Chapter 6. Anatomy Of Flowering **Plants**

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- (a) primary phloem
- (b) secondary xylem
- (c) periderm
- (d) phelloderm.

(NEET 2017)

Root hair develop from the region of

- (a) elongation
- (b) root cap
- (c) meristematic activity
- (d) maturation.

(NEET 2017)

Which of the following is made up of dead cells? 3.

- (a) Collenchyma
- (b) Phellem
- (c) Phloem
- (d) Xylem parenchyma

(NEET 2017)

Identify the wrong statement in context of heartwood.

- (a) It is highly durable.
- (b) It conducts water and minerals efficiently.
- (c) It comprises dead elements with highly lignified walls.
- (d) Organic compounds are deposited in it.

(NEET 2017)

- Cortex is the region found between 5.
 - (a) epidermis and stele
 - (b) pericycle and endodermis
 - (c) endodermis and pith
 - (d) endodermis and vascular bundle.

(NEET-II 2016)

- The balloon-shaped structures called tyloses 6.
 - (a) originate in the lumen of vessels
 - (b) characterise the sapwood
 - (c) are extensions of xylem parenchyma cells into vessels
 - (d) are linked to the ascent of sap through xylem vessels. (NEET-II 2016)
- Specialised epidermal cells surrounding the guard cells are called
 - (a) bulliform cells
 - (b) lenticels
 - (c) complementary cells
 - (d) subsidiary cells.

(NEET-I 2016)

- Read the different components from (i) to (iv) in the list given below and tell the correct order of the components with reference to their arrangement from outer side to inner side in a woody dicot stem-
 - (i) Secondary cortex (ii) Wood
 - (iii) Secondary phloem (iv) Phellem

The correct order is

- (a) (iv), (i), (iii), (ii)
- (b) (iv), (iii), (i), (ii)
- (c) (iii), (iv), (ii), (i)
- (d) (i), (ii), (iv), (iii).

(2015)

- A major characteristic of monocot root is the presence of
 - (a) vasculature without cambium
 - (b) cambium sandwiched between phloem and xylem along the radius
 - (c) open vascular bundles
 - (d) scattered vascular bundles.

(2015 Cancelled)

- 10. Vascular bundles in monocotyledons are considered closed because
 - (a) there are no vessels with perforations
 - (b) xylem is surrounded all around by phloem
 - (c) a bundle sheath surrounds each bundle
 - (d) cambium is absent.

(2015 Cancelled)

- 11. You are given a fairly old piece of dicot stem and a dicot root. Which of the following anatomical structures will you use to distinguish between the two?
 - (a) Secondary xylem
 - (b) Secondary phloem
 - (c) Protoxylem
 - (d) Cortical cells

(2014)

- Tracheids differ from other tracheary elements in
 - (a) having casparian strips
 - (b) being imperforate
 - (c) lacking nucleus
 - (d) being lignified.

(2014)





- 13. Lenticels are involved in
 - (a) food transport
- (b) photosynthesis
- (c) transpiration
- (d) gaseous exchange.

(NEET 2013)

- 14. Age of a tree can be estimated by
 - (a) number of annual rings
 - (b) diameter of its heartwood
 - (c) its height and girth
 - (d) biomass.

(NEET 2013)

- Interfascicular cambium develops from the cells of
 - (a) endodermis
 - (b) pericycle
 - (c) medullary rays
 - (d) xylem parenchyma.

(NEET 2013)

- Meristematic tissue responsible for increase in girth of tree trunk is
 - (a) intercalary meristem
 - (b) lateral meristem
 - (c) phellogen
 - (d) apical meristem.

(Karnataka NEET 2013)

- 17. Bundle sheath cells
 - (a) are rich in PEP carboxylase
 - (b) lack RuBisCO
 - (c) lack both RuBisCO and PEP carboxylase
 - (d) are rich in RuBisCO.

(Karnataka NEET 2013)

- 18. Which of the following statements is not true for stomatal apparatus?
 - (a) Guard cells invariably possess chloroplasts and mitochondria.
 - (b) Guard cells are always surrounded by subsidiary cells.
 - (c) Stomata are involved in gaseous exchange.
 - (d) Inner wall of guard cells are thick.

