Structure of Flowering Plants



You need to know details on...

- **1. Structure & function of root and shoot systems**
- 2. Root zonations and all outer stem parts
- 3. Meristem function / location in root & shoot
- 4. Location of 3 tissue types in transverse and long sections of root and stem
- 5. Xylem & Phloem structure and function
- 6. Distinguish between Moncots and Dicots
 - 7. Mandatory Activity....TS Dicot stem

What Flowering Plant typically have

1. Transport (Vascular) Structures



2. Roots

- 3. Stems
- 4. Leafs
- 5. Flowers



6. Fruits & Seeds

Plants are divided into two portions



Over ground shoot system

Under ground root system

Meristem

An area of active cell division



Apical meristems are found at the tip of the shoot and tip of the root and give an increase in length

Lateral meristems are found around the edges of some plants and give an increase in width

Root Functions

Anchor

Absorb Water

Absorb minerals



Transport absorbed materials to shoot Store food

Two Root Types





One main root growing from the radicle eg Carrot



2. Fibrous Roots

Many equal sized roots arising from stem base eg grass

Four Root Zones





Differentiation Zone

Here cells develop into 3 different types of tissue

1. Dermal tissue

2. Ground Tissue

3. Vascular tissue



Elongation Zone

Here cells increase in size



Meristematic Zone

Here new cells are produced by mitosis divisions



Potection Zone

A root cap protects the cells as the root pushes through the soil

Tissue location in the root (transverse section)

Root hairs



Dermal Tissue

Xylem

Phloem

Vascular Tissue

Ground Tissue

Tissue location in the root

(transverse section)



Tissue location in the root (transverse section) (Center part of root)



Tissue location in the root (Longitudinal section) DRAW



Dermal Tissue

Ground Tissue

Vascular Tissue

Ground Tissue

Dermal Tissue

Stem Functions



1. Support the arial parts of the plant

2. Transport water and minerals from roots to leafs

3. Transport food from leafs to roots

4. Sometimes store food

Function of outer stem parts



Terminal Bud

Increase stem length

Lateral Bud

Grow side branches

Lenticels

Gas exchange

A= Terminal Bud

B= Leaf Scar

C= Scale Scar

D= Lateral Bud

Lenticels



Tissue location in stem (Transverse section) DRAW



Tissue location in stem (Longitudinal section)



Learning Check 2 Label the diagram



Leaf parts

 Some leaves do not have a petiole(joins leaf to main stem)

(They are called sessile leaves)

Veins contain the vascular tissue



Leaf Functions



1. Photosynthesis

2. Transpiration

3. Gas exchange

4. Sometimes store food

Tissue Location in the Leaf



Dermal Tissue

Ground Tissue

Vascular Tissue

Dermal Tissue

Flower Function



Sexual Reproduction

Vascular Tissue

Function

1. Xylem

Transport waterTransport minerals

2. Phloem

Function — Transport food

Xylem Structure....Two types of Cell

Xylem Tracheids

Xylem Vessels



On maturity both are dead, hollow and contain no cytoplasm



Found in conifers

Found in deciduous-loose leaves in autumn

Xylem Tracheid Structure

Long cells tapered at both ends

Pits in the walls – allow water and minerals to move sideways from cell to cell

Walls thickened with **lignin** for support

Xylem Vessels Structure

Elongated cells

Spiral lignin for strength

No end walls – form a continuous tube

Pits to allow sideways movement of water





Phloem (DRAW)

Longitudinal and Transverse sections



Example of Monocot and Dicot

Monocot









Buttercup



Identification of Monocots & Dicots



Differences between Monocots & Dicots

	Monocotyledons	Dicotyledons
Number of cotyledons	One	Two
Arrangement of vascular bundles in the stem	Scattered in the stem	In a ring pattern
Leaf venation	Parallel	Netted
Number of flower parts	In threes	In fours and fives
Woody or herbaceous	Almost all are herbaceous	May be woody or herbaceous