

Class: _____ Name: _____



Unit 11 Plants

* Listen and write.

A (TR 80)

- B** Mmm. I love cherries. It amazes me sometimes how sweet fruit can be.
- G** True. But it's kind of for their own good.
- B** Is it? They'll only get eaten by animals though.
- G** Exactly. They need to be eaten by animals in order to spread their seeds.
- B** But if that's the case, how do _____ spread their seeds? I can't imagine many animals eating coconuts.
- G** That's because coconut seeds are not _____ by animals.
- B** Well, how are they spread then?
- G** By water. Coconuts can even travel across oceans on water.
- B** No way! Is that why coconuts _____ on water?
- G** Yeah. And that's why so many palm trees grow on beaches.
- B** Wow. That's new to me. I only knew about some plants spreading their _____ by wind.
- G** Like dandelions?
- B** Yeah. I used to love _____ dandelions when they became all _____ and white.

B (TR 81)

- W** Hey, class. Does anybody know what day it is today?

- B** It's Tuesday, April 5th.
- W** Yes, and April 5th is also Arbor Day.
- B** Arbor Day? What's that?
- W** It's a day to _____ trees! Many countries celebrate Arbor Day.
- G** Does that mean people around the world are planting trees right now?
- W** Well, countries may _____ Arbor Day on different days. For us, in the US, it's on April 5th. But in Australia, _____ is on June 20th.
- G** I see.
- W** So, I have some presents for you. Can you _____ what I brought in these bags?
- B** Are they trees?
- W** Yes! They're pine _____, which are young pine trees. Each of you can take one home and plant it after school.
- B** Cool! I want to plant it outside my bedroom window. I'll be _____ to see it from my room.

C (TR 82)

- B** Don't you think it's interesting how we eat different parts of plants?
- G** What do you mean?
- B** I mean, just look at this salad. Carrots are the root, tomatoes are the fruit, and _____ is ... well, the leaf!
- G** You're right.
- B** Then, I wonder what part we eat in broccoli.
- G** I read a book on plants recently. It said the head of a broccoli is the flower.
- B** Aha! That's a _____ flower then.

- G** Yeah. What do you think the part of onion we eat is?
- B** You mean the _____? Doesn't it grow underground? So, maybe it's the _____?
- G** Onion bulbs are not exactly _____. And there are roots under the bulb.
- B** Oh, what's the bulb then?
- G** It turns out an onion's bulb is a unique form of the plant's _____ and leaves.
- B** Stem and leaves? All right, now I never would have guessed that.

D (TR 83)

- B** Welcome to Green Botanical Garden. You may have heard of bugs eating plants. But have you ever heard of plants _____? Meet carnivorous plants. Carnivorous plants are usually bright-colored and produce a nice smell to _____ bugs. Here's a video of some of them in action. This is the pitcher plant. It looks like a pitcher and has a sweet smell. A fruit fly approaches the plant thinking it's food. But as it lands on the plant, it falls into the _____, which is like the plant's stomach. This is the Venus flytrap. As an ant steps on the plant's leaf and touches its _____ hairs, the Venus flytrap quickly closes. Now, the ant is trapped waiting to be digested. Lastly, we have the sundew plant. These dew-like drops are not _____, but more like sticky glue. The mosquito is _____ on the plant while it gets digested over a few weeks.