(Karnataka NEET 2013)

- Gymnosperms are also called soft wood spermatophytes because they lack
 - (a) cambium
 - (b) phloem fibres
 - (c) thick-walled tracheids
 - (d) xylem fibres.

(2012)

- Water containing cavities in vascular bundles are found in
 - (a) sunflower
- (b) maize
- (c) Cycas
- (d) Pinus. (2012)

- 21. Closed vascular bundles lack
 - (a) ground tissue
 - (b) conjunctive tissue
 - (c) cambium

(d) pith.

(2012)

- 22. Companion cells are closely associated with
 - (a) sieve elements
- (b) vessel elements
- (c) trichomes
- (d) guard cells.

(2012)

- 23. The common bottle cork is a product of
 - (a) dermatogen
 - (b) phellogen
 - (c) xylem
 - (d) vascular cambium.

(2012)

- 24. As compared to a dicot root, a monocot root has
 - (a) more abundant secondary xylem
 - (b) many xylem bundles
 - (c) inconspicuous annual rings
 - (d) relatively thicker periderm. (Mains 2012)
- 25. The cork cambium, cork and secondary cortex are collectively called
 - (a) phelloderm
- (b) phellogen
- (c) periderm
- (d) phellem.

(2011)

- 26. Ground tissue includes
 - (a) all tissues external to endodermis
 - (b) all tissues except epidermis and vascular bundles
 - (c) epidermis and cortex
 - (d) all tissues internal to endodermis.

(2011)

- Some vascular bundles are described as open because these
 - (a) are surrounded by pericycle but no endodermis
 - (b) are capable of producing secondary xylem and phloem
 - (c) possess conjunctive tissue between xylem and phloem
 - (d) are not surrounded by pericycle.

(Mains 2011)

- 28. Function of companion cells is
 - (a) providing energy to sieve elements for active transport
 - (b) providing water to phloem
 - (c) loading of sucrose into sieve elements by passive transport
 - (d) loading of sucrose into sieve elements.

(Mains 2011)



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- 29. Heartwood differs from sapwood in
 - (a) presence of rays and fibres
 - (b) absence of vessels and parenchyma
 - (c) having dead and non-conducting elements
 - (d) being susceptible to pests and pathogens.

(2010)

- **30.** Which one of the following is not a lateral meristem?
 - (a) Intrafascicular cambium
 - (b) Interfascicular cambium
 - (c) Phellogen
 - (d) Intercalary meristem

(2010)

- The chief water conducting elements of xylem in gymnosperms are
 - (a) vessels
 - (b) fibres
 - (c) transfusion tissue
 - (d) tracheids.

(2010)

- Transport of food material in higher plants takes place through
 - (a) companion cells
- (b) transfusion tissue
- (c) tracheids
- (d) sieve elements.

(Mains 2010)

- 33. In barley stem vascular bundles are
 - (a) closed and scattered
 - (b) open and in a ring
 - (c) closed and radial

(d) open and scattered.

(2009)

- 34. Palisade parenchyma is absent in leaves of
 - (a) mustard
- (b) soybean
- (c) gram
- (d) Sorghum.

(2009)

- 35. The annular and spirally thickened conducting elements generally develop in the protoxylem when the root or stem is
 - (a) elongating
- (b) widening
- (c) differentiating
- (d) maturing.

(2009)

- 36. Anatomically fairly old dicotyledonous root is distinguished from the dicotyledonous stem by
 - (a) absence of secondary phloem
 - (b) presence of cortex
 - (c) position of protoxylem
 - (d) absence of secondary xylem.

(2009)

37. Vascular tissues in flowering plants develop from

- (a) periblem
- (b) dermatogen
- (c) phellogen
- (d) plerome.

(2008)

- 38. The length of different internodes in a culm of sugarcane is variable because of
 - (a) size of leaf lamina at the node below each internode
 - (b) intercalary meristem
 - (c) shoot apical meristem
 - (d) position of axillary buds.

