



- Prevent the weeds from germinating again after digging and ploughing.

- Prevent the soil from sticking on to the hoe or plough.

#### Ways of preparing land

1. Digging
2. Ploughing
3. Slashing / clearing
4. Cutting big trees
5. Harrowing
6. De – trashing. (Removing tree stumps)

#### Garden tool / implements used in preparing land

- |               |             |        |
|---------------|-------------|--------|
| 1. Hoes       | 4. Slashers | 7. Axe |
| 2. Ox ploughs | 5. Rakes    |        |
| 3. Tractors   | 6. Panga    |        |

#### Ploughing land

- ✓ It is done using a tractor, ox-plough, hoes, and forked hoe.
- ✓ Ploughing the land is done to make the soil loose and soft
- ✓ It makes the soil aerated

#### Importance of preparing land

1. It softens the soil.
2. Digging and ploughing allows water into the soil.
3. It makes planting easy.
4. Allows air in to the soil.
5. Cutting away big trees opens space for crops to get enough sunlight.
6. To remove weeds

## ACTIVITY

1. Why should land be prepared first?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. State any **two** reasons why land preparation is done during dry season.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Write down any **two** ways of preparing land

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. What is de-trashing?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Mention any **two** tools used for Detrashing in the garden.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Draw and name any **three** garden tools used in preparing garden.


7. State any **two** farm implements used in preparing land.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Mention any **two** importance of preparing land

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### Selecting viable planting materials

Viable planting materials refers to the materials which are capable of germination.

#### Examples of planting materials.

- |            |                  |          |
|------------|------------------|----------|
| 1. Seeds   | 3. Stem cuttings | 5. Bulbs |
| 2. Suckers | 4. Rhizomes      |          |

#### Qualities of good planting materials

1. They should be mature
2. They should not be damaged
3. They should be free from pests.
4. They should be free from diseases.
5. They should not be too old.
6. They should be of the same variety.

#### Importance of selecting planting materials

1. It prevents wastage of land.
2. It ensures quality plants.
3. It prevents wastage of time.
4. It prevents wastage of labour.

#### Seed viability:

Seed viability is the ability of a seed to germinate.

#### Planting and sowing

This is putting of planting materials in the soil to germinate.

**Note:** Planting is done during wet / rainy season.

#### Reasons for planting crops in wet season.

- There is enough water for seed germination.
- The soil is soft for easy growth of roots.

### ACTIVITY

1. Define viable planting materials.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. State any **two** examples of planting materials.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention any **two** qualities of good planting materials.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Importance of selecting planting materials.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



5. Define Seed viability.

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Mention any **two** physical signs of seeds not viable for planting.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name the best season for planting crops.

\_\_\_\_\_

8. State any **two** reasons for planting crops in wet season.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. What is seed dormancy?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. State any **two** causes of seed dormancy.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Methods of planting

#### Row planting.

This is the putting of planting materials in the soil in a line.

#### Advantages of row planting

- It makes weeding easy.
- It makes harvesting easy.
- It controls easy spread of pests and diseases.
- It avoids wastage of seeds and other planting materials.
- It allows proper spacing of crops.

#### Disadvantages of row planting

1. It needs a lot of labour.
2. It is time consuming.
3. It requires large piece of land

#### Example of plants planted by row planting

- |            |              |              |
|------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. Maize   | 3. Beans     | 5. Potatoes. |
| 2. Cassava | 4. Pineapple |              |

#### Broadcasting method.

This is the planting of seeds by throwing them using the hand in a garden.

#### Advantages of broadcasting methods

1. It saves time.
2. It does not need a lot of labour.
3. It does not waste nutrients in soil.

#### Disadvantages of broadcasting methods

1. It makes weeding difficult.
2. It makes harvesting difficult.
3. Pests and diseases can easily spread.
4. Competition for nutrients and sunlight

## ACTIVITY

1. Mention any **two** methods of planting commonly use in your area.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Define row planting.

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3. Mention any **two** advantages of row planting

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

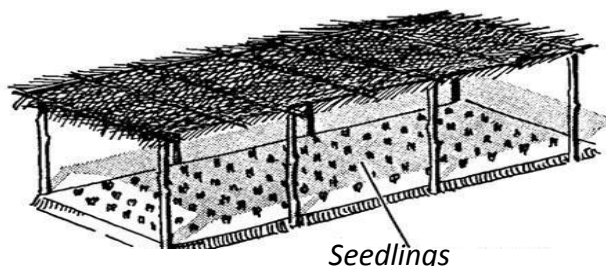
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. State any **two** disadvantages of row planting.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Name any **two** examples of crops planted by row planting.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Define broadcasting method of planting seeds.
   
\_\_\_\_\_
   
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Mention any **two** advantages of broadcasting method of planting seeds.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Mention any **two** disadvantages of broadcasting method.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Name any **two** crops that cannot be planted by broadcasting method.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Nursery bed.

A nursery bed is a small garden where seedlings are grown before they are transplanted.



### Transplanting

This is the transfer of seedlings from a nursery bed to the main garden.

#### Note:

- Trowel is the garden used during transplanting.
- Transplanting is best done in the evening.

#### Why transplanting is done in the evening

- It prevents wilting of the seedlings.
- There is little loss of water from the soil through evaporation.

#### Examples of plants grown in a nursery bed.

- |             |                    |
|-------------|--------------------|
| 1. Tomatoes | 4. Cabbages        |
| 2. Onions   | 5. Passion fruits. |
| 3. Coffee   |                    |



#### Importance of a nursery bed

1. It gives a farmer time to prepare the main garden.
2. It protects seedlings from heavy rain drops.
3. It protects seedlings from strong sunshine.
4. It helps farmers to select healthy seedlings.
5. It helps water to sink deeply in to the soil.

#### Advantages of early planting

- Crops make full use of rainfall for the season.
- Cereals mature early therefore get good market.
- Crops grow fast enough and compete with weeds for light nutrients and water before they flow.

## ACTIVITY

1. What is nursery bed?

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2. Define the word **transplanting**.

Below is a garden tool used in the nursery bed.



3. Name the garden tool below.

4. Mention any one use of the farm tool shown above.

5. Name the best time for transplanting.

6. Why is transplanting done in the evening?

7. State any **two** examples of crops raised in a nursery bed first.

(i)

(ii)

8. Mention any **two** conditions that lead seeds to be planted in nursery bed first.

(i)

(ii)

9. Mention any **two** importance of a nursery bed

(i)

(ii)

10. Mention any **two** advantages of early planting to the farmers.

(i)

(ii)

## LESSON

### Crop growing practices

These are different activities done before and after planting seeds

#### Examples of crop growing practices

They all refer to all ways in which farmers care for their crops in the garden.

They include:

- |             |                          |                     |
|-------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Weeding  | 4. Manuring              | 7. Mulching         |
| 2. Thinning | 5. Applying fertilizers. | 8. Providing shade. |
| 3. Watering | 6. Staking               | 9. Pruning.         |

### Weeds

Weeds are plants which grow in a place where they are not wanted.

#### Examples of weeds.

- |                             |                   |                     |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Wild finger millet grass | 5. Star grass     | 9. Timothy grass    |
| 2. Black jack               | 6. Couch grass    | 10. Macdonald's eye |
| 3. Wandering Jew            | 7. Elephant grass |                     |
| 4. Spear grass              | 8. Nut grass      |                     |

#### Uses of weeds.

- a) For feeding some farm animals
- b) For thatching houses
- c) For mulching
- d) Some weeds are used in the making of herbal medicine
- e) When weeds rot, they improve on soil fertility

#### Dangers of weeds.

- 1) Weeds hide pests and diseases
- 2) They lead to poor growth of crops
- 3) Some weeds are poisonous to animals
- 4) Weeds compete with crops for sunlight, water and soil nutrients
- 5) Weeds make it hard for farmers to prun, spray and harvest
- 6) It is expensive to control weeds.

- 7) Reduce human efficiency during farm operation
- 8) Reduce quality of farm products

### ACTIVITY

1. What are crop growing practices?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Mention any **two** examples of crop growing practices.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. What term is used to mean plants which grow in a place where they are not wanted?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Mention any **two** examples of weeds.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. State any **two** uses of weeds.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Give any **two** examples of weed used for mulching.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. Mention any **two** dangers of weeds to the crop farmers.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### Weeding

Weeding is the removal of unwanted plants from the garden.

#### Ways of controlling weeds.

1. By uprooting and burning them
2. By mulching the garden
3. By spraying with herbicides
4. Slashing the weeds
5. By cutting and burning them

#### Advantages of weeding a garden

1. It makes harvesting easy.
2. It creates spaces for farm activities.
3. It reduces overcrowding of plants in the garden
4. It controls the easy spread of diseases.
5. It reduces competition for light, nutrients, water and space in the garden.
6. It prevents the easy spread of crop pests.



### ACTIVITY

1. What are weeds?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. How is weed different from weeding?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Mention any **two** garden tools used for weeding  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. State any **two** ways of controlling weeds in the garden.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Name the chemical used for controlling weeds.

6. Suggest **two** reasons why weeds are more successful than crop plants in the garden.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Mention any **two** reasons why farmers weed their cross in the garden.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Pruning

Pruning is the removal of unwanted parts of a plant.

#### Plants that are pruned include

1) Banana

3) Cocoa

5) Oranges

2) Coffee

4) Lemons

#### Parts of the plants that we prun

leaves, branches, stems

#### Garden tools used for pruning

1) Secateurs

3) Pruning shears

5) A sickle

2) Pruning saw

4) Pruning knife

#### Plants which are pruned include

1. Orange plant

4. Coffee plant

2. Banana plant

5. Lemon plant

3. Tomato plant

#### Importance of pruning

1) It reduces hiding places for pests

2) To reduce unwanted parts

3) To facilitate picking

4) It gives good space for spraying and harvesting

5) It reduces competition for sunlight, air, water and soil nutrients among crops

6) Pruned materials can be used for mulching

7) Pruning reduces overcrowding of plants in the garden

8) It improves on the quality of fruits

9) It improve on the yields of crops

10) It simplifies movement within the garden.

## ACTIVITY

1. What is pruning?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** examples of plants that are mainly pruned.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name any **two** parts of the plants that we prun.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_


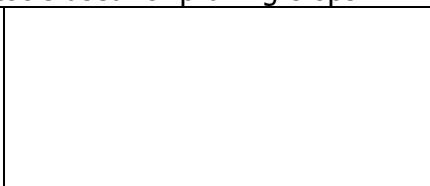

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Give any **two** examples of plants that can be pruned.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Draw and name any **two** garden tools used for pruning crops.

		
_____	_____	_____

6. Mention any **two** importance of pruning crops to the farmers.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. State any **two** ways of reducing competition among plants in the garden.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Mention any **two** things for which plants compete.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Name the main garden tool used for pruning.

## LESSON

### Thinning.

This is the removal of excess seedlings from a planting hole or a nursery bed.

#### Methods of thinning

- 1) Uprooting/digging out the plant
- 2) Cutting the plant at the base area

#### Tools used for thinning

- |          |        |          |
|----------|--------|----------|
| 1) Panga | 2) Hoe | 3) Hands |
|----------|--------|----------|

#### Advantages of thinning crops

1. It creates space for crops to grow
2. It gives good space for pruning, spraying and harvesting
3. It makes weeding easy
4. It reduces hiding places for pests
5. It prevents overcrowding in seedlings
6. It reduces competition for soil nutrients among plants.
7. Thinned materials can be used for mulching
8. Crops grow bigger and yield more
9. It prevents the easy spread of diseases.

#### Commonly thinned crops

- |              |           |            |
|--------------|-----------|------------|
| 1. Cotton    | 4. Millet | 7. Sorghum |
| 2. Sunflower | 5. Maize  | 8. Simsim  |
| 3. Banana    | 6. Rice   |            |

## ACTIVITY

1. What scientific term is used to mean the removal of excess seedlings from a planting hole or a nursery bed?\_\_\_\_\_

2. Why do farmers thin seedlings in the nursery beds?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention any **two** methods of thinning crops.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention any **two** tools used for thinning crops

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Mention any **two** advantages of thinning crops.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Give **two** commonly thinned crops

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Mulching

Mulching is the covering of top soil with dry plant materials in the garden.

**Note:** Plant materials used in mulching are called mulches.

**Examples of mulches**

- |                      |                 |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. Dry banana leaves | 3. Dry grass    | 5. Coffee husks |
| 2. Dry maize stalks  | 4. Spear grass. |                 |

**Advantages of mulching**

1. Mulching keeps moisture in the soil
2. Mulching controls soil erosion
3. Mulching controls pests
4. Mulching improves soil fertility
5. Mulching controls growth of weeds

**Disadvantages of mulching**

1. Mulches can easily catch fire and burn crops.
2. Mulches are hiding places for crop pests e.g. rats.
3. Some mulches can turn into weeds
4. Mulches can easily catch fire and destroy crops
5. Mulching is tiring
6. It provides breeding ground for pests and disease vectors.
7. It is expensive to carry out.

