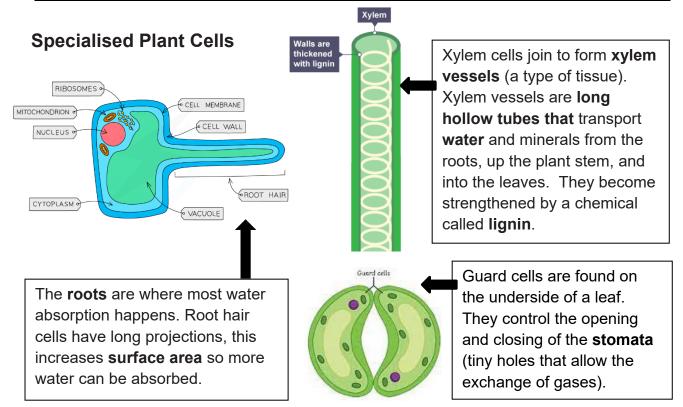
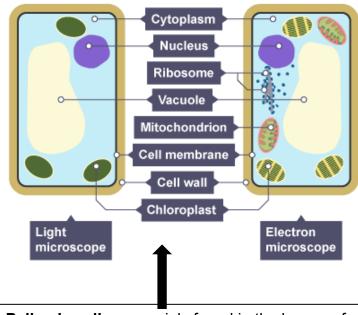
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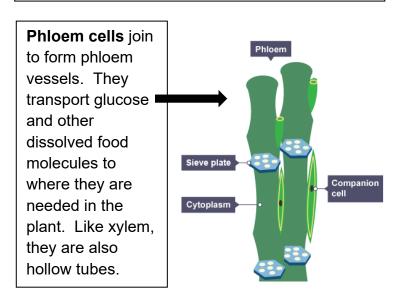
Plant Cell Structure

Structure	Function
Nucleus	Contains DNA . Controls the cells activities.
Cell Membrane	Controls the movement of substances into and out of the cell.
Cytoplasm	Where most chemical reactions take place.
Mitochondria	Where aerobic respiration takes place.
Ribosomes	Where proteins are made.
Cell Wall	Made of cellulose , provides strength and support to the plant.
Vacuole	Filled with cell sap to keep the cell turgid (firm).
Chloroplasts	Contains a green pigment called chlorophyll which absorbs light
	for photosynthesis.

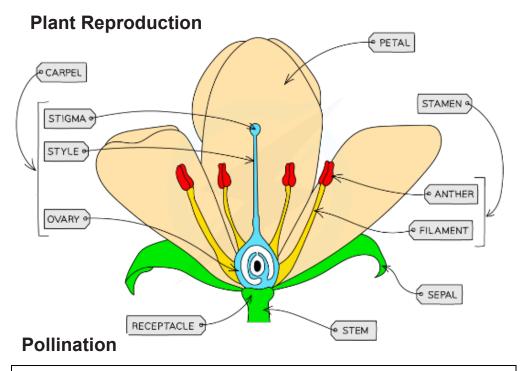




Palisade cells are mainly found in the leaves of plants, they contain many **chloroplasts** as this is where most photosynthesis takes place.



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Pollination is the act of transferring **pollen grains** from the male anther of a flower to the female **stigma**. This then allows fertilisation to take place.

There are two types of pollination:

Self-pollination: The pollen grain lands on the same flower it originated from.

Cross-pollination: The pollen grain lands on a different flower to the one it originated from.

STRUCTURE	DESCRIPTION
SEPAL	PROTECTS UNOPENED FLOWER
PETALS	BRIGHTLY COLOURED IN INSECT - POLLINATED FLOWERS TO ATTRACT INSECTS
ANTHER	PRODUCES AND RELEASES THE MALE SEX CELL (POLLEN GRAIN)
STIGMA	TOP OF THE FEMALE PART OF THE FLOWER WHICH COLLECTS POLLEN GRAINS
OVARY	PRODUCES THE FEMALE SEX CELL (OVUM)
OVULE	CONTAINS THE FEMALE SEX CELLS (FOUND INSIDE THE OVARY)

Fertilisation

The male gametes (sex cells) are contained in the **pollen grains** produced in the **anther**.

The female gametes (**egg cells or ovum**) are produced in the **ovule** found in the **ovary**.

In plants, **fertilisation** occurs when the **pollen grain** nucleus fuses with the **ovum (egg cell)** nucleus.

To reach the egg cell, the pollen grain grows a **pollen tube** down the style, towards the ovary.

After fertilisation, the **ovule** (that contains the fertilised egg cell) develops into the **seed**.

The parts of the flower surrounding the ovule (mainly the **ovary walls**) develop into the **fruit**, which contains the seeds.

The seeds produced by the plant must be **dispersed** (spread away) from each other and from the parent plant. This is to **reduce competition** (for light, water, minerals in the soil) between the parent plant and the new plants. Seeds can be dispersed by **wind**, **sticking to the fur of animals**, or by being **eaten by animals then dispersed in their droppings**.

Germination is a process in which the seed begins to develop into a new young plant. The three main factors are needed for successful germination are water, oxygen and warmth.