(2008)

- 39. Passage cells are thin walled cells found in
 - (a) phloem elements that serve as entry points for substance for transport to other plant parts
 - (b) testa of seeds to enable emergence of growing embryonic axis during seed germination
 - (c) central region of style through which the pollen tube grows towards the ovary
 - (d) endodermis of roots facilitating rapid transport of water from cortex to pericycle. (2007)
- 40. For a critical study of secondary growth in plants, which one of the following pairs is suitable?
 - (a) Teak and pine
 - (b) Deodar and fern
 - (c) Wheat and maiden hair fern
 - (d) Sugarcane and sunflower

(2007)

- 41. A common structural feature of vessel elements and sieve tube elements is
 - (a) enucleate condition
 - (b) thick secondary walls
 - (c) pores on lateral walls
 - (d) presence of P-protein.

(2006)

- 42. In a woody dicotyledonous tree, which of the following parts will mainly consist of primary tissues?
 - (a) All parts
 - (b) Stem and root
 - (c) Flowers, fruits and leaves

(d) Shoot tips and root tips

(2005)

- 43. In a longitudinal section of a root, starting from the tip upward, the four zones occur in the following order:
 - (a) root cap, cell division, cell enlargement, cell maturation
 - (b) root cap, cell division, cell maturation, cell enlargement



- (c) cell division, cell enlargement, cell maturation, root cap
- (d) cell division, cell maturation, cell enlargement, root cap (2004)
- 44. The apical meristem of the root is present
 - (a) only in radicals
 - (b) only in tap roots
 - (c) only in adventitious roots
 - (d) in all the roots.

(2003)

- 45. In which one of the following is nitrogen not a constituent?
 - (a) Idioblast
 - (b) Bacteriochlorophyll
 - (c) Invertase
 - (d) Pepsin

(2003)

- 46. The aleurone layer in maize grain is specially rich in
 - (a) proteins
- (b) starch
- (c) lipids
- (d) auxins. (2003)
 - (2003)
- 47. Chlorenchyma is known to develop in the
 - (a) cytoplasm of Chlorella
 - (b) mycelium of a green mould such as
 Aspergillus
 - (c) spore capsule of a moss
 - (d) pollen tube of Pinus.

(2003)

- 48. Diffuse porous woods are characteristic of plants growing in
 - (a) alpine region
 - (b) cold winter regions
 - (c) temperature climate
 - (d) tropics.

(2003)

- 49. The cells of the quiescent centre are characterised by
 - (a) having dense cytoplasm and prominent nuclei
 - (b) having light cytoplasm and small nuclei
 - (c) dividing regularly to add to the corpus
 - (d) dividing regularly to add to tunica.

(2003)

- 50. Which of the following statements is true?
 - (a) Vessels are multicellular with wide lumen.
 - (b) Tracheids are multicellular with narrow lumen.
 - (c) Vessels are unicellular with narrow lumen.
 - (d) Tracheids are unicellular with wide lumen. (2002)
- 51. Axillary bud and terminal bud derived from the activity of
 - (a) lateral meristem
 - (b) intercalary meristem

- (c) apical meristem
- (d) parenchyma.

(2002)

- 52. Four radial vascular bundle are found in
 - (a) dicot root
- (b) monocot root
- (c) dicot stem
- (d) monocot root (d) monocot stem.

(2002)

- 53. Vessels are found in
 - (a) all angiosperms and some gymnosperm
 - (b) most of angiosperms and few gymnosperms
 - (c) all angiosperms, all gymnosperms and some pteridophyta
 - (d) all pteridophyta,

(2002)

- 54. In plants inulin and pectin are
 - (a) reserved material
 - (b) wastes
 - (c) excretory material
 - (d) insect attracting material.

(2001)

- 55. What happens in plants during vascularisation?
 - (a) Differentiation of procambium, formation of primary phloem followed by formation of primary xylem
 - (b) Differentiation of procambium followed by the formation of primary phloem and xylem simultaneously
 - (c) Formation of procambium, primary phloem and xylem simultaneously
 - (d) Differentiation of procambium followed by the formation of secondary xylem

(2000)

- 56. Casparian strips are found in
 - (a) epidermis
- (b) hypodermis
- (c) periderm
- (d) endodermis.

(1999)

- 57. Which of the following meristems is responsible for extrastelar secondary growth in dicotyledonous stem?
 - (a) Interfascicular cambium
 - (b) Intercalary meristem
 - (c) Phellogen
 - (d) Intrafascicular cambium

(1998)

- 58. The periderm includes
 - (a) secondary phloem (b) cork
 - (c) cambium
- (d) all of these.

