

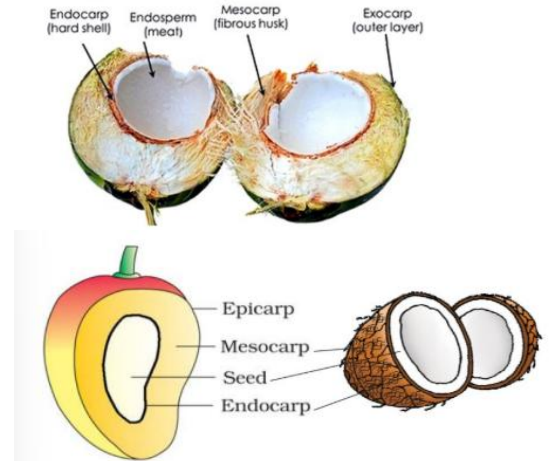
Fruit

- **Definition:** A fruit is a mature or ripened ovary developed after fertilisation.
- **Development:** Ovules → Seeds, Ovary wall → Pericarp (fruit wall)
- **Types of Fruits:**

1. **True Fruit** – Develops only from fertilised ovary. (Ex: Mango)
2. **False Fruit** – Develops from ovary + other floral parts (e.g., thalamus). Ex: Apple, Cashew, Strawberry.
3. **Parthenocarpic Fruit** – Develops without fertilisation, seedless. Ex: Banana, Grapes, Pineapple.

Types of True Fruits

1. **Simple Fruits** (from single ovary)
 - **Dry**
 - **Fleshy/Drupe** – Pericarp differentiated into:
 - Epicarp (outer skin)
 - Mesocarp (fleshy/edible in mango, fibrous in coconut)
 - Endocarp (stony/hard in mango & coconut)
 - Ex: Mango, Coconut (drupe, single seed).
2. **Aggregate Fruits** – From a single flower with multiple apocarpous ovaries.
 - Ex: Custard apple, Raspberry.
3. **Composite (Multiple) Fruits** – From entire inflorescence.
 - Ex: Pineapple, Jackfruit, Mulberry, Fig.



Importance of Fruits

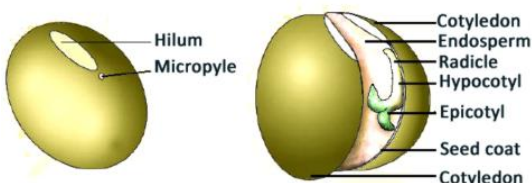
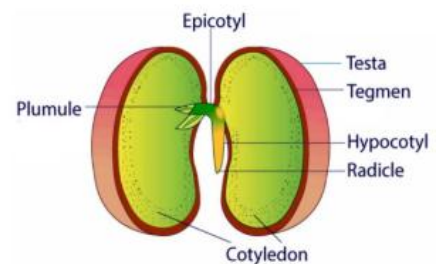
- Source of vitamins, minerals, sugars, pectin.
- Staple food: cereals (one-seeded dry fruits).
- Eaten by birds & animals (dispersal).
- Medicinal: Amla, Datura, Poppy.
- Protect immature seeds.
- Unripe fruits are bitter (tannins/alkaloids) → protect from animals.

Seed: A seed is a ripened ovule containing an embryo with stored food.

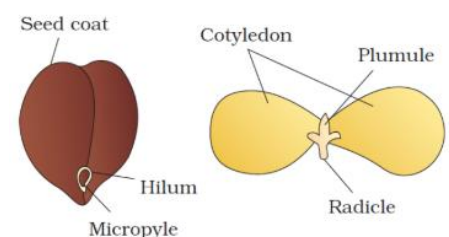
- **Parts:** Seed coat (testa + tegmen) + Embryo (radicle, plumule, cotyledon).

