PLANT REPRODUCTION
Lesson Plans

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**TOPIC: LIVING THINGS: HOW TO CLASSIFY THE TWO KINGDOMS**

**LESSONS 1 & 2**

**TIMING**
2 sessions

**LEVEL:**
5th

**KEY SKILLS:** Pupils will be able...
- To consider that scientific classification is important because it is a worldwide labeling systems, and provides a means for the systematic study of living things.

**TRANSFERABLE SKILLS :** Pupils will be able...

- Communicative skills:
  - To ask and answer questions, and to select relevant information from the topic.

- Methodological skills:
  - To develop strategies to understand the content: summarising, comparing and organising.

- Personal skills:
  - To develop individual or collective projects with creativity, confidence, responsibility and critical thinking.

**Aims**
- To describe classification as the process by which things are grouped.
- To observe and recognise some simple characteristics of animals and plants.
- To explain that all living things can be classified into five major kingdoms.
- To name some of the different types of living things found in the plant kingdom.

**TEACHING OBJECTIVES**

**A. CONTENT**
- Present the two kingdoms by offering:
  - Strategies to classify living things
  - Giving characteristics of living things.

**B. COGNITION**
- To allow opportunities for pupil to discuss and decide:
  - why animals and plants are living things.
  - how to carry out an investigation.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Learners will be able to:

**A. CONTENT**
- Identify important information.
- Share information found.
- Justify why animals/plants are living things.
- Use scientific processes and thinking skills.
- Memorise Key vocabulary.

**B. COGNITION**
- Apply memorised key vocabulary in different contexts
- Analyse the importance of plants for life.

**COMMUNICATION**

**Language OF learning:**
- Key vocabulary:
  - Living, non-living, animal & plant kingdom, invertebrates, vertebrates, fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals, non-seed & seed plants, algae, mosses, ferns.
- Key phrases needed:
  - I think a .... is a ... because....
  - Can it...? Is it ...? Does it have ...?

**Language FOR learning:**
- Classroom language, Following instructions.
- Language to carry out worksheets and discussion tasks.
- Doing an oral presentation.

**Language THROUGH learning:**
- Questions that come across the lesson.

**CULTURE: Pupils will appreciate better:**
- Appreciate better English as a language for learning.
- How to take care of animals and plants and why that is important.
- How and why plants are important to all life on Earth.
# ASSESSMENT CRITERIA:
- Ensure that students can differentiate living things from non-living things.
- Observe that they know the basic features of inert and of living things.
- Sort animals and plants into groups using observable features.
- Able to explain likeness and differences between each group. e.g. they all have six legs, these have flowers, these do not.
- Able to explain likeness and differences between each group using some scientific vocabulary e.g. this is an amphibian it can live on water and on land, these are flowering plants.

## TOPIC: PARTS OF A FLOWER AND THEIR FUNCTIONS

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### KEY SKILLS:
- To name and explain the functions of some parts of a flower.

### TRANSFERABLE SKILLS: Pupils will be able...

**Communicative skills:**
- To relate observations, give accounts of experiences and develop argument.

**Methodological skills:**
- To access and communicate information using different supports including ICT tools to learn.

**Personal skills:**
- To interpret and use the knowledge about facts and processes to predict consequences and take reflexive action in order to preserve and improve living conditions.

### Aims:
- To recognise the parts of the flower and their functions. Flowers have structures that allow them to be pollinated.
- To deconstruct and analyse a flower, observe and discover the different parts of a flower.
- To learn that plants produce flowers which have male and female organs, seeds are formed when pollen from the male organ fertilises the ovum (female).
- To explain the life cycle of flowering plants including pollination, fertilisation, seed production, seed dispersal and germination.
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<td>- The flower and its parts.</td>
<td>- Name the parts of the flower eg stamen, stigma, style, petal, sepal, ovary, carpel.</td>
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<td>- Functions of the parts of the flowers.</td>
<td>- Describe and explain the functions of each part of a flower.</td>
<td>- I think ... is a ...</td>
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<td>- Recognise the flower parts on a real one.</td>
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<td>- Aply newly understanding concepts.</td>
<td>* Identify the main elements of a flower.</td>
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<td>- Identify by observation the parts of a flower.</td>
<td>* Relate the functions of each part.</td>
<td>- Language to express their opinions.</td>
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<td>- Illustrate the functions of each different part in a flower.</td>
<td>* Use discussion to gain and understanding the functions of parts of flowers.</td>
<td>- Language to explain the functions of a flower.</td>
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<td>* Apply memorised key vocabulary and phrases in different contexts.</td>
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<td>- Use of dictionaries for vocabulary extension.</td>
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**CULTURE:** Pupils will appreciate better:
- To value the importance of plants
- Respect for living things and realise the need of taking care of plants.
- How to be responsible and accurate in carrying on an investigation.
- Appreciate and demonstrate working in a cooperative group.
- Recognize some plants from their own country and from England.