(1998)

- 59. At maturity, which of the following is non-nucleated?
 - (a) Palisade cell
- (b) Cortical cell
- (c) Sieve cell
- (d) Companion cell

(1997)

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- **60.** Which of the following is not true about 'sclereids'?
 - (a) These are groups of living cells.
 - (b) These are found in nut shells, guava pulp, pear.
 - (c) These are also called stone cells.
 - (d) These are form of sclerenchyma with fibres. (1996)
- 61. Casparian strip occurs in a
 - (a) endodermis
- (b) exodermis
- (c) pericycle
- (d) epidermis.

(1994)

- 62. As a tree grows older, which of the following increases more rapidly in thickness?
 - (a) Heart wood
- (b) Sap wood
- (c) Phloem
- (d) Cortex (1994)
- 63. Where do the casparian bands occur?
 - (a) Epidermis
- (b) Endodermis
- (c) Pericycle
- (d) Phloem

(1994, 1990)

- **64.** Which of the following plant cells will show totipotency?
 - (a) Sieve tubes
- (b) Xylem vessels
- (c) Meristem
- (d) Cork cells

(1993)

- 65. Periderm is produced by
 - (a) vascular cambium
 - (b) fascicular cambium
 - (c) phellogen
 - (d) intrafascicular cambium.

(1993)

- 66. A narrow layer of thin walled cells found between phloem/bark and wood of a dicot is
 - (a) cork cambium
 - (b) vascular cambium
 - (c) endodermis
 - (d) pericycle.

(1993)

- 67. Which exposed wood will decay faster?
 - (a) Sapwood
 - (b) Softwood
 - (c) Wood with lot of fibres
 - (d) Heartwood

(1993)

- 68. Abnormal/anomalous secondary growth occurs in
 - (a) Dracaena
- (b) ginger
- (c) wheat
- (d) sunflower. (1993)
- 69. Bordered pits are found in
 - (a) sieve cells
- (b) vessel wall
- (c) companion cells
- (d) sieve tube wall.

(1993)

- A bicollateral vascular bundle is characterised by
 - (a) phloem being sandwitched between xylem
 - (b) transverse splitting of vascular bundle
 - (c) longitudinal splitting of vascular bundle
 - (d) xylem being sandwitched between phloem. (1992)
- 71. Vascular cambium produces
 - (a) primary xylem and primary phloem
 - (b) secondary xylem and secondary phloem
 - (c) primary xylem and secondary phloem
 - (d) secondary xylem and primary phloem. (1992, 1990)
- 72. What is true about a monocot leaf?
 - (a) Reticulate venation
 - (b) Absence of bulliform cells from epidermis
 - (c) Mesophyll not differentiated into palisade and spongy tissues
 - (d) Well differentiated mesophyll

(1992, 1990)

- 73. Which is correct about transport of conduction of substances?
 - (a) Organic food moves up through phloem
 - (b) Organic food moves up through xylem
 - (c) Inorganic food moves upwardly and downwardly through xylem
 - (d) Organic food moves upwardly and downwardly through phloem (1991)
- An organised and differentiated cellular structure having cytoplasm but no nucleus is
 - (a) vessels
 - (b) xylem parenchyma
 - (c) sieve tubes
 - (d) tracheids.

- (1991)
- 75. Angular collenchyma occurs in
 - (a) Cucurbita
- (b) Helianthus
- (c) Althaea
- (d) Salvia. (1991)
- 76. For union between stock and scion in grafting which one is the first to occur
 - (a) formation of callus
 - (b) production of plasmodesmata
 - (c) differentiation of new vascular tissues
 - (d) regeneration of cortex and epidermis.

(1990)

- 77. Pericycle of roots produces
 - (a) mechanical support
 - (b) lateral roots
 - (c) vascular bundles
 - (d) adventitious buds.

(1990)

- 78. Collenchyma occurs is
 - (a) herbaceous climbers
 - (b) woody climbers
 - (c) climbing stems

(d) water plants.

(1990)

79. Collenchyma occurs in the stem and petioles of

- (a) xerophytes
- (b) monocots
- (c) dicot herbs
- (d) hydrophytes.

(1990)

- 80. Monocot leaves possess
 - (a) intercalary meristem
 - (b) lateral meristem
 - (c) apical meristem

(d) mass meristem.