Types of Seeds

1. **Dicot Seed (e.g., Gram, Pea)**
 - Seed coat → Testa (hard) + Tegmen (thin).
 - Hilum (scar of attachment), micropyle (small pore), raphe (ridge).
 - Embryo:

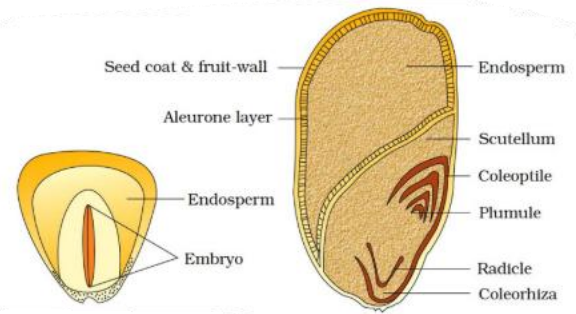
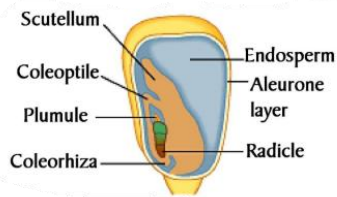


- Radicle → Root
- Plumule → Shoot
- 2 cotyledons (store food).
- Endosperm absent (non-endospermous).



2. Monocot Seed (e.g., Maize)

- Endospermic (bulk food storage).
 - Aleurone layer surrounds endosperm.
 - Embryo:
 - One cotyledon (scutellum).
 - Plumule inside coleoptile, radicle inside coleorhiza.
 - Seed coat fused with pericarp.



Semi-Technical Description of Flowering Plant

- **Floral Formula:** Symbolic representation of flower characters.
- **Floral Diagram:** Diagrammatic representation showing arrangement of floral parts.

Br (bracteates)

K (calyx)

C (corolla)

P (perianth)

A (androecium)

G (gynoecium)

G (superior ovary)

G (inferior ovary)

♂ (male)

♀ (female)

♀ (bisexual)

⊕ (actinomorphic)

% (zygomorphic)

() (fusion)

⤵ (adhesion)

1. Family: Solanaceae (Potato Family)

Systematic Position

- Kingdom: Plantae
- Division: Angiosperms
- Class: Dicotyledonae
- Order: Solanales
- Family: Solanaceae

Distribution

- 90 genera, ~2800 species.
- Found in tropics, subtropics & temperate regions.

Habit

- Annual/perennial herbs, shrubs, rarely trees.

Vegetative Characters

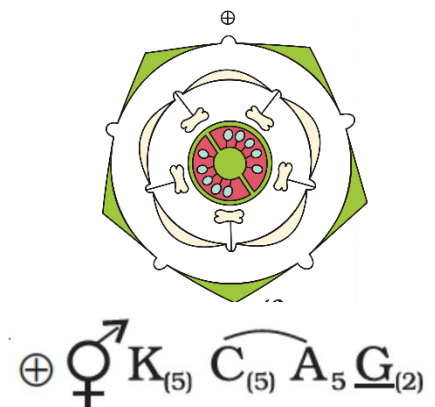
- **Root:** Tap root system.
- **Stem:** Herbaceous/woody, may bear hairs/prickles, underground tubers (potato).
- **Leaf:** Alternate, simple, exstipulate, rarely compound (tomato).

Floral Characters

- **Inflorescence:** Solitary, axillary, cymose.
- **Flower:** Bisexual, actinomorphic, pentamerous, hypogynous. Actinomorphic (radially symmetrical), bisexual.
- **Calyx:** 5 sepals, free or slightly fused (gamosepalous), valvate aestivation, persistent.
- **Corolla:** 5 petals, fused (sympetalous), twisted aestivation
- **Androecium:** 5 stamens, epipetalous (attached to corolla tube), alternate with petals.
- **Gynoecium:** Bicarpellary, syncarpous (2 fused carpels), superior ovary, bilocular with many ovules.
- **Receptacle:** Slightly concave; floral formula:

Fruit: Berry or capsule.

- **Seeds:** Endospermic, embryo straight.
- **Special feature in diagram:** Ovary with axile placentation; stamens often enclosed in corolla tube.