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA:**
- Pupils should be able to name the different parts of a flower, recognise if it is a simple or complex flower and justify why it is.
- Prepare a report identifying each part of a flower and its functions.
- See whether they can explain the reproduction process of a plant, identifying the different parts of flower.
- Students will be collecting observations work in a folder as well as keeping notes of what they learn on their Science notebook.
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**KEY SKILLS**
Children are expected to learn how the events taking place at pollination lead to seed formation and how seeds are dispersed.

**TRANSFERABLE SKILLS**

**Communicative skills:**
- Report observations giving accounts of experiences and develop arguments.

**Methodological skills:**
- Provide practical classroom investigations about plants.

**Personal skills:**
- Can apply study skills that include strategic thinking, cooperation and self-evaluation skills.

**Aims:** Children should be able to:
- Learn about the life cycle of a flowering plant – pollination, seed production, dispersal and germination.
- Explain that seeds are formed after pollination when pollen fertilises the ovum and that seeds can be dispersed in a variety of ways.
- Describe the processes of pollination, fertilisation, seed dispersal and germination.
- Compare self-pollination and cross-pollination.

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| - To understand that there are distinct processes and stages in every life-cycle. | - Use terminology and processes related to plant pollination, fertilisation, germination and seed dispersal. | **Key phrases needed:**
| - To learn why some plants have flowers but not all. | - Self-pollination and cross-pollination. | .....is/are pollinated by ..... 
| - To understand the importance of pollen for plant reproduction and diversity. | - Seed dispersal: animals. Wind, water, self dispersal. | ..... can be dispersed by ..... 
|                       | - Explain reproduction in flowering plants. | This is so that ....... 
|                       | - Recognise the huge variety of seeds from which plants grow. | ..... takes place when ..... 
|                       |                                                | ... is called ..... / ..... is done by ..... |

**Key vocabulary:**
Pollination, fertilisation, germination, seed dispersal, life-cycle, spread, insects & flowers names.
## TOPIC: POLLINATION, FERTILISATION & SEED DISPERAL

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| - Children will know that flowering plants reproduce.  
  Children will know that insects pollinate some flowers and how this is done.  
  - Children will know that seeds can be dispersed in a variety of ways. Children will be able to make careful observations of fruits and seeds, to compare them and use results to draw conclusions. |
| **B.COGNITION**  |                   |                       |
| - Explain that seeds are formed after pollination when pollen fertilises the ovum  
  - Use math skills by using a ruler to measure.  
  - Identify different ways of seed dispersal  
  - Understand the development of seeds and fruits.  
  - Order correctly the steps in the life cycle of a plant. |

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### CULTURE:

- The importance of plants to human beings to survive (eat, provide oxygen, monitor pollution levels, source of medicine...).
- We need to protect habitat around the world.
- Students develop understanding that many characteristics of an organism are inherited from the parents of the organism.

### ASSESSMENT CRITERIA:

- Mainly through observation and questioning - a printout of the pupils work at various stages can be kept as a record of achievement.
- I will use students' activity worksheets, flower diagrams, displays.
- Their participation in the class discussion to assess their understanding of the topic.

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TOPIC: ASEXUAL REPRODUCTION

LESSONS: 9 & 10

SESSION: 2 sessions

LEVEL: 5th

KEY SKILLS
Extracting conclusions that make it possible to take decisions for acting.

TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Communicative skills:
- To report observations giving accounts of experiences and develop arguments.

Methodological skills:
- To apply study skills that include strategic thinking and cooperation and self-evaluation skills.

Personal skills:
- To create, develop and assess collective projects with confidence, responsibility and critical thinking

Aims: Students will be able to:
- Describe various types of asexual reproduction that occurs in plant species and various methods for the asexual propagation of plants.
- Students will be able to explain that asexual reproduction results in a rapid increase of cells that are identical to the parent. They will be able to discuss the advantages and disadvantages associated with sexual and asexual reproduction.
- To grow a plant by vegetative propagation and understand why it might be advantageous to do so. To produce a new plant by fragmentation.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES

A. CONTENT
- Identify different methods of reproduction in flowering plants.
- Describe that in asexual reproduction all the inherites traits come from a single parent.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Children will be able to:

A. CONTENT
- Explain how one plant uses both sexual and asexual reproduction.
- Name some of the asexual methods of plant reproduction and explain them.