(1990)

- 81. Cork cambium and vascular cambium are
 - (a) parts of secondary xylem and phloem
 - (b) parts of pericycle
 - (c) lateral meristem
 - (d) apical meristem.

(1990)

- 82. Out of diffuse porous and ring porous woods, which is correct?
 - (a) Ring porous wood carries more water for short period.
 - (b) Diffuse porous wood carries more water.
 - (c) Ring porous wood carries more water when need is higher.
 - (d) Diffuse porous wood is less specialised but conducts water rapidly throughout.

(1989)

- 83. Sieve tubes are suited for translocation of food because they possess
 - (a) bordered pits
 - (b) no ends walls

- (c) broader lumen and perforated cross walls
- (d) no protoplasm.

(1989)

- 84. Death of protoplasm is a pre-requisite for a vital function like
 - (a) transport of sap
 - (b) transport of food
 - (c) absorption of water

(d) gaseous exchange.

(1989)

- 85. Organisation of stem apex into corpus and tunica is determined mainly by
 - (a) planes of cell division
 - (b) regions of meristematic activity
 - (c) rate of cell growth
 - (d) rate of shoot up growth.

(1988)

- 86. Pith and cortex do not differentiate in
 - (a) monocot stem
- (b) dicot stem
- (c) monocot root
- (d) dicot root.

(1988)

- 87. Cork is formed from
 - (a) cork cambium (phellogen)
 - (b) vascular cambium
 - (c) phloem
 - (d) xylem.

(1988)

- Which meristem helps in increasing girth?
 - (a) Lateral meristem
 - (b) Intercalary meristem
 - (c) Primary meristem
 - (d) Apical meristem

(1988)

- Tunica corpus theory is connected with
 - (a) root apex
 - (b) root cap
 - (c) shoot apex
 - (d) secondary growth.

(1988)

(d)

Answer Key

- (a) 9. (d) 3. (b) 4. (c) 7. (d) 8. 10. (b) 5. (a) (a) (d) 12. 13. (d) 14. 16. (b) 17. (d) 18. (b) **19.** (d) 20. (b) 15. (c) (a) (b)
- (d) 29. 23. (b) 24. 25. 26. (b) 27. 28. (c) (b) 21. 22. (a) (b) (c) 30. (d)
- (d) 33. (a) 34. 35. (c) 36. (c) 37. (d) (b) **39.** (d) 31. 32. (d) 38. (a) 45. 42. 43. (a) 44. **46.** (a) **47.** (c) (d) 49. (b) 50. (c) (d) (a) 48.
- (b) 59. 53. (b) 54. 55. 56. 52. 57. 58. 51. (a) (b) (d) (c) (c) (a) (a) 60.
- (b) **64**. 65. 66. (a) **69.** (b) (c) 67. 62. 63. (b) (a) 68. (d) (a) (c) 61.
- (c) 79. (c) (d) 74. 75. 76. (b) (c) 73. (c) (a) (a) 77. 78. (a)
- (a) 85. (a) 89. (c) (c) 84. **86.** (a) **87.** 82. (c) 83. 88. 81. (a) (a)



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EXPLANATIONS

- 1. (b): Cells of vascular cambium divide periclinally both on the outer and inner sides to form secondary permanent tissues, *i.e.*, secondary xylem and secondary phloem.
- 2. (d): Root hair are lateral tubular outgrowths that develop from the outer cells of zone of maturation or root hair zone.
- 3. (b): The phellem or cork consists of dead and compactly arranged rectangular cells that possess suberised cell wall.
- 4. (b): Heartwood is the non-functional part of secondary xylem, hence, it does not conduct water and minerals.
- 5. (a)
- 6. (c): Tyloses are balloon-like extensions of parenchyma cells that protrudes into the lumen of a neighbouring xylem vessel or tracheid through a pit in the cell wall. Tyloses form most commonly in older woody tissue, possibly in response to injury, they may eventually block the vessels and thus help prevent the spread of fungi and other pathogens within the plant. Tyloses may become filled with tannins, gums, pigments, etc., giving heartwood its dark colour, and their walls can remain thin or become lignified.
- 7. (d): The leaf and stem epidermis of plant is covered with pores called stomata. Each stomata is surrounded by a pair of specialised epidermal cells known as guard cells which are in some cases further surrounded by another category of less modified epidermal cells known as subsidiary cells which provide support to the guard cells.
- 8. (a): In a woody dicot stem, phellem (cork) forms the outermost layer followed by phellogen and then secondary cortex (phelloderm). Secondary phloem forms a narrow circle on the outer side of vascular cambium whereas secondary xylem occurs on the inner side of vascular cambium.
- 9. (a): In monocot root, a large number of vascular bundles are arranged in the form of a ring around the central pith. Vascular bundles are closed because there is no cambium present between the xylem and phloem.

