

Is it?



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A bud is of a plant.

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Is a bug?

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A stem is of a plant.

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Is a cat?

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A pod is of a plant.

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Is a box?

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If a Plant...



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If a plant has a spot with  
lots of sun...

If a plant has a spot with  
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lots of sun...

If a plant has a spot with  
lots of sun...

and a plant has water...

and a plant has water...

and a plant has water...

and a plant has water...

and a plant has soil...

and a plant has soil...

and a plant has soil...

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the plant will get big.  
If it gets big, it will get a  
bud.

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bud.

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If a bug lands on a bud, it  
will get dusted with pollen.

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If the bug lands on the next  
bud, it will drop the pollen.  
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Plants and Me



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I run in the thick grass. I  
pass by plants.

I run in the thick grass. I  
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Plants do not run. Plants are still unless the wind bends them.

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Plant roots branch out and stretch into the dirt.

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Plant stems suck water up  
from the roots.

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from the roots.

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I eat plants like a radish or  
peas from a pod.

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peas from a pod.

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peas from a pod.

I eat plants like a radish or  
peas from a pod.

I pick a stem and put it in a glass of water. It will not last with no roots.

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A Tree



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A tree is a big plant with  
lots of branching stems.

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lots of branching stems.

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lots of branching stems.

The trunk is the biggest,  
strongest stem.

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strongest stem.

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strongest stem.

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strongest stem.



A branch is a big, strong stem too.

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Twigs are stems that spring up along a branch.

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A bud is springing up at the end of a twig.

A bud is springing up at the end of a twig.

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The trunk brings water to the branches, twigs, and buds by sucking it up from the roots.

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Plants Adapt



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These spines run all up its sides. The spines make the water-filled branches of the cactus hard to bite.

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The cactus does not have to hide from too much sunshine. It does not have to escape from an animal. It adapted to life in the desert with its spines.

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Seeds Travel



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A seed needs the Sun's rays to grow big. If it roots below the leaves of its parent, in the shade, it will not soak up the sunshine.

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The seed has to travel away from the plant that made it! It may be sticky and hitch a ride with a dog. The dog scratches its coat and the seed plops in a field.

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It may travel in the air on the wind. Some seeds have tiny wings to float on the breeze.

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It may be in a fruit or a berry. A hungry animal will eat it and leave it behind in its scat.

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A Plant in the Seasons



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It is winter. The plant rests.  
It uses the energy it stored  
in its roots. The seed waits.  
The warmth of spring will  
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The Turtle and the Fig



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A turtle passes by where the figs fell. It spots the delicious purple fruit and scuttles over to get a sample.

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The turtle starts with a nibble and, then, gobbles up the figs. It needs energy too! But what will happen to the seeds? Will they be able to make a new plant?

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The seeds will settle on the jungle floor where the turtle left them. Its scat will give them enough energy to grow into new plants.

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Photosynthesis



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In a garden, by a gate,  
a hedge is growing. The  
hedge is covered in tiny  
green leaves.

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The bush pushes water up from its roots all the way to the leaves. The water in the leaves gets excited by the energy the chlorophyll has captured. So excited that its atoms, hydrogen and oxygen, disconnect!

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Some of the oxygen exits the leaves. The rest links up with the hydrogen and carbon dioxide in a new combination. They are now glucose, a simple sugar, that the plant can use as food.

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This process is called photosynthesis. It is how plants use light to create their own food!

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