**ACTIVITY**

1. What is mulching?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. What name is given to the materials used in mulching?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Give any **two** examples of mulches.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Why are dry banana leaves used as mulches?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Mention **two** advantages of mulching.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. State any **two** disadvantages of mulching.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. Mention any **two** crop pests which breed under mulches.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
8. State any **two** disadvantages of mulching.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

**LESSON**

**Types of Mulching Materials**

• **Organic materials.**

They include sawdust, wood shavings, coffee pulp, dry grass, banana leaves, dry maize stalks and any other appropriate vegetation.

**Inorganic/synthetic materials.** They can be black, yellow or transparent polythene sheets.

**NB; how does mulching conserve soil moisture?**

Mulching prevents direct sun rays from reaching the soil to cause evaporation.

**How does mulching improve soil fertility?**

Mulches rot and form humus.

**How does mulching control soil erosion?**

By reducing the speed of fast flowing water.

### ACTIVITY

1. What name is used to mean materials used for mulching in the garden?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. State any **two** types of mulching materials.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention any **three** examples of organic materials.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Give another name for inorganic materials.

\_\_\_\_\_

5. How does mulching conserve soil moisture?

\_\_\_\_\_

6. How does mulching improve soil fertility?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. How does mulching control soil erosion?

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Apart from mulching mention any **two** ways of controlling soil erosion.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

**Below is an illustration of a farm activity. Use it to answer questions that follow**

(a) Name the crop growing activity illustrated below.



(b) What scientific name is used to which can be used to carry out the above activity?

(c) Mention any **two** materials which can be used to carry out the above illustrated activity.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

(d) **State** any **two** importance of carrying out the above illustrated activity.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### Manuring

Manuring is the putting of manure in the soil to make it more fertile.

#### Types of manures

1. Natural fertilizers
2. Artificial fertilizers

#### Organic Manures/ natural fertilizers

They are obtained from plant and an animal remains after decomposition.

#### Sources of natural fertilizers

1. Animal dung and urine
2. Plant remains
3. Green plants.

#### Types of organic matter/natural fertilizers

1. Compost manure:  
It is got from plant materials and animal wastes.



2. Green manure:  
It is got from ploughed, buried and rotten green materials like legumes.
3. Farm yard manure (F.Y.M):  
It is got from farm animal wastes, urine and decayed material.

### **Importance of organic manures/natural fertilizers**

1. They improve soil structure
2. They improve water holding capacity of the soil
3. They increase soil fertility
4. They help to keep PH of soil stable
5. They reduce toxicity of plant poisons
6. They increase the humus content in the soil
7. They do not have residual effect on the soil.

### **Disadvantages of organic manures**

1. They have low nutritive value
2. It is tiring to apply
3. They spread diseases and pests
4. They spread weeds
5. Soluble nutrients are easily leached

### **Inorganic manures/ artificial fertilizers**

These are chemical substances which are manufactured to supply the nutrients to the plants.

### **Types of inorganic manures**

There are two main types of inorganic fertilizers

1. Straight fertilizers
2. Mixed /Compound fertilizers.

### **Advantages of inorganic manures**

1. The mixture is stable
2. They contain all the major plant nutrients in right proportions
3. They save the farmer's Labour

### **Disadvantages of inorganic manures**

They are slightly more expensive than straight manures.

They may be unsuitable for most of the soils which lack only one nutrient

### **ACTIVITY**

1. Mention any **three** types of natural fertilizers.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
2. How is humus formed?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. State any **two** advantages of using farm yard manure.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Write in full FYM.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Suggest any **two** disadvantages of using natural fertilizers.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Mention any **two** sources of natural manure.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. State any **two** examples of artificial fertilizers.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Give any **two** advantages of using of artificial fertilizers.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Suggest any **two** disadvantages of using of artificial fertilizers.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Staking

This is supporting plants having weak stems using strong sticks

e.g. in tomatoes, garden peas and some bean varieties.

### Methods of staking

(a) **Propping.**

This is providing support to tall varieties of bananas and those with heavy bunches using forked (Y- shaped) stakes.

(b) **Trellising.**

This is providing support to crops with vines using wire or sisal strings. The strings are held by poles at definite spacing e.g. in passion fruits.

(c) **Earthing up**

This is the placement of soil in form of a heap around the base of the plant.

(d) **Training**

This is the use of sticks or wires to give support to a growing plant. E.g in tomatoes

### Examples of staked crops are;

- |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| 1) Banana         | 3) Vanilla crops |
| 2) Passion fruits | 4) Tomatoes      |

### Reasons for staking

- 1) Staking enable easy spraying of crops
- 2) Staking protect fruits from damage from the ground
- 3) Staking give support to the plants
- 4) Staking enables easy harvesting and weeding of crops.

## ACTIVITY

1. What is staking?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** methods of staking.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Give **two** examples of staked crops.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention any **two** reasons for staking crops in the garden.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

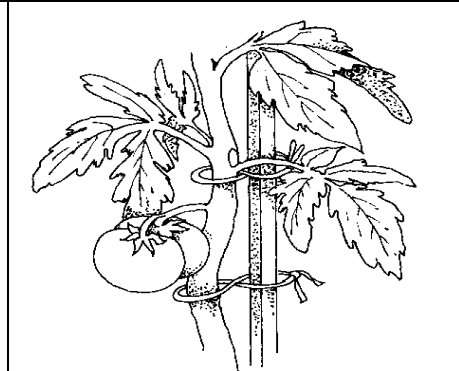
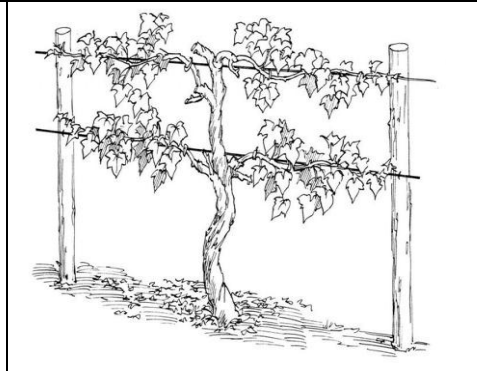
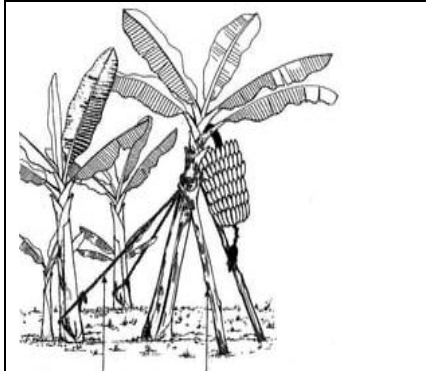
5. Name the method of staking the following kind of crops:

(a) Tomatoes: \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Banana: \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Passion fruits: \_\_\_\_\_

6. name any **one** example of plant staked using the following methods.



## LESSON

### Crop rotation

It is the growing of different types of crops on the same piece of land seasonally.

#### Advantages of crop rotation

1. It maximizes utilization of nutrients
2. It controls weeds
3. It controls soil pests and disease
4. It improve on soil fertility
5. There is soil structure improvement
6. It controls soil erosion

#### Note:

1. Legumes are alternated with non – leguminous plants.  
Why: They make soil more fertile since legumes add nutrients to the soil.
2. Shallow rooters are alternated with deep rooters.  
Why? This balances the use of nutrients from soil at different levels.  
Watering: Is the supply of water to crops

#### Factors Influencing crop rotation

- 1) Crop root depth
- 2) Soil structure
- 3) Pests and disease control.
- 4) Weed control
- 5) Crop nutrient requirement
- 6) Soil fertility

## ACTIVITY

1. What is crop rotation.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Mention any **two** reasons for carrying out crop rotation.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Why are legumes alternated with non – leguminous plants?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. State the reason why shallow rooters are alternated with deep rooters.  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Mention any **two** factors influencing crop rotation  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Mention **two** farm expenses reduced by practicing crop rotation.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### watering

Water can be applied to the garden artificially. This practice is called **irrigation**.

### Irrigation:

This is the practice of applying water artificially to the soil in areas where there is no rain or where rain is inadequate.

It is usually practiced;

- i) In dry areas.
- ii) During dry periods.
- iii) In the growing of paddy rice.

### Uses of water in soil

1. It makes the soil soft for roots to grow easily.
2. It is used for seed germination.
3. Plants use water to make food.
4. It softens the ground for easy weeding.
5. Cools the plants during transpiration.

### Advantages of irrigation

- 1) It helps in controlling pests and diseases
- 2) Enable crop production during dry season
- 3) Reclaim arid and semi-arid land for farming
- 4) Supplement rainfall in crop production
- 5) Help provides enough water to crops that require a lot of water like rice
- 6) Creates favourable temperature for proper plant growth
- 7) Enable supply of fertilizer in irrigation water
- 8) Make possible to grow crops in special structures like green house

### Disadvantages of irrigation

- 1) It may encourages soil erosion
- 2) Excess water may cause leaching.
- 3) Excess water may rot all the crops
- 4) Water droplets harden the soil.
- 5) It requires a lot of skills
- 6) It is expensive to install.
- 7) It can spread diseases to crops and people

### Factors that determine the type of irrigation to be used in an area

- |                              |                           |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1) The source of power       | 6) Availability of water. |
| 2) Type of soil              | 7) Capital                |
| 3) Topography                | 8) Knowledge and skills   |
| 4) Type of crops grown.      | 9) Climatic records       |
| 5) Methods of planting crops |                           |

## ACTIVITY

1. Define irrigation.

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** conditions that can lead to watering of crops in the garden.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Which season is the best for watering crops.

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Give **two** uses of water in soil

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Mention any **two** advantages of irrigation

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Mention **two** disadvantages of irrigation to:

(a) The soil

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) The farmers

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) The crops

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Give **two** factors that determine the type of irrigation to be used in an area

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### CROP HARVESTING

Harvesting is the collection of mature crops from the garden

Harvesting is the removal of mature and ready crops from the garden.

- Harvesting is usually done in the dry season.
- There is enough sunshine to dry harvested crops.

### Methods of harvesting crop

1. By uprooting using hands e.g. soya beans, beans, ground nuts
2. By cutting using a panga e.g. sugar cane, bananas
3. By digging out using a hoe e.g. cassava, sweet potatoes
4. By hand picking e.g. coffee, tomatoes, oranges

### Early harvesting

This refers to the situations in which a crop is harvested before it is ready.

It is also referred to as premature harvests

### Conditions that leads to premature harvests

1. Poor weather conditions
2. Pests and disease attacks
3. Hunger
4. Need to catch high prices

### Disadvantages of early harvesting

- 1) Seeds contain a lot of moisture, so they can rot
- 2) The quality of seed is poor
- 3) The grain are small and shrunk
- 4) The seeds are not good for harvesting

### Ways of processing crops

- 1) Sun drying
- 2) Smoking
- 3) Adding chemicals to crops

## ACTIVITY

1. What is crop harvesting?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Why is harvesting usually done in the dry season?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. State **two** methods of harvesting crops

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. State **two** crops harvested by:

(a) by uprooting using hands

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) by cutting using a panga
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) by digging out using a hoe
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) by hand picking
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. What is early harvesting?

\_\_\_\_\_

6. State **two** conditions that lead to premature harvests.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Mention any **two** disadvantages of early harvesting

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Give **two** ways of processing harvested crops.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### **CROP STORAGE**

Crop storage is the keeping of harvested crops safely for future use.

1. Seeds and cereals after sun drying them, should be stored properly
2. Other foods like cassava are sundried after harvesting to prevent them from rotting.

#### **Reasons why farmers store food.**

1. To be eaten in dry season.
2. To avoid wastage of food.
3. To fight hunger
4. For planting in next season.
5. To be sold when market prices are better.

#### **Places where food can be stored**

- |                 |                                |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. In granaries | 3. Stores                      |
| 2. Silos        | 4. In refrigerators / freezers |

#### **Types of stores**

1. Traditional stores e.g. granaries

Modern stores e.g. silos

#### **Methods of storing root crops**

- Temporary storage e.g. burying the tubers under wet soil
- Long time storage (after drying the slices) e.g. storing in granaries /sacks /slices (modern stores) silos

#### **Qualities of a good store**

1. It should be well ventilated.
2. The roof should not leak.
3. It should have rat guards.
4. It should be clean and dry.
5. The storage facility should be free from storage pests like rats, bean weevils.