10. (d)

11. (c): In stems, the protoxylem lies towards the centre (pith) and the metaxylem lies towards the periphery. This type of primary xylem is called endarch. In root, the protoxylem lies towards

periphery and metaxylem lies towards the centre, such arrangement is called exarch.

- 12. (b): Tracheids are elongated, dead cells with hard lignified walls, wide lumens and narrow walls with spiral, annular, reticulate, scalariform and pitted thickening but without perforated end walls of septa. That is, they have intact end walls unlike vessels. Vessels are long cylindrical tube like structures made of many cells, called vessel members, each with lignified walls and a large central cavity. Vessel members are interconnected through perforation in their common walls.
- 13. (d): Lenticels are lens shaped openings formed in bark due to secondary growth. They permit gaseous exchange in woody trees. They also contribute to transpiration but in minute amounts because the suberised complementary cells present beneath the pore prevent excessive water loss.
- **14.** (a): Two bands of secondary xylem *i.e.*, autumn wood and spring wood are produced in one year. These two bands make an annual ring. The age of plant can be determined by counting the annual rings. It is called dendrochronolgy.
- 15. (c): In dicot stems, the cells of cambium present between primary xylem and primary phloem is the intrasfascicular cambium. The cells of medullary rays, adjoining these intrafascicular cambium become meristematic and form the interfascicular cambium. Thus, a continuous ring of cambium is formed.
- 16. (b): Lateral meristems are the meristems which are present along the lateral sides of stem and roots. They divide only in radial direction. Intrastelar or vascular cambium ring formed by intra-fascicular (also called fascicular) and inter-fascicular cambium; and cork cambium (phellogen) are examples of this type of meristem. These meristems are responsible for increase in girth of stem and roots.
- 17. (d): C₄ plants show kranz type of anatomy. In kranz anatomy, the mesophyll is undifferentiated and its cells occur in concentric layers around vascular bundles. The vascular bundles are surrounded by large sized bundle sheath cells which are arranged in wreath like manner in one to several layers. In C₄ plants there are two carboxylation reactions, first in mesophyll chloroplast and second in bundle sheath chloroplast. RuBP is present in bundle sheath chloroplasts where C₃ cycle takes place.



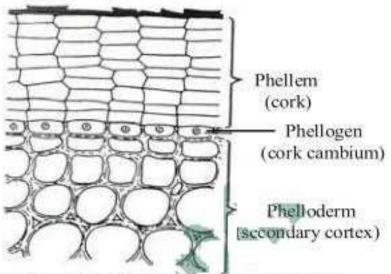


18. (b): The epidermal surface of the leaf exhibits 1,000 to 60,000 minute openings called stomata. The stomata are bordered by two specialized epidermal cells - the guard cells which in some cases are accompanied by subsidiary cells. The walls of guard cells are unevenly thickened. Each guard cell has thick, inelastic inner wall and thin, elastic outer wall. Stomatal aperture is present in between the guard cells. Guard cells are not always surrounded by accessory cells or subsidiary cells.

19. (d) 20. (b)