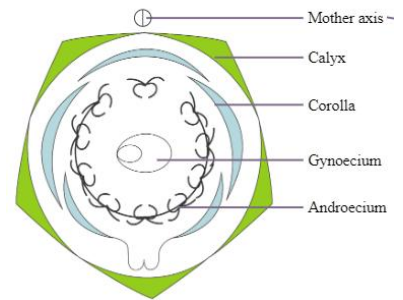


Economic Importance

1. **Food plants:** Potato, tomato, brinjal, chilli.
2. **Tobacco:** *Nicotiana tabacum* (nicotine).
3. **Medicinal:**
 - *Atropa belladonna* → Atropine, Belladonna.
 - *Datura stramonium* → Asthma treatment.
 - *Withania somnifera* (Ashwagandha), *Hyoscyamus niger*.
4. **Ornamentals:** *Cestrum nocturnum* (Night queen), *Petunia*.

2. Family Fabaceae

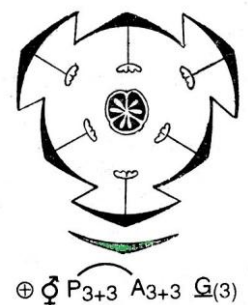
- **Type of flower:** Zygomorphic (bilaterally symmetrical), bisexual.
- **Calyx:** 5 sepals, gamosepalous, valvate aestivation.
- **Corolla:** Papilionaceous: 5 petals – 1 banner/standard (outermost), 2 wings (lateral), 2 keel petals (fused) Vexillary Aestivation.
- **Androecium:** 10 stamens, diadelphous (9 fused + 1 free).
- **Gynoecium:** Monocarpellary, superior ovary, one locule, marginal placentation.
- **Receptacle:** Slightly concave. Floral formula:
- **Special feature in diagram:** Show zygomorphic symmetry with unequal petals and diadelphous stamens.



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3. Family Liliaceae

- **Type of flower:** Actinomorphic, bisexual.
- **Calyx:** 3 sepals (often petaloid), free.
- **Corolla:** 3 petals, free or resembling sepals; perianth parts similar (tepals).
- **Androecium:** 6 stamens, free, arranged in two whorls of 3 each.
- **Gynoecium:** 3 carpels, syncarpous, superior ovary, trilocular with axile placentation.
- **Receptacle:** Flat; floral formula:
- **Special feature in diagram:** Perianth of 6 tepals in 2 whorls; show trimerous arrangement.



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4. Family Brassicaceae (Cruciferae / Mustard family)

- **Type of flower:** Actinomorphic, bisexual.
- **Calyx:** 4 sepals, free, Imbricate arrangement.
- **Corolla:** 4 petals, free, cruciform (cross-shaped), alternate with sepals, Velvet Aestivation.
- **Androecium:** 6 stamens, tetradynamous (4 long + 2 short).
- **Gynoecium:** 2 carpels, syncarpous, superior ovary, 2-locular with a false septum (replum), marginal placentation.
- **Receptacle:** Slightly elongated; floral formula:



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Floral Formula: $\oplus \begin{matrix} \text{♀} \\ \text{♂} \end{matrix} K_{2+2} C_4 A_{2+4} \underline{G}_{(2)}$

Special feature in diagram: Show tetradynamous stamens; ovary with replum.

5. Family Malvaceae (Hibiscus/Okra family)

- **Type of flower:** Actinomorphic (radial symmetry), bisexual.
- **Calyx:** 5 sepals, gamosepalous (fused), valvate aestivation, often with an epicalyx (whorl of bracteoles resembling sepals).
- **Corolla:** 5 petals, polypetalous (free), twisted (contorted) aestivation, often showy.
- **Androecium:** Numerous stamens (monadelphous) – staminal filaments fused into a staminal tube around the style; anthers are monothealous (one-lobed, one-celled).
- **Gynoecium:** Multicarpellary (usually 5–10), syncarpous, superior ovary, multilocular with axile placentation.
- **Receptacle:** Slightly elongated.
- **Floral formula:** $\text{♂} \text{♀} \text{K}(5) \text{C}_5 \text{A}_\infty \text{G}_{(2-\infty)}$
- **Special feature in diagram:** Show **epicalyx**, **twisted corolla aestivation**, **monadelphous staminal tube** with monothealous anthers, and **axile placentation**.