## ACTIVITY

1. What are crop storage?

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2. State any **two** reasons why farmers store food.

(i) 

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(ii) 

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3. Suggest any **two** places where farmers store their food.

(i) 

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(ii) 

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4. Mention any **two** methods of storing root crops.

(i) 

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(ii) 

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5. Mention **two** crops which are stored in the garden.

(i) 

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(ii) 

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6. State **two** ways of controlling storage pests from the store.

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7. Mention any **two** crops that cannot be stored for a long time.

(i) 

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(ii) 

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8. Mention any **two** qualities of a good store.

(i) 

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(ii) 

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9. Why should a good store be:

(a) free from rats? 

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(b) leaking proof? 

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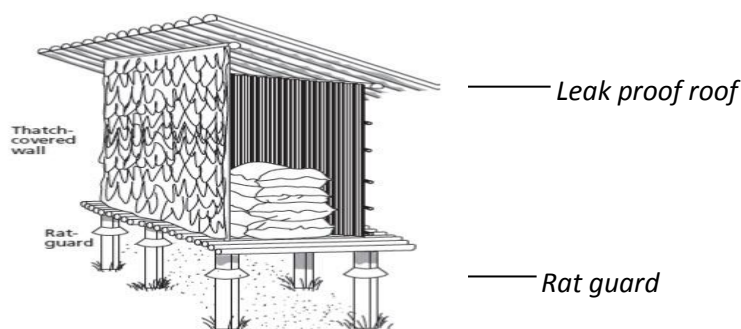
(c) clean and dry? 

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## LESSON

### A storage facility (granary)

A granary is a locally made facility for storing harvested crops.  
Most crops stored in the granary are cereals.



#### Note:

1. Rat guards prevent rats from entering into the granary
2. Leak proof roof prevents damping and rotting of the seeds.

#### Reasons why rat guards should be fixed on a granary

To prevent rats from entering the granary.

#### 3. How are the rat guards adapted to their function?

Rat guards have slippery surfaces that make rats to slide when entering the granary.

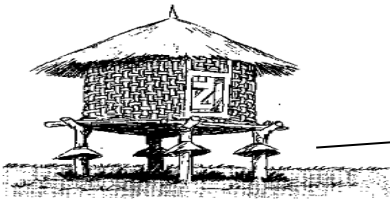
#### Conditions for proper storage of food

1. The seeds or grains should be stored when they are dry

- Stores should be well ventilated
- The roofs of stores should not leak
- Rat guards should be fixed on the granary
- Root crops should be dried first before storing them
- Seeds should be dusted with pesticides before storing them

### ACTIVITY

The diagram below shows a storage facility. Use it to answer questions that follow.



- Name the storage facility shown above.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Name the part marked with letter K.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- State any **one** reason why part marked K should be fixed on a granary.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- State any **two** reasons why the above structure should be raised above the ground.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- How are the rat guards adapted to their function?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- State any **two** qualities of a good store.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- State **two** conditions for proper storage of food crops.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Mention any **two** crops that can be stored in the facility above.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### CROP PESTS AND DISEASES

##### Crop pests

Crop pests are living organisms which destroy crops. They include: animals, birds, insects.

##### Examples of field pests.

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|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Army worms        | 5. Locusts        | 9. Snails         |
| 2. Birds             | 6. Squirrels      | 10. Banana weevil |
| 3. Termites          | 7. Aphids         |                   |
| 4. Maize stalk borer | 8. Cotton Stainer |                   |

##### Examples of some storage pests

- |                 |                      |                  |
|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1. Rats         | 3. Bean weevil       | 5. Harvest mites |
| 2. Maize weevil | 4. A storage beetle. |                  |

##### Uses of pests to farmers

- Some pests are a source of food to man e.g. grasshoppers and locusts.
- Some are eaten by farmer's poultry e.g. caterpillars
- Some crop pests decompose organic matters

##### Dangers of crop pests.

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. They weaken plants.                | 4. They destroy crops.               |
| 2. They lead to low produce.          | 5. Wastage money in controlling them |
| 3. They lead to poor growth of crops. |                                      |

##### Signs of pest damage on crops



1. Holes in leaves, fruits & stems on crops
2. Change in colour of leaves, stem and fruits
3. Pre – mature ripening
4. Abnormal deformed parts
5. Seeds with holes
6. Rotten tubers
7. Stunted growth in a plant.

### ACTIVITY

1. What are crop pests?

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2. Give **two** examples of field pests.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention **two** examples of some crop affected by the storage pests.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. State any **two** dangers of crop pests to the farmers.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. State **two** signs of pest attack on crops in the garden

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Mention **two** effects of storage pests

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Mention **two** ways of controlling crop pests.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. **Below is a crop pest. Use it to answer the question 8.**



(a) Name the crop pest above.

(b) Mention any **two** crops destroyed by the above pest.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) State **two** ways of controlling the above animal.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### Crop diseases

#### Some crop diseases.

Disease	Plant attacked
Cassava mosaic	Cassava plant
Leaf rot	
Tomato blight	Tomatoes
Ground nut Rosette	Groundnuts
Leaf spot	Maize
Maize streak	
Powdery mildew	Mangoes, pawpaw, turnips
Smuts	Sugarcane, maize, sorghum
Rust	Cereals (millet, maize, barley, wheat)
Panama	Banana

### Ways of controlling crop diseases

1. By crop rotation.
2. Spraying chemicals.
3. Uprooting and burning of infected crops.
4. Planting healthy materials.
5. Proper spacing
6. Early planting.

### ACTIVITY

1. What are crop diseases?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Name **one** crop affected by the following diseases  
(a) Tomato blight: \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) Smuts \_\_\_\_\_  
(c) Rust \_\_\_\_\_  
(d) Panama \_\_\_\_\_
3. Suggest any **two** causes of diseases in crops.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Suggest any **two** parts of a plant affected by diseases.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Mention **two** signs and symptoms of disease attack in crop plants.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. State any **two** effects of diseases to the farmers.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. What kind of planting materials help to control diseases in plants?

### LESSON

#### Effects of pests and disease damage on crops

1. The leaves and stems loses chlorophyll
2. The root tubers get damaged
3. The root crop which develop are of a poor quality
4. They lead to poor yield
5. They lead to stunted growth

#### Major control methods of pests

##### 1. Mechanical control method

- ✓ physical guarding (Fencing the garden)
- ✓ Silting traps /scares
- ✓ Staying scary crows

The above methods can control pests like wild pigs, moles, birds, rodents etc

##### 2. Biological pest control

This is where a predator is used to control the pests e.g. taming a cat to kill rats.

##### 3. Cultural methods

- ✓ By practicing crop rotation
- ✓ The available pests of a particular crop
- ✓ Early planting and harvesting
- ✓ Practicing resident species /varieties
- ✓ Through proper control of weeds
- ✓ By planting disease free materials

### Chemical control method

This is a method where a farmer sprays pesticides and insecticide to kill the pests

#### ACTIVITY

1. Write any **two** effects of pests and disease damage on crops.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** mechanical method of controlling pests.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. State any **two** cultural methods of controlling pests.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Give **two** examples of pests controlled by use of chemicals.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Mention **two** chemicals used for controlling pests.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

#### LESSON

### Record keeping

This is a practice where a farmer writes down all the activities done on the farm.

### Farm records

Farm records are written information about various activities carried out on a farm.

### Types of farm records

#### a. Feeding records:

These show the amount of feeds bought, consumed and methods of feeding.

#### b. Breeding records:

These include reproduction, birth or death rates.

#### c. Production records:

These show yields of various farm produce e.g. eggs, milk, meat

#### d. Health records:

These include when and which animals were sick, what treatment they got or which ones to cull.

#### e. Labour records

These include the number of farm laborer, type of work they do and their wages.

#### f. Marketing records

These include where, when and what prices various products were sold.

#### g. Sales and expense records

These are records that shows income and expenditures of the farm business.

### Reasons why crop farmers keep records

1. To know the progress of the farm
2. Proper records can be used to get loans in the bank
3. To plan for the farm for future use
4. To know whether the farmer is making profits or losses.
5. Farm records help farmers to make decisions on the farm
6. Records enable the farmers to be taxed fairly by the government.

#### ACTIVITY

1. What is record keeping?

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2. What do you understand by farm records?

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3. Mention **two** types of farm records.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Apart from money, mention any **two** farm records that can be kept in a bank.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. State **two** reasons why crop farmers should keep records  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Which type of farm records:  
 (a) show the amount of feeds bought, consumed and methods of feeding? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) show yields of various farm produce? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) shows income and expenditures of the farm business? \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Food preservation

Food preservation is the preventing of food from going bad.

#### Methods of preserving food (modern / local)

Sun drying	Cassava, sweet potatoes, maize, Irish potatoes, Onions, millet, rice, sun flower, wheat, beans, soya beans, peas.
Freezing	Oranges, mangoes, avocados, sweet banana, Irish potatoes, cucumber, cabbage, water melon.
Tinning / canning	Beans, Tomatoes
Salting	Meat / fish
Smoking	Meat + fish
Refrigeration	All fruits / vegetation / meat / fish
Roasting	Meat / fish

## ACTIVITY

1. What is food preservation?  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
2. Mention **two** reasons why we preserve food.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. State any **two** methods of food preservation.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Give **two** examples of food preserved by:  
 (a) Sun drying  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Freezing  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Tinning  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) Salting  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (e) Smoking  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. State any **two** examples of food preserved by either salting or smoking.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Food path

Food path are different stages in food production.

### Types of food path

- Village food path
- Town food path
- Earning food path

### Village food path:

This is the food path where farmers grow crops for home consumption

### Stages of village food path

- Land preparation (clearing the land)
- Planting
- Caring for crops
- Harvesting

**Town food path:** This is the food path where farmers good or produce food for sale.

### Stages in town food path.

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|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Clearing the land | 4. Harvesting   | 7. Buying and cooking food |
| 2. Planting          | 5. Drying seeds | 8. Eating                  |
| 3. Caring for crops  | 6. Marketing    |                            |

### Earning food path

This is the food path where people who work and get salary use it to buy food in markets

### Stages of earning food path

1. Getting salary
2. Budgeting
3. Buying food

### Blocks of food path

Blocks of food path are problems faced in food production and may lead to little yield when harvested.

### Examples of blocks of food path

- |                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| (a) Crop pests           | (d) Poor health       |
| (b) Crops diseases       | (e) Weather disasters |
| (c) Poor farming methods | (f) Earth quake       |

## ACTIVITY

1. What is food path?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** types of food path.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. What is village food path?

\_\_\_\_\_

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4. State any two stages of village food path.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Define the term town food path.

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6. Mention any **two** stages in town food path.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. What is earning food path?

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Give **two** stages of earning food path.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. What are blocks of food path?

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10. State any **two** examples of blocks of food path.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

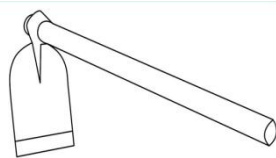
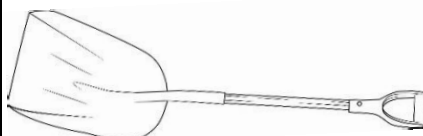
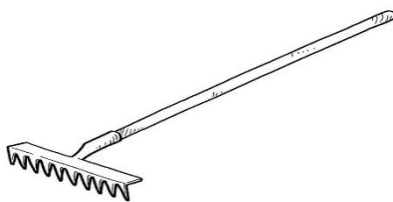

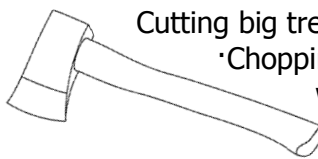



(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

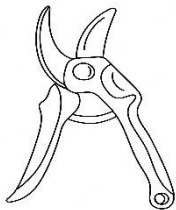
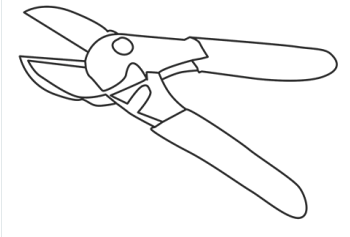




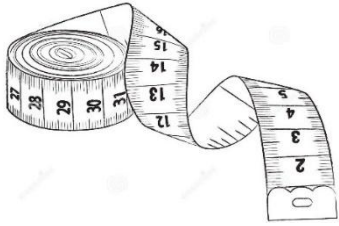

## LESSON

### Garden tools

These are tools used by farmers to carry out garden activities.

