- ·Vascular vs. Nonvascular
- Xylem vs. Phloem
- Seeds vs. Spores
- Root Types

#### VASCULAR PLANTS

- largest group
- •well-developed system for transporting water and food; they have true roots, stems, and leaves.
- help circulate water and food throughout the plant.
- Xylem transport water and minerals from the roots up to the rest of the plant.
- <u>Phloem</u> transport food from the leaves down to the rest of the plant.

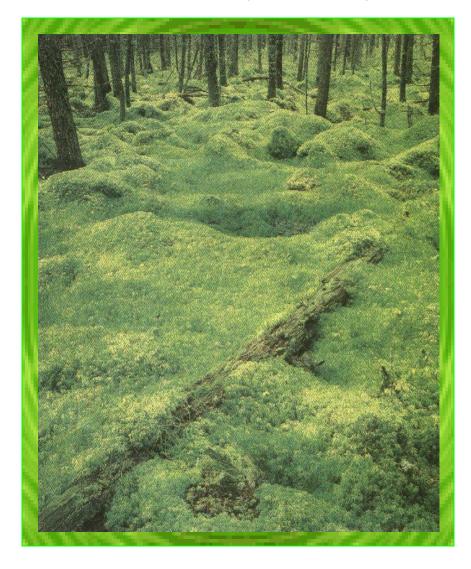
# • Examples:

woody stems- trees & bushes herbaceous stems- grasses

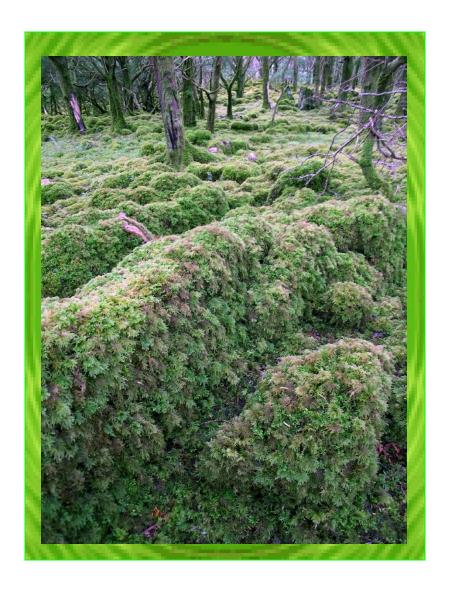
### **VASCULAR PLANTS**



- •Plants do not have a well-developed system for transporting water and food; do not have true roots, stems, or leaves.
- •They must obtain nutrients directly from the environment and distribute it from cell to cell throughout the plant. This usually results in these plants being very small in size.
- Examples: mosses, liverworts, and hornworts.



# **Mosses**

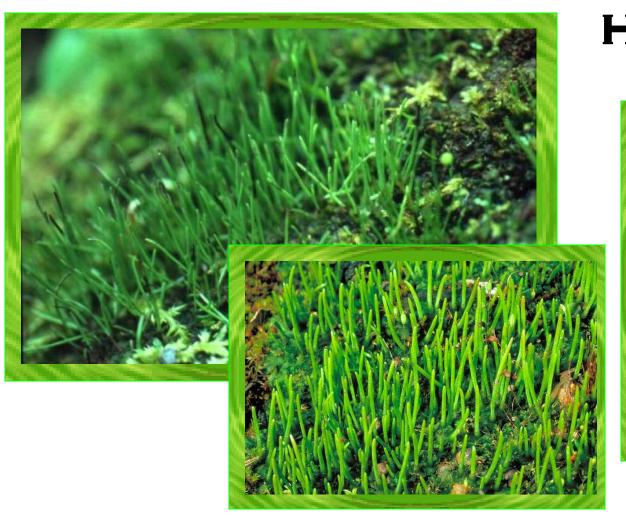






# **LIVERWORTS**





# **HORNWORTS**



#### SEED PRODUCING PLANTS

•Seeds contain the plant <u>embryo</u> (the beginnings of roots, stems, and leaves) and stored food (<u>cotyledons</u>) and are surrounded by a seed coat. From those seeds, new plants grow.

