biology module: Biodiversity unit: Plants

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- **5B** Examine specialized cells, including roots, stems, and leaves of plants; and animal cells such as blood, muscle, and epithelium
- **8B** Categorize organisms using a hierarchical classification system based on similarities and differences shared among groups
- **8C** Compare characteristics of taxonomic groups, including archaea, bacteria, protists, fungi, plants, and animals
- **10B** Describe the interactions that occur among systems that perform the functions of transport, reproduction, and response in plants
- **10C** Analyze the levels of organization in biological systems and relate the levels to each other and to the whole system
- **11B** Investigate and analyze how organisms, populations, and communities respond to external factors
- **12B** Compare variations and adaptations of organisms in different ecosystems

instructional content:

Plant Classification

- Nonvascular
- Vascular

Roots, Stems, and Leaves

- Structure and function
- Transport tissue
- Gas exchange

+ Reproduction

- Asexual and sexual
- Structure of flower
- Seed dispersal mechanisms

Response and Adaptations

- Adaptations for photosynthesis
- Adaptations for water absorption
- Adaptations for food storage
- Tropisms

learning outcomes students will:

- Use all content and scientific process skills learned earlier in the course
- Describe the differences between angiosperms and gymnosperms
- Describe the main functions of roots, stems, and leaves
- Explain the purpose of root hairs
- Differentiate between taproot systems and fibrous root systems
- Describe the mechanisms and pathways for water and mineral uptake in roots
- Differentiate between the functions of xylem and phloem
- Identify the materials that are transported in xylem and phloem
- Compare and contrast herbaceous and woody stems
- Identify features of a stem
- Differentiate between simple and compound leaves
- Label and identify the function of the internal parts of a leaf
- Explain the role of turgor pressure
- Describe the process of transpiration

- Identify the role of the stomata and guard cells in gas exchange
- Describe the process of translocation in plants
- Describe methods of asexual reproduction in plants
- Label the structure of a flower and state the function of each part
- Define the term pollination and distinguish between the terms fertilization and seed dispersal
- Differentiate between self pollination and cross pollination
- Explain the purpose of a fruit
- List and describe four common methods of seed dispersal
- Describe environmental conditions necessary to initiate germination
- Recognize how plant hormones control plant growth
- Define tropism
- Identify three common types of tropisms
- Identify adaptations that help plants survive in various climates and environments

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Recommended Ward's Science products with item numbers for easy online searching:

science tools:

- Boreal 2 Microscope HM Advanced 242640Higher Plant Survey Jar Set 679703Lower Plant Survey Jar Set 679702Plant Kingdom Riker Mount Collection 671140Monocot and Dicot Roots (wm) f & fg 919905Monocot and Dicot Roots (cs) qs 919910Monocot Root Tip, Root Hairs (wm) qs 917010Monocot and Dicot Stems (cs) qs 919914Monocot and Dicot Leaves (cs) qs 919920Monocot and Dicot Leaves (cs) qs 919920Monocot and Dicot Leaves (wm) 917002Economy Stem Section Models 816181Dicot Flower Model 811130
- Elodea densa 867503Plant Mobile Center 6019319Light Kits for the Plant Mobile Center 6019304Growlab® Classroom Gardening Center 6617400Jiffy Planting Tray 6672608Dillen 6 Round Flower Pot Pk/10 6176406Electric Greenhouse 203150Ward's Why Cells Shrink and Swell Lab Activity 366207Mini Plant Press 100802Plant Press 100800Botanical Drier Sheets 204600Safe-T-Scalpels 140910Ward's Student Classroom Dissection Set 149997

instructional resources:

Wood Rounds Dendrology Set 630880
Ward's Plant Growth and Life Cycle Lab Activity 368000
Ward's Hydroponic Plant Study Lab Activity 361229
Ward's Investigating Transpiration Lab Activity 366079
Ward's Exploring Growth Movements in Plants Lab Activity 366066
Ward's Seed Dispersal Lab Activity 366228
Quantifying Plant Growth Regulators Lab Activity 207704