#### Common garden tools and their uses

<b>Hoe</b>  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Digging</li> <li>2. Planting</li> <li>3. Weeding</li> <li>4. Harvesting</li> </ol>	<b>Spade</b> Mixing manure • Lifting soil 	
3	<b>Rake</b>  <p>Leveling soil Collecting weeds</p>	• <b>Wheel burrow</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carrying soil</li> <li>• Carrying manure</li> <li>• Carrying harvest</li> </ul>
	<b>Axe</b>  <p>Cutting big trees • Chopping wood</p>	<b>Panga</b>  <p>Cutting small branches of trees • Cutting trees • Harvesting sugar cane</p>
	<b>watering can</b>  <p>Watering crops</p>	<b>Forked hoe</b>  <p>Digging hard ground • Digging stony ground</p>

	Watering seedlings	
	<b>Secateurs</b>  Pruning crops	<b>Pruner</b>  Pruning crops
	<b>Garden fork</b> Mixing manure 	<b>Shovel</b>  Transplanting Carrying seedlings
	<b>Pick axe</b>  Digging in rocky ground Digging in stony soils	<b>Knives</b>  1. Harvesting 2. Pruning 3. Peeling
	<b>Tape measure</b>  Spacing crops in the garden	<b>Hand fork</b>  Light weeding Removing seedlings from soil

### Caring for garden tools

- Storing garden tools in clean dry places.
- Painting or oiling garden tools.
- Cleaning them after use.

### ACTIVITY

1. Mention any **two** tools used for :

(a) Digging

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Pruning

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Harvesting

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

2. State **two** uses of each of the following tools.

- (a) Hoe \_\_\_\_\_,  
 (b) Wheel burrow \_\_\_\_\_,  
 (c) Panga \_\_\_\_\_



3. Name the activity shown above.  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Name the garden too used for watering  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. Name the tool used for spacing cross in the garden.  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. Mention **two** crops harvested using knives.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
 7. Apart from harvesting crops, mention any **two** other uses of knives to

farmers.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. How is the use of a rake different from that of the forked hoe?  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

9. Draw and name any **two** garden tools used in transplanting seedlings.

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10. Name the place where seedlings are finally transplanted.  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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## LESSON

### THEME : THE WORLD OF LIVING THINGS

### TOPIC 2 : ANIMAL LIFE

#### Classes of animals

1. Aquatic animals
2. Aerobic animals
3. Land animals

#### Types of animals

1. Domestic animals
2. Wild animals

#### Domestic animals

Domestic animals are animals which are kept at home.

#### Examples of domestic animals

Cow, goats rabbits, sheep, camels, donkeys, horses pigs

#### Homes of domestic animals

1. A pig lives in a sty
2. A cow lives in a kraal/ cattle shed
3. Birds live in cages/ nests
4. A dog lives in a Kennel.
5. A bee lives in a bee hive
6. A rabbit lives a hutch

#### What these animals eat.

- a) A cow eats grass.



- b) A dog eats flesh.
- c) A bee eats nectar
- d) A rabbit eats green vegetation.

### Wild animals

Wild animals are animals that live in the bushes of forests

### Examples of wild animals

Elephants, antelopes , rats foxes, wolves, zebras, lions, hyenas, giraffes, warthogs

### Homes of wild animals

- 1. Forests
- 2. Burrows/ holes
- 3. Nests

## ACTIVITY

1. What are aquatic animals?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** examples of aquatic animals.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Define aerobic animals.

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention **two** types of animals.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. What are domestic animals?

\_\_\_\_\_

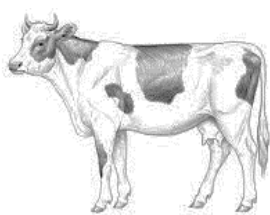
6. State any **two** examples of domestic animals

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Where does a pig live?

\_\_\_\_\_



8. Name the animal above

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Where does the above animal live?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. Mention any **two** importance of the animals above.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

11. Mention **two** places where rabbits live.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

12. What name is given to the animals which feed on meat only?

\_\_\_\_\_

13. What are wild animals?

\_\_\_\_\_

14. Mention any **two** examples of wild animals

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### BIRDS IN OUR ENVIRONMENT

#### BIRDS

Birds are warm blooded vertebrates whose bodies are covered with feathers.

#### Types of birds

1. Domestic birds
2. Wild birds

#### Domestic birds

Domestic birds are birds that are kept at home.

#### Examples of domestic birds

Hens, turkeys, guinea fowls, ducks, pigeons, quail birds

#### Wild birds

Wild birds are birds that live on their own in the bushes of forests.

#### Examples of wild birds

Crows, kites, eagles, weaverbirds, sparrows, crested crane

A bat is not a bird.

#### Reasons why a bat is not regarded a bird

1. It has no beak but well developed mammalian teeth
2. It has no feathers but furs on their bodies
3. Bats have mammary gland which produce milk
4. It does not lay eggs

#### Characteristics of birds

- ✓ Their legs are covered with scales and the body with feathers.
- ✓ They lay eggs
- ✓ They breathe using lungs.
- ✓ They are stream lined
- ✓ They have a four chambered heart.
- ✓ Birds use beaks for pecking food.
- ✓ Birds care for their young ones
- ✓ They have endo skeleton.
- ✓ Birds have back bones

#### Habitats for birds

1. Some birds live in water
2. On land
3. In the air
4. On trees

## ACTIVITY

1. Name the warm blooded vertebrates whose bodies are covered with feathers.

\_\_\_\_\_

2. State any **two** types of birds

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name the type of birds that are kept at home.

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4. Mention any **two** examples that of domestic birds

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. What are wild birds?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Draw and name any **three** examples of wild birds.


7. State **two** reasons why a bat is not regarded a bird.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Mention **two** characteristics of birds.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Name **two** habitats for birds

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### CLASSIFICATION OF ANIMALS BASING ON ANUMBER OF LEGS

#### Animals with no legs.

- |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|
| 1. Worms  | 3. Snails |
| 2. Snakes | 4. Slugs  |

#### Animals with two legs.

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|----------|--------|
| a. Birds | b. Man |
|----------|--------|

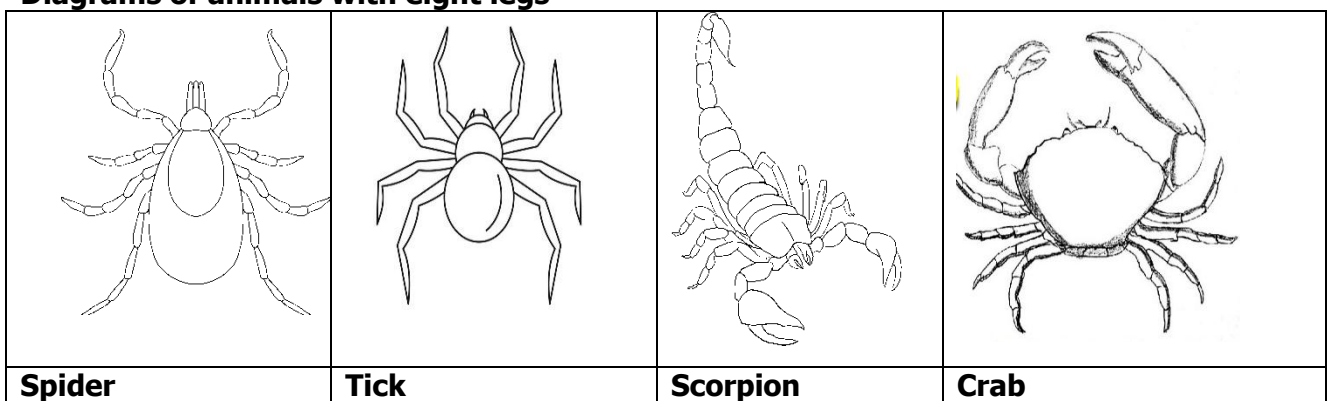
#### Animals with four legs.

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|----------|----------|----------|
| 1. Dogs  | 4. Sheep | 7. Frogs |
| 2. Cats  | 5. Pigs  |          |
| 3. Goats | 6. Lions |          |

#### Animals with eight legs.

- |             |            |         |
|-------------|------------|---------|
| a. Ticks    | c. Spider  | e. Crab |
| b. Scorpion | d. Lobster |         |

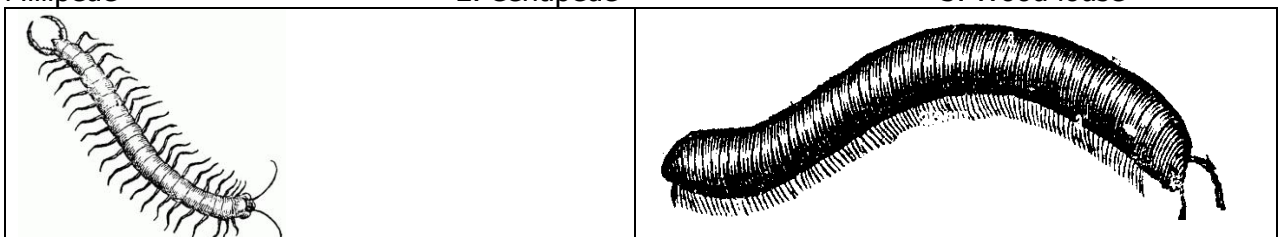
#### Diagrams of animals with eight legs



Spider and a tick are the best examples of animals with two main body parts.

#### Animals with more than eight legs.

- |              |              |               |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1. Millipede | 2. Centipede | 3. Wood louse |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|



**ACTIVITY**

1. State any **two** animals with no legs.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention any **two** animals with two legs.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Draw and name any **two** animals with four legs.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name any **two** animals with eight legs.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. State any **two** animals with eight legs

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Name any **two** animals with more than eight legs.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. How are legs important to the animals?

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Suggest **two** reasons why animals move.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

**LESSON****INSECTS****Animals with six legs.**

Animals with six legs are generally called insects.

**Characteristics of true insects.**

1. True insects have three main body parts.
2. True insects have six legs.
3. They have a pair of wings
4. They breathe through spiracles
5. True insects have compound eyes.

**Examples of true insects.**

- |               |              |             |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1. Bees       | 4. Housefly  | 7. Termites |
| 2. Tsetse fly | 5. Cockroach |             |
| 3. Butterfly  | 6. Wasp      |             |

❖ The legs and wings of an insect are attached to the thorax.

❖ Insects use spiracles for breathing.

**What different insects feed on:**

1. Termites feed on dead plant material.
2. Grasshoppers feed on grass.
3. Butterflies feed on nectar.
4. A housefly feeds on juice from rotting matter.
5. Cockroach feeds on paper and leftover food.

**Note:**

A housefly uses a proboscis for sucking juice from rotting matter.

**Social insects.**

Social insects are insects that work and live together in colonies.

### Examples of social insects

- a) Termites
- b) Bees
- c) Wasps
- d) Safari ants.

### Houses of insects that live in colonies.

- a) Bees - hive
- b) Termites - mound
- c) Black wasps - nest

### ACTIVITY

1. Name the animals with six legs.

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2. State any **two** characteristics of true insects.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention any **two** examples of true insects.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention any **two** parts of an insect which are attached to the thorax.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Name the special organ that insects use for breathing.

\_\_\_\_\_

6. What does housefly use for sucking juice from rotting matter?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. What are social insects?

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8. Give **two** examples of social insects

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### Bees

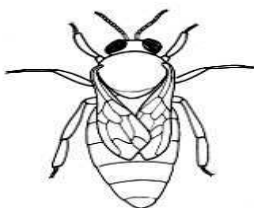
Bees are social insects that live in colonies.

- a) One colony of bees lives in a beehive.
- b) Bees lay their eggs in combs.
- c) Combs are made of wax.
- d) Bees feed on nectar.
- e) A queen bee and a drone are the only fertile insects in a bee colony.
- f) Excess nectar is stored as honey.
- g) The worker bee is sterile (infertile)

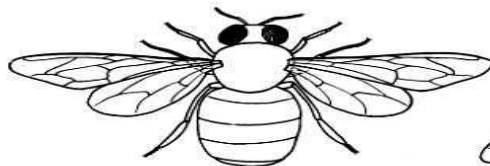
#### There are three types of bees in a colony.