**Inside a Seed** 

protective

plant embryo

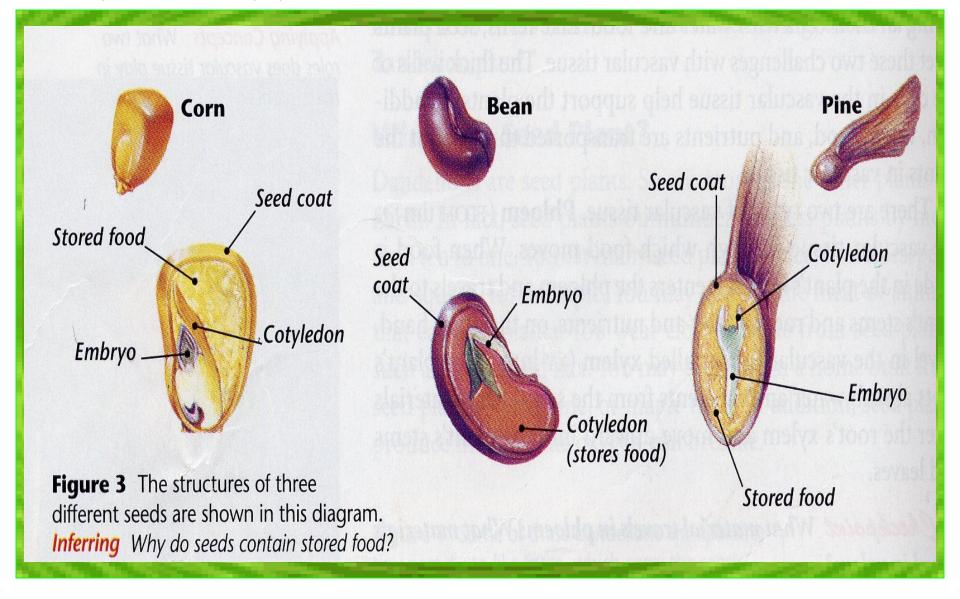
stored

nutrients

coating

•There are two major groups of seedproducing plants: cone-bearing plants and flowering plants.

#### Types of seeds



#### SPORE PRODUCING PLANTS

- Spores are much smaller than seeds.
- Almost all flowerless plants produce spores.
- Examples- mosses and ferns

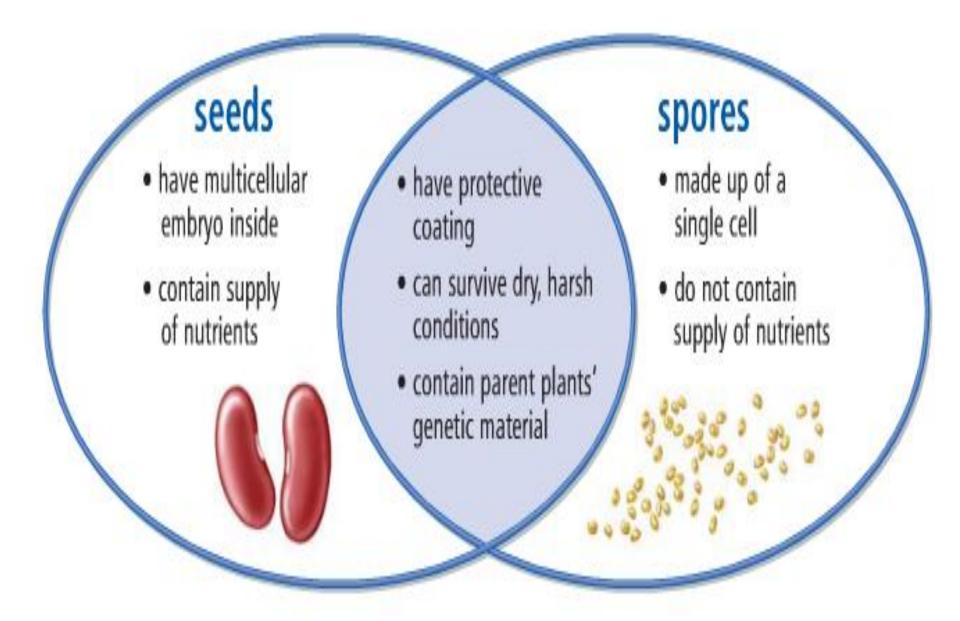
# **Flowering Plants**

- •Flowering plants differ from conifers because they grow their seeds inside an ovary, which is embedded in a flower.
- The flower then becomes a fruit containing the seeds.
- Examples include most trees, shrubs, vines, flowers, fruits, vegetables, and legumes.