COMMUNICATION

Language of learning:

Key phrases needed:
There is /There are.
...... reproduces from .......
...... reproduce by .......

Key vocabulary:
Asexual (vegetative) reproduction, offspring, rhizomes, tubers, runners, plantlets, bulbs, corns, cutting, grafting, soil, geranium (pelargoniums).
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<td>- To select a propagation method which is</td>
<td>- Successfully start a new plant by any means of</td>
<td>- Language to express opinions and hypothesis: <em>I think that</em>....</td>
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<td>appropriate for the plant to be propagated.</td>
<td>vegetative propagation, from cuttings.</td>
<td>In my opinion....</td>
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<td>- How to carry out an investigation.</td>
<td>- Identify different ways of asexual reproduction.</td>
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<td>- Compare how sexual and asexual reproduction</td>
<td>- Transfer key language.</td>
<td>- Language to express cause-effect and conclusions.</td>
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<td>passes genetic information from parent to offspring.</td>
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<td>• Respect for the principles of turn-taking.</td>
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<td>- Language to report the project done.</td>
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<td>• Interest in helping other pupils.</td>
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<td>- Observation during the activities.</td>
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<td>- Peer and self-evaluation.</td>
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<td>- Conduct an investigation to demonstrate the asexual reproduction of a geranium from a cutting.</td>
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Exploring Plant Reproduction and Seed Dispersal


- Students should have prior knowledge of the following terms and processes:
  sexual reproduction in angiosperms, gymnosperms and spore-bearing plants;
  asexual reproduction in plants (from roots, stems and leaves); flower parts and
  functions (receptacle, corolla, petals, calyx, sepals, stamen, anther, filament,
  pistil, stigma, style, ovary); adaptations for plant reproduction and seed
  dispersal.

- Angiosperms are flowering plants that contain both the female reproductive
  organ (pistil) and the male reproductive organ (stamen). The seeds form inside
  the flower and become enclosed in a case when mature.

- Gymnosperms do not produce flowers. Most produce seeds inside cones. The
  seeds have a protective coat but they are not enclosed in a case (e.g. conifers
  such as pine and spruce).

- Mosses, liverworts and ferns reproduce sexually through spores.

- Asexual reproduction, or vegetative propagation, involves forming new plants
  from pieces of root (e.g. poplar trees), stem (e.g. strawberry) or leaf (e.g.
  Bryophyllum).

- The colour, shape and size of flowers is related to how they are pollinated.
  Insect-pollinated flowers usually have very showy, large colourful corollas that
  attract insects visually and act as landing platforms. They are usually scented
  and often contain nectar. Flowers pollinated by butterflies are frequently red.
  Those pollinated by moths are often white.

- Flowers that attract birds and bats often need to have large petals for
  landing.

- Wind-pollinated flowers are designed differently. They are often missing the
  calyx and corolla and have no nectar. Their stigmas are frequently large and
  feathery. They produce large amounts of pollen. Maple trees produce their
  flowers in clusters at the tips of branches in early spring.

- There are many mechanisms for seed dispersal:
  - Wind - helicopter blades of maple seeds; silky white tufts of dandelion
    and milkweed seeds act like parachutes.
Animals - spines, hooks and barbs help some seeds to hitch hike on fur, feathers and clothes (e.g. burdock burr); some seeds have sticky substances that cling to passing animals; seeds may be dispersed through bird and mammal droppings; uneaten buried caches of seeds and nuts made by mice, squirrels and some birds develop into plants.

Water - floating coconuts, water lilies and purple loosestrife use water to disperse seeds.

Tossed by Plants - touch-me-not (jewel weed) and pea plant toss their seeds when the pods explode.

Conifers reproduce by seeds that are formed in cones. A cone is made of scales. Scales are modified leaves. Cones are produced by the sporophyte, usually in the spring. A sporophyte is a life-cycle phase of plants which have diploid nuclei; during this phase, spores are produced. The wind transfers pollen from male cones to female cones that display open scales.

The pine tree produces soft male cones in clusters at the base of the new spring shoots. These cones last only one or two weeks. Each of their scales produces haploid male spores by meiosis. These spores are called pollen grains. Before a pollen grain is shed, the cell inside divides to form the male gametophyte. This gametophyte is protected by a thick wall around the pollen grains. In pine, part of the wall bulges to form two wings.

The female cones, (or seed cones), of conifers are much larger and harder than the male cones. In many species, they become quite woody as they mature. The typical "pine cone" that one might collect on a forest floor is a woody female cone.

Once some pollen reaches the female cones, the scales close up. The pollen grains germinate inside the cone.
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