- a) Worker bee
- b) Queen bee
- c) Drone bee

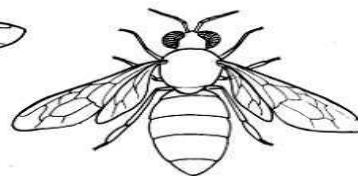
#### Pictures of the types bees



Drone bee



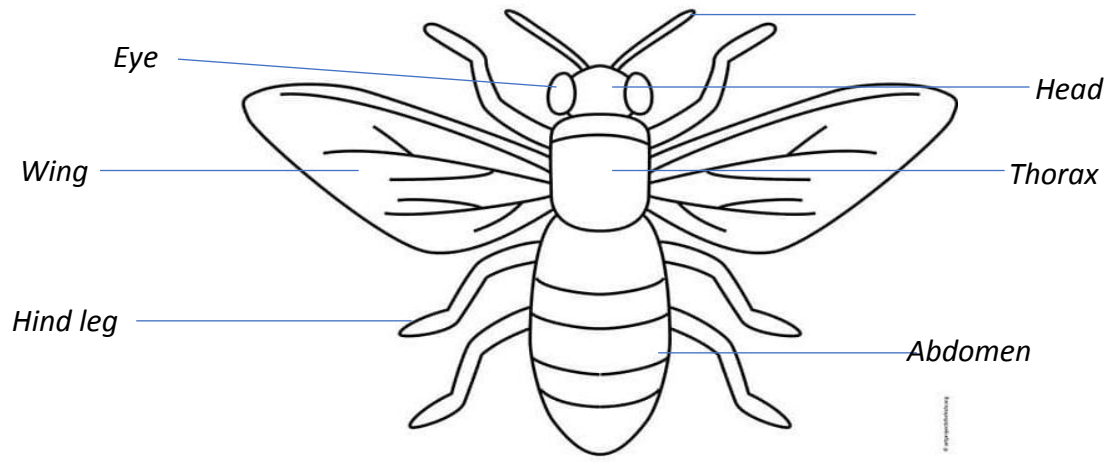
Queen bee



Worker bee

#### Parts of a bee

*Antenna*



### Caring for bees

1. Provide bees with a hive
2. Plant flowers within the location of the hives
3. Provide water to the bees
4. Provide something sweet to the bees
5. Protect the bees from their enemies

### ACTIVITY

1. Why are bees called social insects?

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2. What do bees feed on?

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3. Name **three** types of bees

(i) 

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(ii) 

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4. Mention **two** products we get from the bees.

(i) 

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(ii) 

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5. State **two** ways of caring for bees.

(i) 

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(ii) 

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6. Where do bees live?

### LESSON

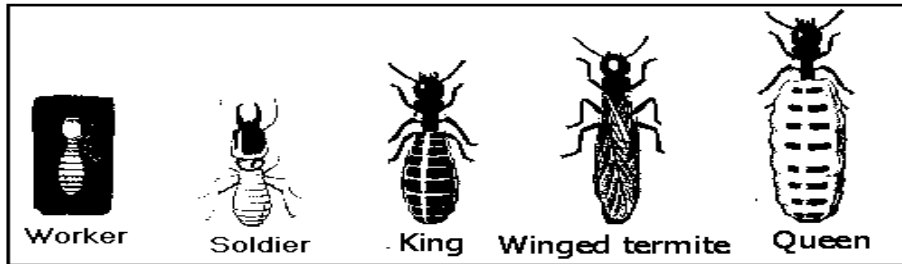
#### Termites:

Termites are social insects.  
They live in a termite mound.

#### Types of termites

- ❖ Soldier termites
- ❖ King termites
- ❖ Queen termites
- ❖ Winged termites
- ❖ Worker termites.

## Diagram of types of termites



### Functions of each termite in a mound.

- King termite fertilizes the eggs of a queen.
- Queen termite lays eggs.
- Soldier termite defends or guards the mound.
- Winged termites develop into queens or kings after the wedding flight.
- Worker termite collects food and builds the mound.

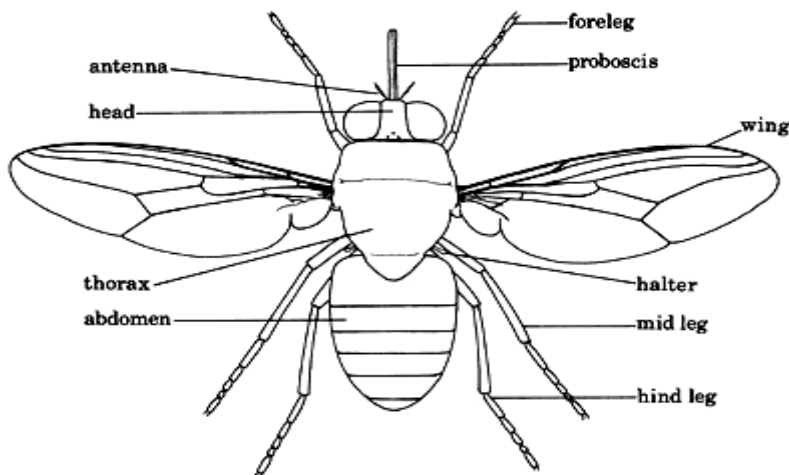
### Solitary insects

Solitary insects are insects that move and stay alone.

### Examples of solitary insects.

- Houseflies.
- Cockroaches.
- Mosquitoes.
- Butterflies.

## ACTIVITY



## LESSON

### Water animals

These are animals that live in water most of their lifetime.

### Examples of water animals

- |              |                 |                 |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. Crab      | 4. Hippopotamus | 7. Water Snails |
| 2. Fish      | 5. Octopus      | 8. Frogs        |
| 3. Crocodile | 6. Water snakes |                 |

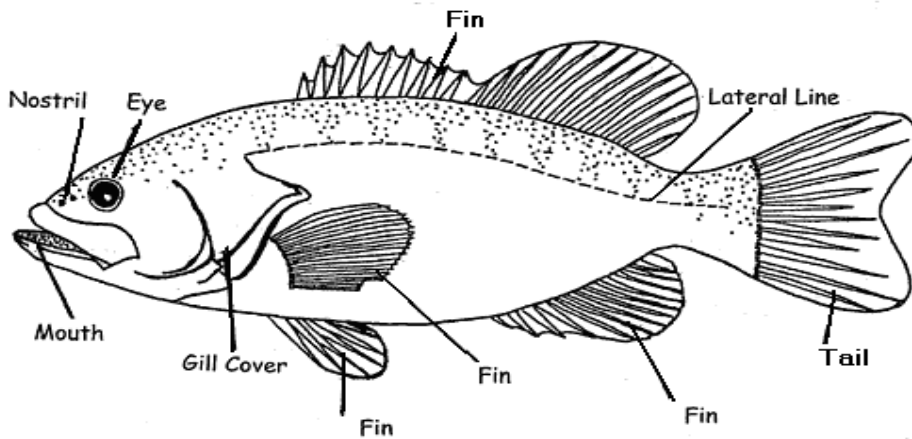
### Different types of fish

- |              |              |                |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1. Mud fish  | 4. Shark     | 7. Silver fish |
| 2. Lung fish | 5. Cart fish |                |
| 3. Tilapia   | 6. Herring   |                |

### Note.

- A Young fish is called a **fry**.
- An Aquarium is a man-made container for keeping water animals.

## External parts of a fish



### Functions of different parts of a fish

- a) Nostrils are for smelling.
- b) Lateral line is for detecting movement in water.
- c) Fins are for balancing in water.
- d) Scales protect the body of a fish.
- e) Gill cover protects the gills.
- f) A fish uses gills for breathing.

### Uses of fish to man

- a) Fish provide us with meat.
- b) Fish are sold to get money.
- c) Some fish are used as medicine e.g. Silver fish and herrings.
- d) Fish bones are used for making glue.

## ACTIVITY

1. Give another name for water animals.

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Mention **two** examples of water animals

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. State any **two** different types of fish

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. What name is given to the young fish?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. What is an aquarium?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Draw and name the following parts of a fish.

(a) nostrils

(b) scales

(c) gill

7. Which part of a fish has the same role as the nose in human being? \_\_\_\_\_

8. How do fish move? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Give any **two** uses of fish to man.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_



## LESSON

### Why animals move.

1. To look for Food
2. To look for Shelter
3. For Protection.
4. To look for their young ones
5. To look for Jobs in case of people.
6. To look for their mates.

### Ways in which different animals move

- |               |               |                |
|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. By jumping | 3. By running | 5. By crawling |
| 2. By walking | 4. By flying  | 6. By swimming |

### General uses of animals

1. Some animals provide us with meat
2. Some animals provide us with milk.
3. Man gets hide and skin from animals
4. Animals like sheep and rabbits provide us with wool.
5. Some animals are used for protection e.g. dog.
6. Some animals are used for transport e.g. donkey, camel, horse.
7. Man gets money after selling some animals at home.
8. The bones and horns of animals are used for making buttons, glue and fertilizers
9. Man gets local medicine from some animals

### Caring for domestic birds and other animals

1. Protect their nests
2. Protect the birds
3. Keep records
4. Be kind to the birds
5. Participate in grooming
6. Feed the birds
7. Clean the animal habitats
8. Prepare habitats for them
9. Treat sick ones

### Caring for wild birds and other animals

1. Protect them from hunters
2. Discourage bush burning
3. Avoid deforestation
4. Avoid swamp drainage
5. Provide food, protection and medication to animals in gazette areas
6. Avoid poaching and unnecessary killings of animals

## ACTIVITY

1. State any **two** reasons why animals move from one place to another.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Mention **two** ways in which different animals move.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name any **two** animals which move through:  
(a) Walking  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) Flying  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Mention any **two** uses of animals to people.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_

- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. What are pack animals?
6. Mention any **two** pack animals
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. State **two** uses of pack animals.
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
8. State **two** ways of caring for domestic birds and animals.
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Suggest **two** ways of caring for sick wild birds and other animals
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Mention **two** ways in which animals without legs can move.
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
11. In which way is the movement of a snake different from that of a frog?
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## THEME : MATTER AND ENERGY

### TOPIC 3: BASIC TECHNOLOGY IN OUR SUB-COUNTY

#### LESSON

#### TECHNOLOGY

Technology is the scientific and practical way of solving problems.

#### Types of technology:

- ❖ Modern technology.
- ❖ Local technology

#### Modern technology

This is the use of modern science in all aspects of life

#### Local technology

Local technology is the slow production of materials using manual process.

#### Materials

A material is any matter from which things can be made.

#### Types of materials

1. Natural materials
2. Artificial materials.

#### Natural materials.

These are things got from the natural environment.

#### Examples of natural materials

- |                    |              |                |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1. Palm leaves     | 5. Clay soil | 9. Sandy soil  |
| 2. Skins and hides | 6. Fruits    | 10. Bark cloth |
| 3. Banana fibres   | 7. Water     | 11. Raffia     |
| 4. Papyrus reeds   | 8. Leaves    | 12. Beads      |

#### Sources of natural materials.

- |             |           |
|-------------|-----------|
| (a) Plants  | (c) Water |
| (b) Animals | (d) Soil  |

#### Places where we get natural materials

- |            |           |
|------------|-----------|
| ❖ Swamps   | ❖ Forests |
| ❖ Lakes    |           |
| ❖ Bushes   |           |
| ❖ Gardens  |           |
| ❖ Thickets |           |

## ACTIVITY

1. Define the term technology.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. State **two** types of technology.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name the type of technology which deals with the use of modern science in all aspects of life.  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. What is local technology?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What are materials?  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. State **two** types of materials.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. What are natural materials?  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Mention **two** examples of natural materials  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Name **two** sources of natural materials.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Suggest **two** places where we get natural materials  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Things made from natural materials.

- |           |   |              |   |           |
|-----------|---|--------------|---|-----------|
| ✓ Ropes   | - | Shoes        | - | Door mats |
| ✓ Mats    | - | Belts        | - | Clothes   |
| ✓ Baskets | - | Bark Cloth   | - | Bags      |
| ✓ Pots    | - | Hats         |   |           |
| ✓ Juice   | - | Papyrus mats |   |           |

### Characteristics of natural materials

- a) They are made by God.
- b) They are heavy.
- c) They are found within natural environment
- d) They are cheap.
- e) They do not have specific colours.

### Importance of making things from natural materials.

- |                     |                           |                 |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| a) For selling      | d) For decoration         | g) For wearing. |
| b) For eating       | e) For developing skills  |                 |
| c) For playing with | f) For learning purposes. |                 |

### Processes of making things out of natural materials

- | Process    | Material               | Products |
|------------|------------------------|----------|
| ✓ Pounding | maize, sorghum         | Flour    |
| ✓ Grinding | wheat, millet, cassava | Flour    |

✓ Squeezing	oranges, pineapples	Juice
✓ Blending	mangoes, carrots, passion fruits	Sauce
✓ Cooking	leaves	Herbal medicine

### ACTIVITY

- State any **two** things made from natural materials.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Mention **two** characteristics of natural materials  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Give **two** importance of making things from natural materials.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Complete the table below.**

Process	Material	Products
Pounding	_____	Flour
_____	Millet, cassava	_____
Cooking	leaves	_____
Squeezing	_____	_____
- Mention **two** examples of materials that can be pounded to get flour.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- By what process can we get juice out of oranges?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Draw and name any **two** playing materials made of natural materials.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- Name the source of material used for making clay post.

### LESSON

#### Crafts:

Crafts are things made out of local materials.