# SPORE PRODUCING PLANTS



# SEEDS VS. SPORES



#### **CONE BEARING PLANTS**

- Most cone-bearing plants are evergreen with needle-like leaves.
- Conifers never have flowers but produce seeds in cones.
- Examples- pine, spruce, juniper, redwood, and cedar trees.









#### MONOCOTS

- A seed with one food storage area is called a monocotyledon, or monocot.
- •Flowers of monocots have either three petals or multiples of three.
- •The leaves of monocots are long and slender with veins that are parallel to each other.
- •The vascular tube structures are usually scattered randomly throughout the stem.
- Examples-include grass, corn, rice, lilies, and tulips.

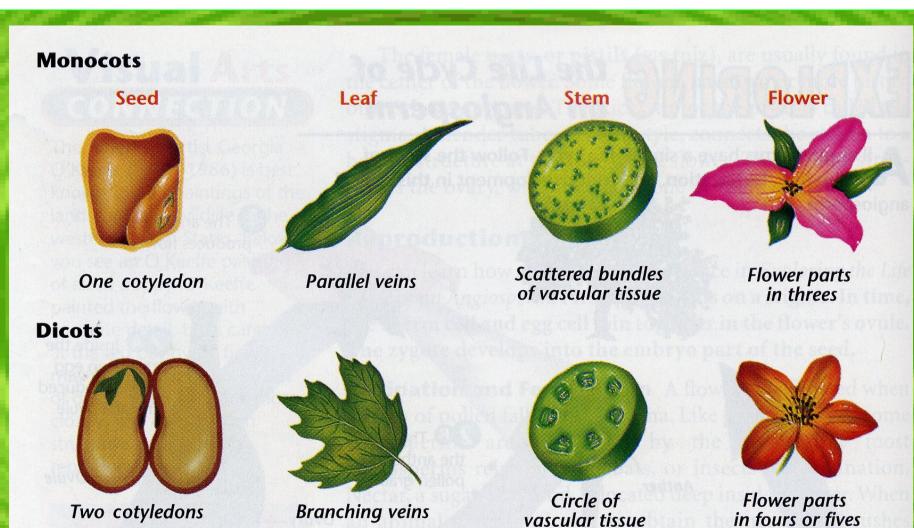


#### **DICOTS**

- A seed with two food storage areas is called a <u>dicotyledon</u>, or <u>dicot</u>.
- •Flowers of dicots have either four or five petals or multiples of these numbers.
- •The leaves are usually wide with branching veins.
- •The vascular tube structures are arranged in circular bundles.
- Examples- roses, dandelions, maple, and oak trees.



# MONOCOTS VS. DICOTS



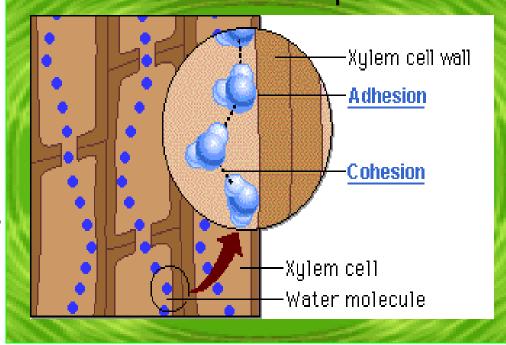
vascular tissue

#### **STEMS**

Stems support the plant and hold the leaves up to the

light. Stems also function as food storage sites.

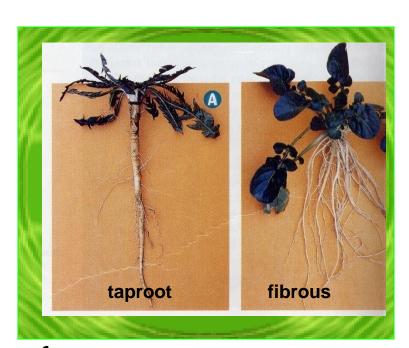
• The <u>xylem</u> in the stems transports water from the roots to the leaves and other plant parts.



• The <u>phloem</u> in the stems transport food made in the leaves to growing parts of the plant.

#### **STEMS**

- anchor the plant
- absorb water and nutrients from soil
- store extra food for the plants.
- increase surface area to absorb more water and nutrients



Root hairs help to increase this surface area.

- •There are two types of roots:
- 1. Fibrous roots consist of several main roots that branch off to form a mass of roots.
- Examples- grass, corn, and some trees.
- 2. <u>Taproots</u> consist of one large, main root with smaller roots branching off. Examples-carrots, dandelions, or cacti.