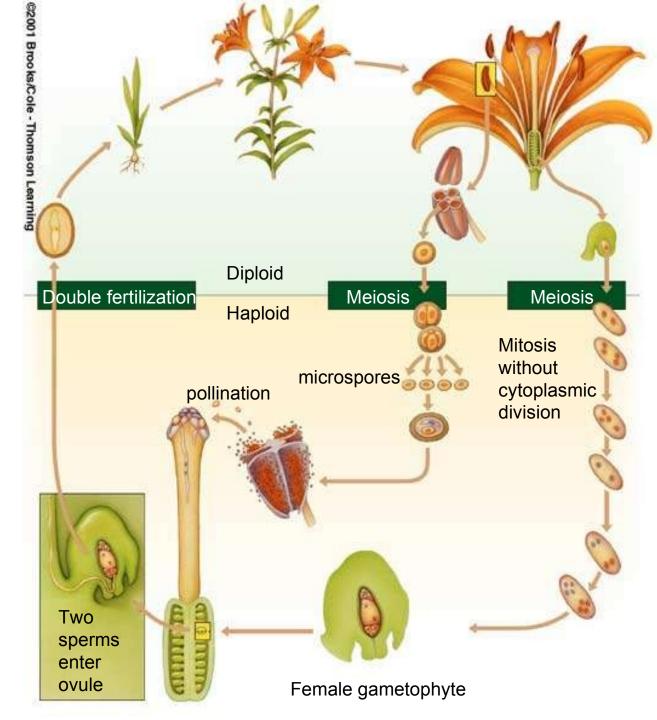
Angiosperms – flowering plants

- The angiosperms are seed-bearing vascular plants
- In terms of distribution and diversity, they are the most successful plants on Earth
- The structure and function of this plant group help explain its success

Flowering Plant Life Cycle



Plant Life Histories

- Annuals complete life cycle in one growing season
- Biennials live for two seasons; flowers form in second season
- Perennials grow and produce seeds year after year

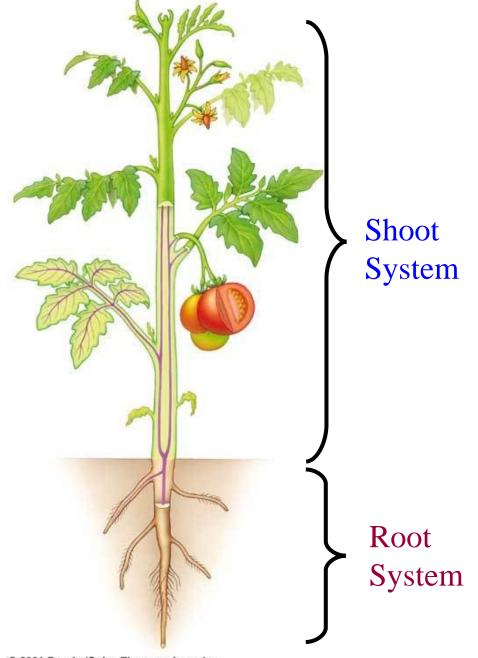
Shoot and Root Systems

Shoot system

- produces sugars by photosynthesis
- carries out reproduction

Root system

- anchors the plant
- penetrates the soil and absorbs water and minerals
- stores food



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Shoot and root systems are interdependent

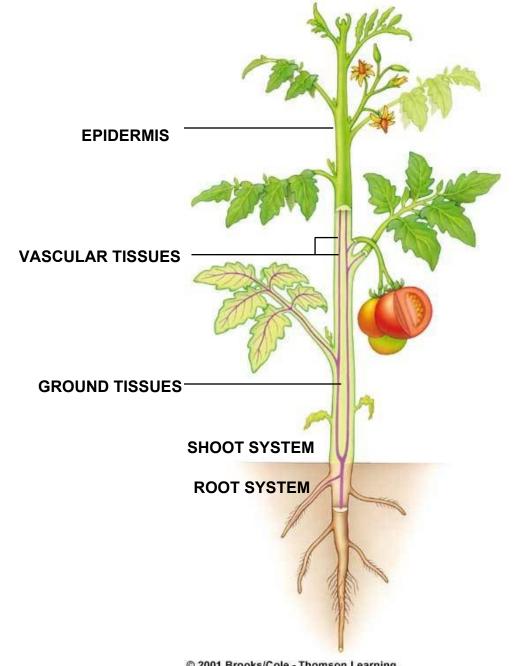
water & minerals **SHOOT SYSTEM ROOT SYSTEM**

sugar

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Plant Tissue Systems

- Ground tissue system
- Vascular tissue system
- Dermal tissue system



Meristems – Where Tissues Originate

- Regions where cell divisions produce plant growth
- Apical meristems
 - Lengthen stems and roots
 - Responsible for *primary* growth
- Lateral meristems
 - Increase width of stems
 - Responsible for secondary growth

Apical Meristems

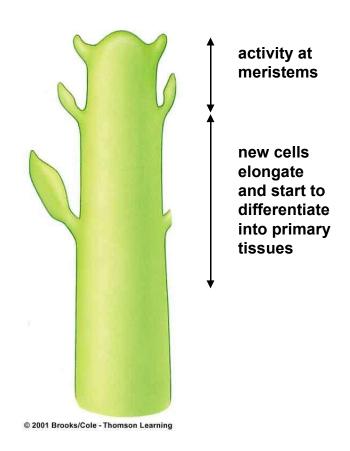
Lengthen shoots and roots: SAM and RAM

Cells that form at apical meristems:

protoderm → epidermis

ground meristem → ground tissues

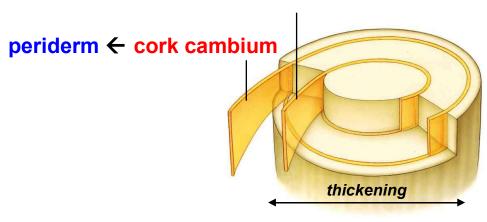
procambium → primary vascular tissues



Lateral Meristems

Increases girth of older roots and stems Cylindrical arrays of cells

vascular cambium → secondary vascular tissues



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