#### Materials

❖ Skins	-	Belts, hats, shoes
❖ Banana fibres	-	ropes, baskets, door mats
❖ Palm leaves	-	mats, hats, baskets, satchel
❖ Sisal	-	ropes
❖ Raffia	-	ropes, mats, baskets
❖ Papyrus reeds	-	papyrus mats, hats.
❖ Clay	-	pots, charcoal stoves.

#### Products

#### Artificial materials

These are manmade things used to make other products.

#### Examples of artificial materials

- |              |             |             |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. Straws    | 4. Threads  | 7. Leathers |
| 2. Polythene | 5. Plastics |             |
| 3. Wires     | 6. Wax      |             |

#### Sources of artificial materials

❖ Plants	❖ Water
❖ Animals	❖ Minerals

#### Places from where we can get artificial materials

- |           |            |              |
|-----------|------------|--------------|
| 1. Swamps | 3. Bushes  | 5. Forest    |
| 2. Lakes  | 4. Gardens | 6. Factories |

#### Products from artificial materials

- |            |         |             |
|------------|---------|-------------|
| 1. Candles | 2. Mats | 3. Toy cars |
|------------|---------|-------------|

- |             |                        |           |
|-------------|------------------------|-----------|
| 4. Toys     | 7. Flowers             | 10. Dolls |
| 5. Bicycles | 8. Hats                |           |
| 6. Bags     | 9. Artificial flowers. |           |

### Characteristics of artificial materials

- ❖ They are made by people.
- ❖ They are light.
- ❖ They have specific colours.
- ❖ They are expensive.

### Importance of making products out of artificial materials.

1. For sale
2. For playing with
3. For decoration
4. For developing talents
5. For wearing e.g. necklaces, bracelets, earring.

## ACTIVITY

1. What name is given to the things made out of local materials?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What are artificial materials?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention **two** examples of artificial materials.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. State **two** sources of artificial materials.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Name **two** places from where we can get artificial materials.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Write **two** products from artificial materials.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. State **two** characteristics of artificial materials.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Mention **two** importance of making products out of artificial materials.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Mention **two** items made out of skins.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

10. What name is given to the materials made out of clay soil?

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## LESSON

### Recyclable materials.

These are factory made materials that can be used again when remade.

Several artificial materials are made out of recycled materials.

### Examples of recyclable materials.

- |             |                    |
|-------------|--------------------|
| 1. Papers   | 3. Metallic scraps |
| 2. Plastics | 4. Polyethene bags |

### Reasons why we recycle materials

To avoid over exploitation

To avoid wastage of materials  
To save the environment from damage

### Importance of technology

1. It is a source of income
2. It helps in making play materials
3. It is used for decoration
4. It is used for making clothes
5. Technology helps people to get food.

### ACTIVITY

1. What name is given to the factory made materials that can be used again when remade?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. State any **two** examples of recyclable materials.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Why are plastics called recyclable materials?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Mention **two** reasons why we recycle polythene bags.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. State **two** importance of technology.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Suggest any **two** disadvantage of technology.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Draw and name any **three** items made out of recyclable materials


### THEME : MATTER AND ENERGY

### TOPIC 4 : ENERGY IN OUR SUB-COUNTY

### LESSON

**Energy** is the ability to do work.

### Forms of energy

- |                  |                        |                  |
|------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| a) Light energy. | c) Sound energy.       | e) Solar energy. |
| b) Heat energy.  | d) Electricity energy. |                  |

### Sources of energy

- |                     |                        |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Natural sources. | 2. Artificial sources. |
|---------------------|------------------------|

### Artificial sources of energy

This is a source of energy which is made by man.

### Examples of artificial sources of energy are;

- |                             |                |              |
|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 1. Diesel, petrol, paraffin | 3. Electricity | 5. Batteries |
| 2. Charcoal                 | 4. Fire        |              |

### Uses of artificial energy

### Uses of diesel and Petrol

1. It is used to run vehicles.

2. Diesel oil is used for heating homes.
3. Petrol is used for heating homes.
4. Petrol is used as a solvent.
5. Petrol and diesel are used in generators to produce electricity.

#### Uses of paraffin

1. For lighting
2. For cooking
3. It can be used in generators to produce electricity.

#### ACTIVITY

1. What is energy?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Mention any **two** forms of energy.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. State **two** uses of paraffin in our life.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Identify any **two** examples of natural sources of energy.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Give any **three** examples of artificial sources of energy.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Mention any **one** use of petrol and diesel to people.  
\_\_\_\_\_

#### ACTIVITY

#### Uses of wood/charcoal

1. For cooking
2. For roasting maize
3. For baking bread
4. For study purpose
5. For making campfire

#### Uses of hydro electricity

Electricity is used for;

- |   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| 1. Running refrigerators                      | 4. Water heating       |
| 2. Lightning                                  | 5. Cell phone charging |
| 3. Washing                                    | 6. Ironing clothes     |
| 7. Industrial machines are run by electricity |                        |

#### Examples of things that use electricity at home

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|---------------------|------------------|---------------|
| 1. Washing machines | 3. Telephones    | 5. Television |
| 2. Flatiron         | 4. Refrigerators | 6. Computers. |

#### ACTIVITY

1. Name the source of hydro electricity.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. In which **two** ways can electricity promote personal hygiene?  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name the natural source of fuel used by people in the villages  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. How is electricity important to a mobile phone user?

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5. State any **two** uses of electricity at home.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Mention at least **two** things that use electricity at home.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Natural sources of energy

This is a source of energy which is made by God.

#### Examples of natural sources of energy are;

- |           |                           |
|-----------|---------------------------|
| 1. Wind.  | 3. Sunlight and sun heat. |
| 2. Water. | 4. Firewood.              |

### Uses of each energy resources

#### 1. Wind

##### Wind helps in:

- a) sailing boats.
- b) driving windmills
- c) winnowing.
- d) drying clothes.

#### 2. Water

- a) Running water helps in producing hydroelectricity.
- b) Steam runs steam engine.

#### 3. Sun heat

Sunshine is the heat and light we get from the sunshine

##### Importance of sun heat

- a) Provides vitamin D.
- b) Increases temperature hence providing warmth.
- c) Provides solar electricity.
- d) Helps in drying clothes.

##### Sunlight

- a) Enables us to see.
- b) Helps in photosynthesis.

#### 4. Firewood

- a) Provides heat when burnt.
- b) Provides light when burnt.

### Ways of saving energy

- a) Use energy saving stoves and bulbs.
- b) Switch off electrical appliances when not in use.
- c) Put out burning charcoal after use.
- d) Following instructions on proper use of energy
- e) By planting trees

### Importance of saving energy

- a) It reduces wastage of resources.
- b) It reduces cost on energy resources.
- c) For future use.

### Dangers of energy

- a) Electricity kills people and destroys property.
- b) Live wires can shock people to death
- c) Fire outbreak kills people and destroys property.
- d) Strong wind destroys crops and property.



- e) Storm can capsize boats.
- f) Sun's heat can lead into drought.

### Ways of preventing the dangers of energy

- a) Plant trees to act as windbreaks.
- b) Avoid playing with fire.
- c) Don't push nails into electric sockets.
- d) Don't play with electric wires.
- e) Have fire extinguisher at home to help when there is fire outbreak.
- f) Make posters to sensitize people on the dangers of energy.

### ACTIVITY

1. State any **two** dangers of energy to people.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Suggest any **two** ways of avoiding dangers of energy.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Mention any things at your home that use electricity.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Suggest at least **two** uses of petrol and diesel to people
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Suggest at least **two** artificial sources of energy used by people in the villages
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Suggest any **three** ways of saving energy at home
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. Give any **two** ways of avoiding dangers caused by energy.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Give any **two** dangers of saving energy
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

### LESSON

#### THEME: THE ENVIRONMENT

#### TOPIC 5: WEATHER IN OUR SUB COUNTY/ DIVISION

### WEATHER

Weather is the condition of the atmosphere at a given time.

The average weather condition of a place recorded for a long period of time is called **climate**

### Types / states / conditions of weather

1. Rainy weather
2. Sunny weather
3. Cloudy weather
4. Windy weather

### Elements of weather (factors / weather makers / aspects of weather

- |                 |                |         |
|-----------------|----------------|---------|
| 1. Rainfall     | 4. Sunshine    |         |
| 2. Humidity     | 5. Temperature | 7. Wind |
| 3. Air pressure | 6. Cloud cover |         |

### ACTIVITY

1. What is weather?

2. What term is used to mean the average weather condition of a place recorded for a long period of time? \_\_\_\_\_
3. State any **two** conditions of weather.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Mention any **two** conditions of weather which affects farming greatly.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Which element of weather shows rainfall? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Mention any **two** elements of weather.
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
7. **Match the weather condition to the correct weather maker**

Weather condition	Weather maker
Windy	Cloud cover
Cloudy	Rainfall
Rainy	Sunshine
Sunny	Wind

## LESSON

### Rainfall

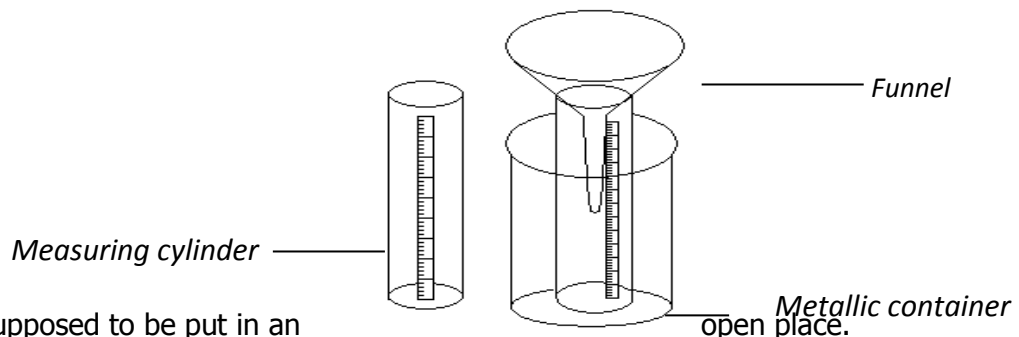
**Rain** is water falling in separate drops from clouds.

**Rainfall** is the amount of rain water that falls in a certain area at a certain time.

The measuring units of rainfall are millimetres (mm)

### Instruments used to measure rainfall

Rainfall is measured by an instrument called a rain gauge



Rain gauge is supposed to be put in an

### Reasons why a rain gauge put in an open place

- To get the correct amount of rainfall received.
- To prevent obstruction of rain drops.

The rain gauge should be raised 30cm above the ground to prevent running water from entering the measuring cylinder.

### Reason why rainfall is measured in millimeters

To know how deep rain water has entered the ground

### Types of rainfall

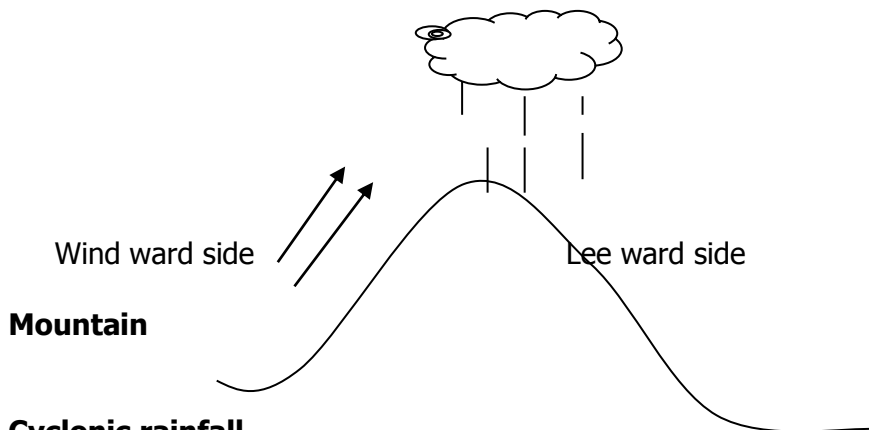
There are three types of rainfall namely:-

1. Relief rainfall
2. Convectional rainfall
3. Cyclonic rainfall.

### Relief rainfall

This is a type of rainfall received around mountainous and hilly places.

It is also known as **Orographic rainfall**.



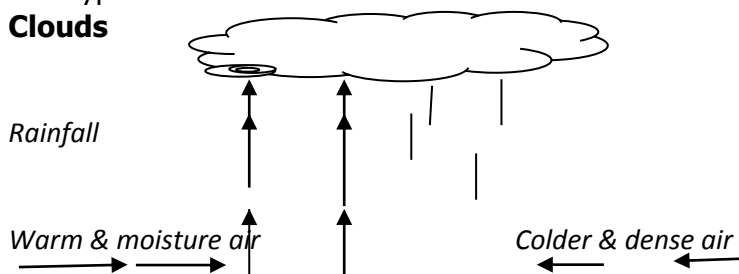
### Cyclonic rainfall

This is the type of rainfall received on land and places near water bodies.

It is formed in the same way as the water cycle.

This type of rainfall is received as a result of warm air meeting cold air in a certain place.

#### Clouds

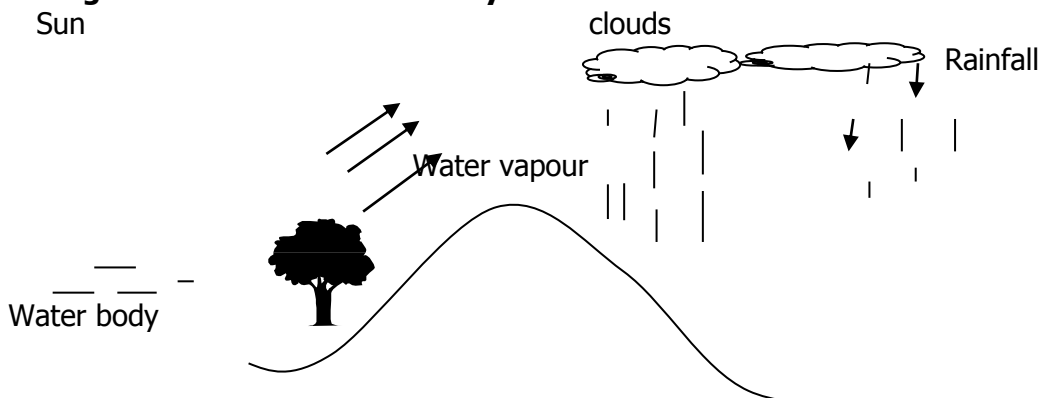


### Convictional rainfall:-

This is the type of rainfall received on land and places near water bodies.

It is formed in the same way as the water cycle.

**A diagram to illustrate a water cycle.**



### ACTIVITY

1. In which way is rain different from rainfall?

2. State the measuring units of rainfall.

Why is rain fall measured in millimeters?

3. How is a rain gauge important to a farmer?

4. Why is a rain gauge put in an open place?

5. Why is a rain gauge raised at least 30 cm off the ground?

6. Mention any **two** types of rainfall.

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. What are relief rainfall?

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Give another name for orographic rainfall.

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Name the type of rainfall received on land and places near water bodies.

## LESSON

**Water cycle** is a process by which rain is formed.

**Experiment to show a water cycle (diagram)**

Things to use

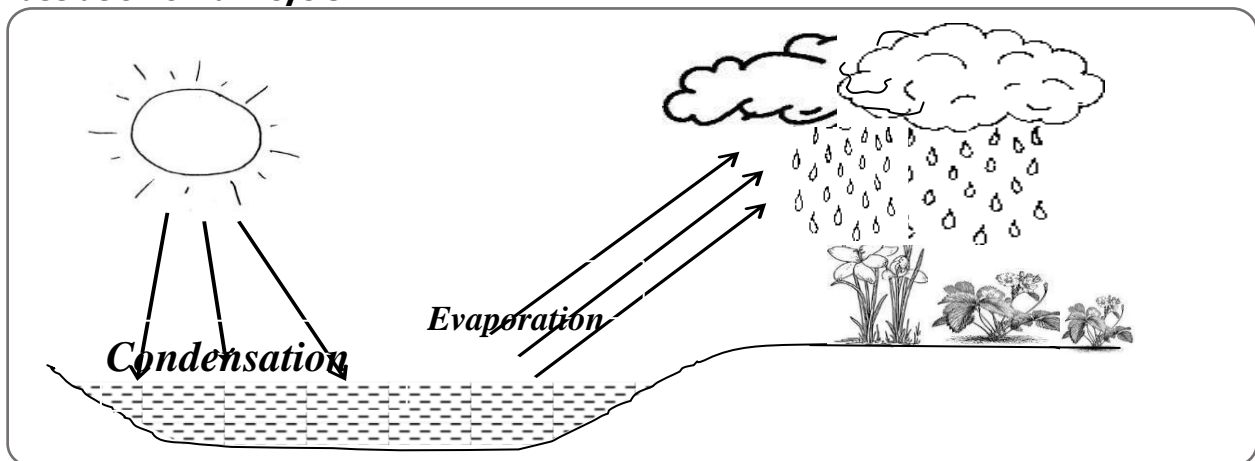
1. Kettle
2. Source of heat
3. Water
4. Cold container

**Comparison of the experiment to the rain cycle:**

**Kettle**-water body

**Fire**-sun

**Illustration of rain cycle**



**Note:**

Water cycle is a process by which rain is formed.

**The water cycle involves the following process:**

**1. Evaporation:**

This is a process by which water changes to vapour.

**2. Transpiration:**

This is the process by which plants lose water to the atmosphere in form of water vapour through the stomata.

**3. Condensation**

This is the process by which vapour changes into water.

**Steps in the water cycle.**

- water body and plants.
- transpiration occur. (Evapotranspiration).
- condenses to form clouds.
- heavy, they fall as rain by gravity.

The sun heats the

Evaporation and

Water vapour

When clouds are

## ACTIVITY

1. What is water cycle?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. State the main source of heat in the water cycle.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Name the process by which rain is formed.  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. By what process do water changes to vapour?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What is transpiration?  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Name the type of rainfall received in:  
(a) Forested areas: \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) Mountainous areas \_\_\_\_\_
7. Name the process by which vapour changes in to water  
\_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Importance of rainfall

1. It cools down the atmospheric temperature.
2. Rain is the main source of water.
3. It provides water for plant growth.
4. It helps farmers crops to grow and have good yields quickly.
5. It makes the soil soft for easy cultivation.
6. It increases the volume of water in water bodies for generation of electricity.

### Disadvantages (dangers) of too much / heavy rainfall

1. Too much rainfall cause floods.
2. A lot of rainfall causes delay in transport.
3. A lot of rainfall causes very cold temperature.
4. Brings difficulty in constructing roads, houses etc.
5. Too much rainfall can spoil crops and buildings.
6. It also kills people.

### Effects of rain on the environment

1. Rain reduces temperature in the environment
2. Rain reduces dust.
3. Rainfall softens soil

## ACTIVITY

1. What is rainfall?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. State any **two** importance of rainfall to:  
(a) Crops in the garden  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) The farmers.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Mention **two** disadvantages of heavy rainfall.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. In which **two** ways are rainfall a problem to crop farmers?  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. State any **two** effects of rain on the environment

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

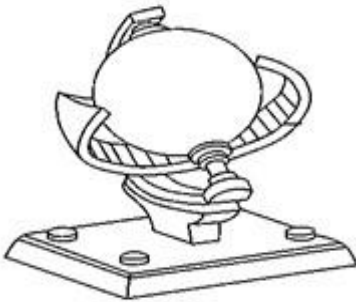
### SUNSHINE

Sunshine is the heat and light we get from the sun.

Sunshine is measured by an instrument called **sunshine recorder**.

Sunshine recorder is also called a Campbell's stroke.

#### Diagram of a sunshine recorder/ Campbell stroke



#### Advantages / uses / importance of sunshine

1. It helps in rain formation.
2. It dries harvested crops.
3. It helps plants to make their own food.
4. Helps our skin to make vitamin D.
5. It kills some germs.
6. It dries wet clothes
7. For generating solar electricity
8. For warmth

**Note: Sun** is the main natural source of heat and energy.

It provides us with vitamin D with the help of the skin.

#### Disadvantages / dangers of too much sunshine

1. It makes it very hot.
2. Too much sunshine makes the soil hard for cultivation.
3. It dries water sources.
4. It kills animals and plants.

#### Effects of sunshine in the environment:

1. Strong sunshine dries up water bodies.
2. Strong sunshine dries up plants in the garden.
3. Strong sunshine dries and hardens the soil.

## ACTIVITY

1. What is sunshine?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Name the main natural source of heat and energy

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What special name is given to the food made by the plants with the help of sunshine?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Name the type of vitamin made by the skin with the help of sunshine.

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Mention any **two** advantages of sunshine to the farmers.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. What causes drought?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. State any **two** dangers of too much sunshine.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Give **two** effects of sunshine in the environment.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Which season is characterized by plenty of rainfall?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. Name the instruments used to measure the intensity of sunshine.

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## LESSON

### Clouds

Clouds are made up of many droplets of water vapour in the atmosphere  
Clouds are grouped according to their heights and general shape.

#### Types of clouds

**(a) Circus clouds**

- They look like feathers in the sky.
- They are the farthest in the sky at a height of 800m to 16000m above the ground.

**(b) Cumulus clouds**

- They are white clouds which resemble cotton piles with a flat bottom.
- They can develop into thunder and thus they may indicate rain.

**(c) Stratus clouds:**

- They are nearer the earth than the cumulus cloud.
- They are a sign of fair weather.

**(d) Nimbus clouds:**

- They are clouds that bring us rain or give us rain.
- They are nearest to the earth.
- They are dark grey in colour.

#### Effects of clouds on the environment

1. Clouds block direct sunlight. This reduces the brightness in our environment.
2. Clouds lower the temperature in our environment by reducing heat from the sun.
3. Clouds bring rain

#### HUMIDITY:

Humidity is the amount of water vapour in the atmosphere.

When there is a lot of water vapour in the air, the weather is said to be **humid**.

Humidity is measured by an instrument called **hygrometer** or a wet and dry bulb.

## ACTIVITY

1. Which type of cloud look like feathers in the sky?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Name the farthest cloud in the sky.

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Mention **two** importance of cloud in the environment.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. State **two** types of clouds.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Which clouds bring us rain?

\_\_\_\_\_

6. How important is a nimbus cloud to the crop farmers?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. State any **two** effects of clouds on the environment.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. State **one** disadvantage of clouds to us.

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Name the weather instrument used to measure the intensity of cloud cover.

\_\_\_\_\_

10. Define humidity.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## TEMPERATURE

**Temperature** is the degree of hotness or coldness of an object or a place.

The instrument used to measure temperature is called a thermometer.

**A thermometer is read in two scales namely:-**

- ❖ Degrees Celsius / centigrade
- ❖ Degrees Fahrenheit.

Temperature is measured in **degrees**

### Types of thermometers

1. Clinical thermometer
2. Minimum and maximum thermometer.
3. Ordinary Scientific thermometer
4. Wall thermometer

#### 1. Clinical thermometer

It is used in hospitals by doctors, nurses, etc to measure the human body temperature.

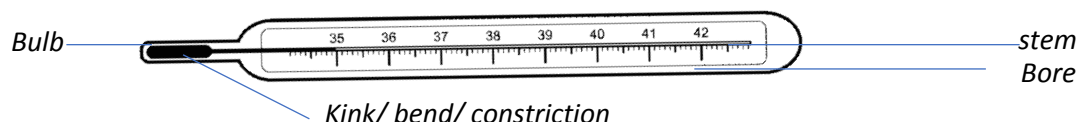
The temperature of a human body must remain constant at  $37^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $98.4^{\circ}\text{F}$  except when the person is sick or has fever.

**places where the clinical thermometer is placed to find the actual temperature**

1. In the mouth but under the tongue to prevent biting and breaking the bulb.
2. In the arm pit.
3. In the anus
4. In the vagina.

NB: These parts maintain the temperature.

#### Diagram of a clinical thermometer



**Kink** prevents the back flow of mercury before readings are taken.

**Bulb** stores mercury.

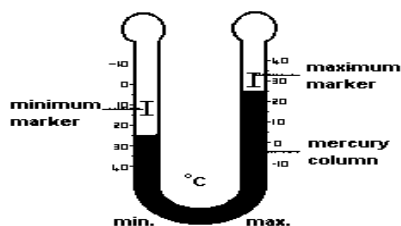
**Stem** magnifies mercury thread.

- It protects the bore.
- It is where the thermometer reading is taken.

**Bore** allows expansion and contraction of mercury.

**Glass envelope** acts as a magnifying glass

#### Minimum and maximum thermometer



It is also called the six's thermometer because it was first made by James six.

The minimum and maximum thermometer is used to measure the lowest and highest temperature of the day.

It uses both alcohol and mercury.



## ACTIVITY

1. What is temperature?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Name the instrument used to measure temperature.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Name any **two** liquids used in Six's thermometer.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. State any **two** types of thermometers  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. State the unit used when reading and recording temperature on a clinical thermometer.  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Name the thermometer used doctors to measure the human body temperature.  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Name **one** place where the clinical thermometer is placed to find the actual temperature within human body. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Which part of clinical thermometer prevents the back flow of mercury before readings are taken  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. State **two** uses of stem on a clinical thermometer.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Which part of a clinical thermometer allows expansion and contraction of mercury?  
\_\_\_\_\_
11. Which thermometer is used to measure the lowest and highest temperature of the day?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### Weather station

Weather station is a place where weather conditions are measured and recorded.

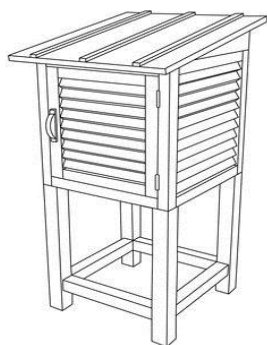
In a weather station, we find the Stevenson screen where delicate weather instrument are kept.

### Examples of delicate weather instruments.

1. Barometer
2. Hygrometer
3. Six's thermometer

A Stevenson screen is a wooden box in which some delicate weather instruments are kept safely. It is painted white to reflect heat and it has louvers allow in free circulation of air.

### Diagram of a Stevenson screen.



### Weather forecasting

This is the predicting of weather changes.

- It is done by **meteorologists**.
- The study of weather changes is called meteorology.

### Importance of weather forecasting.

1. It helps farmers to plan for their farming activities.
2. It helps travelers to know the type of clothes to wear.
3. It is where delicate weather instruments are kept.

## ACTIVITY

1. Mention any **two** instruments found in a weather station.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Why should weather station be fenced?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Who is a meteorologist?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. What is weather forecasting?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Mention any **two** importance of weather forecasting.  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_
6. What is meteorology?  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Name the wooden box in which some delicate weather instruments are kept safely.  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Name any two delicate weather instruments kept in the box named above.  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. How important are louvers to the Stevenson screen?  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. Why is a Stevenson screen painted white?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### AIR

Air is a mixture of gases.

#### Components of air

Components of air are gases that make up air.

#### Gases that make up air are;

1. Carbon dioxide
2. Nitrogen
3. Oxygen
4. Rare gases.

#### Properties of air

- |                        |                           |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Air exerts pressure | 3. Air can be compressed. |
| 2. Air has weight.     | 4. Air occupies space.    |

#### Uses of different gases

##### Oxygen

Oxygen is used in:

- |            |                |                |
|------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1. Burning | 2. Respiration | 3. Germination |
|------------|----------------|----------------|

##### Carbon dioxide

1. It is used to put out fire (extinguish fire)
2. Preservation of foods and drinks.
3. Plants use it in the process of photosynthesis.

##### Note

carbon dioxide is used in fire extinguisher because it does not support burning.

##### Nitrogen and rare gases

They are used in making of bulbs.

## ACTIVITY

1. What is air?

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2. State any **two** components of air.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. State any **two** properties of air.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. State any **two** biological processes which require oxygen.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

5. In which ways is the respiration similar to germination?

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6. Why is carbon dioxide used in fire extinguishers?

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7. Name the gas used in preservation of foods and drinks.

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8. Why is the gas stated above used in preservation of foods and drinks?

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9. Mention any **two** soft drinks preserved by use of carbon dioxide.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

10. Name one component of air used in making of bulbs.

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## LESSON

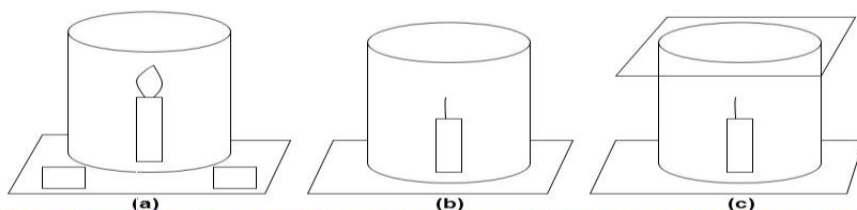
### An experiment to show that air supports burning

#### Things needed;

a. Candle

b. Matchbox

c. Glass cup



Fix a lighted candle on a table. Put a glass chimney over the table and rest it on a few wooden blocks in such a way so that air can enter the chimney. Observe what happens to the flame.

Now remove the blocks and let the chimney rest on the table. Again observe the flame.

Then put a glass plate over the chimney. Observe the flame again.

The candle burns freely in (a) because air enters the chimney from below. The candle stops burning in (b) because air does not enter the chimney from below.

The candle does not burn in (c) because air is not available.

This shows that air is necessary for burning.

#### Observation

a. The flame burns for a short time then goes off (out)

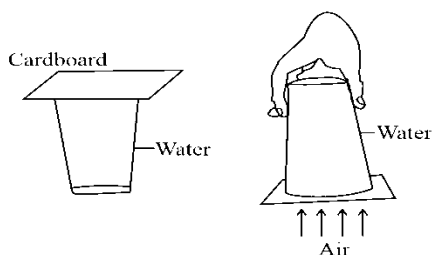
b. The flame goes out because there is no more oxygen to support it burning.

## Conclusion

Air supports burning.

**Note** the part of air that supports burning is oxygen.

## Experiment to show that air exerts pressure



### Things needed

- Glass cup.
- Water
- Cardboard paper.

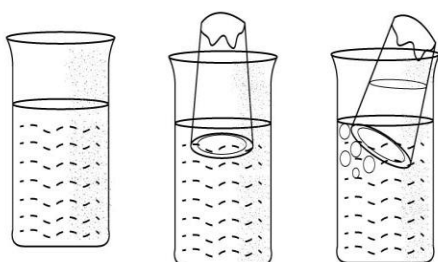
### Steps to follow

- Fill a glass cup with water
- Cover the filled glass cup with the card paper.
- Turn the glass cup upside down:

## Observation

The card paper does not fall off because air is exerting pressure on it.

## Experiment to show that air occupies space



### Things needed;

- ✓ Glass cup
- ✓ Basin
- ✓ Water.

### Steps

- ❖ Put water in a basin.
- ❖ Turn the empty glass upside down and lower it into the water.
- ❖ Tilt the glass cup slightly.

## Observation

The air bubbles seen (observed) shows that air was in the glass.

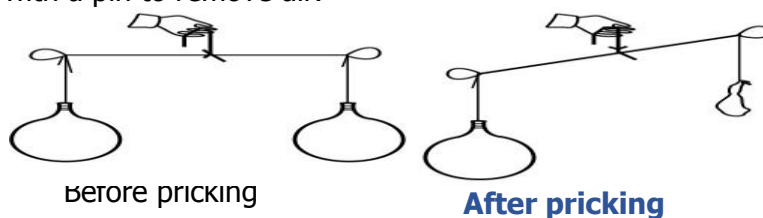
## Experiment to show that air has weight

### Things needed

- ❖ Beam balance
- ❖ 2 Balloons
- ❖ Pin.

### Steps to follow

- Fill the balloons with air.
- Then tie a balloon on each side of the beam balance
- Prick one balloon with a pin to remove air.



## Observation

The balloon with air moves down wards to show that it is heavier.

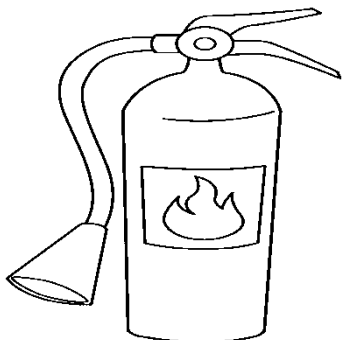
## Air can be compressed

### Some other things where compressed air is used are:

- Gas cylinders.
- Playing balls
- Tubes in bicycle/motorcycle tyres and car tyres.

### General uses of air

- Air is used during burning.
- Air is used during respiration.
- Air is used during germination.
- Air is used during photosynthesis.
- Air is used in putting out fire.
- Air is used during preserving tinned food and drink.



## LESSON

### WIND

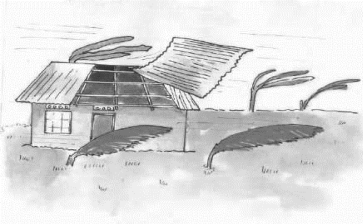
Wind is moving air/ it is the air in motion.

#### Types of wind

- |                |                 |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| (a) Calm wind  | (c) Strong wind | (e) Stormy wind |
| (b) Light wind | (d) Gale wind   |                 |

#### Uses of wind

1. Wind is use to run boats.
2. Wind is used to run machines e.g. windmills
3. Wind is used for winnowing.
4. Wind dries our clothing.
5. Wind helps in pollination
6. Wind helps in seed dispersal



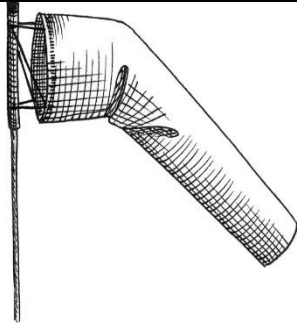
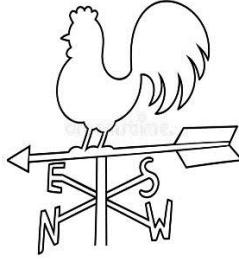
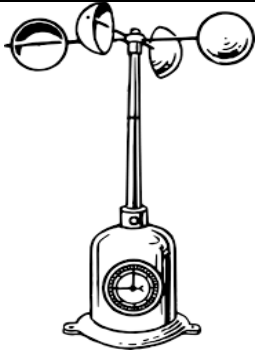
#### Dangers of wind

- (a) Strong wind blows off roofs of houses.
- (b) Strong wind destroys crops and trees.
- (c) Wind blows away topsoil.
- (d) Strong wind slows down the speed of moving objects.
- (e) Strong wind capsizes boats.
- (f) Spread diseases.

#### Aspects of wind

- |                  |                   |               |
|------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1. Wind strength | 2. Wind direction | 3. Wind speed |
|------------------|-------------------|---------------|

#### Diagram showing wind instruments.

Wind sock	Wind vane	Anemometer
		
<b>It measures wind strength</b>	<b>It measures wind direction</b>	<b>It measures wind speed</b>

### ACTIVITY

1. What is wind?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. State **two** types of wind.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Mention any **two** importance of wind to plants  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
4. State any **two** uses of wind to people.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Name the use of the following wind instruments.  
 (a) Wind sock \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Wind vane \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Anemometer \_\_\_\_\_
6. State **two** uses of wind to a farmer.  
 (i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Mention **two** aspects of wind that we measure and record.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

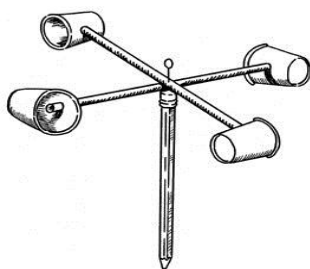
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Give any **two** disadvantages of wind.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. **Below is a diagram of a weather instrument. Use it to answer questions that follow.**



10. Name the wind instrument shown below.

\_\_\_\_\_

11. What is the use of weather instrument shown above?

\_\_\_\_\_

12. Which aspect of wind is recorded using the instrument above?

\_\_\_\_\_

13. Mention any other **two** wind instruments found at weather station.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

## LESSON

### **Water:**

Water is the colorless and tasteless liquid formed from hydrogen and oxygen.

### **Natural sources of water**

- These are God-made e.g. lakes, oceans, wells, streams, rivers, swamps, springs, rainfall
- Rainfall is the main natural source of water.

### **Artificial sources of water**

These are man-made sources of water e.g. boreholes, ponds, dams, wells

### **Water harvesters**

Water harvesters refers to containers in which we collect and store water.

### **Examples of water harvesters**

Tanks, drums, buckets, jerrycans, pots and basins

### **Properties of pure water**

1. It has no colour
2. It has no taste
3. It has no smell
4. It takes the shape of the container

### **Domestic uses of water to people**

1. Water is used for cooking.
2. We use water for drinking.
3. We use water for bathing
4. We use water for washing
5. We use water for cleaning

### **Industrial uses of water to people**

1. For washing machines
2. Mixing building materials
3. For irrigation.

### **Other uses of water to people**

1. Water is used for transport
2. Generating electricity
3. Irrigation
4. Recreational activities e.g. swimming, boat racing, raffling
5. Used for cooling and washing machines in industries

### **Uses of water to plants**

1. It is used for germination
2. For photosynthesis

3. For transpiration
4. It dissolves mineral salts

### Ways of saving water.

1. Through building water tanks.
2. Through constructing valley dams.
3. By closing taps when not in use.

### ACTIVITY

1. Name the main natural source of water in the environment.

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2. Mention **two** other natural sources of water.

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(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. State any **two** artificial sources of water.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Draw and name any **two** examples of water harvesters.

Jerry cans	Pots	Tank

5. State any **two** properties of pure water

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Give any **two** uses of water to people at home.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Mention **two** industrial uses of water to people

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

8. State any **two** importance of water to plants.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Mention **two** ways of saving water to be used in the dry season.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

10. Mention **two** importance of saving water to be used at home.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_