- 21. (c): Vascular bundle consists of complex tissues, the phloem and xylem. In dicots, between xylem and phloem, cambium is present which helps in secondary growth. This type of vascular bundle is called open. While in monocots cambium is absent, so these are called closed vascular bundles.
- 22. (a): Companion cell is a type of cell found within the phloem of flowering plants. Each companion cell is usually closely associated with a sieve element. They remain connected with sieve cells by plasmodesmata. They help in loading of phloem sieve cells with sugars through active transport.
- 23. (b): Cork cambium or phellogen is a type of cambium arising within the outer layer of the stems of woody plants, usually as a complete ring surrounding the inner tissues. The cells of the cork cambium divide to produce an outer corky tissue (cork or phellem) and an inner secondary cortex (phelloderm). The common bottle cork produced from *Quercus suber* is a product of phellogen.
- 24. (b): In monocot root, secondary growth is absent and vascular cylinder is in the form of several alternate and radial xylem and phloem bundles. The vascular bundles are arranged in the form of ring around central pith. Their number in maize ranges between 20 30 whereas in *Pandanus* and palms, they may be upto 100. Because of the presence of numerous xylem bundles and exarch condition, xylem of monocot root is polyarch. On the other hand, in dicot root, xylem and phloem are equal in number (2 6) and alternately arranged *i.e.*, they lie on different radii hence called radial bundles. According to number of ray (equivalent to number of xylem or phloem bundles) the roots may be diarch, triarch, tetrarch, pentarch or hexarch.
- 25. (c): In hypodermis or outer cortical cells, a layer becomes meristematic which is known as cork cambium or phellogen. This phellogen also cuts off cells both on its outer side and inner side. The cells

cut off on outer side are phellem or cork cells and cells cut off on inner side are phelloderm or secondary cortex. Phellem, phellogen and phelloderm collectively constitute periderm.



Structure of periderm (showing 3 layers)

The function of periderm is protective (because at maturity epidermis ruptures and hence the function is performed by periderm).

- 26. (b): Ground tissue can be defined as all the tissues except epidermis and vascular bundles. Ground tissue constitutes the interior of organs except vascular system. It consists of simple tissues such as parenchyma, collenchyma and sclerenchyma. Parenchymatous cells are usually present in cortex, pericycle, pith and medullary rays, in the primary stems and roots. Ground tissue system of the leaves is called mesophyll.
- 27. (b): In dicot stem, cambium is present between xylem and phloem, such vascular bundles are called open. In monocot stem, the cambium is absent, such vascular bundles are called closed.

Cambium are the meristematic cells which produces secondary xylem and phloem.

- 28. (d): Companion cells move sugar and amino acids into and out of the sieve elements. In "source" tissue such as leaf companion cells use transmembrane proteins to take up sugar and amino acids by active transport. Movement of sugars in the phloem begins at the source, where sugars are loaded (actively transported) into a seive tube. Loading sets up a water potential gradient that facilitates movement of sugar.
- 29. (c): In old trees, the greater part of secondary xylem is dark brown due to deposition of organic compounds like tannins, resins, oils, gums, aromatic substances and essential oils in the central or innermost layers of the stem. These substances make it hard, durable and resistant to the attacks of microorganisms and insects. This region comprises dead elements with highly lignified walls and is called heartwood. The heartwood does not conduct water



but it gives mechanical support to the stem. The peripheral region of the secondary xylem, is higher in colour and is known as the sapwood. It is involved in the conduction of water and minerals from root to leaf.

- **30. (d)**: Meristem is classified on the basis of position in plant bodies into lateral meristem, apical meristem and intercalary meristem. Lateral meristem is present on the lateral sides, *e.g.*, vascular cambium (fascicular and interfascicular cambium) and cork cambium (phellogen).
- 31. (d): The chief water conducting elements of xylem in gymnosperms are tracheids. These are elongated cells with tapering ends and are dead because of deposition of lignin. These show scalariform, annular, reticulate or bordered pitted thickening. These are the only water conducting xylem elements in both gymnosperm and pteridophytes. Generally vessels are absent in gymnosperm with exceptions like *Gnetum*, *Welwitschia*, *Ephedra*.

32. (d)

- 33. (a): Barley is a monocotyledonous plant. The vascular bundle of stem is conjoint, collateral, exarch and closed (because cambium is absent). It is also scattered throughout the ground tissue.
- **34.** (d): Palisade parenchyma is absent in leaves of *Sorghum*. It is a monocot plant where the parenchyma tissues of the leaves are not differentiated into palisade and spongy.
- 35. (c): The protoxylem differentiates in the parts of the primary body that have not completed their growth and differentiation. In fact in the shoot, the protoxylem matures among actively elongating tissues and is, therefore subjected to stresses. In the root, the protoxylem elements persist longer because here they mature beyond the region of maximum growth. In this differentiation annular and spiral thickening take place.
- **36.** (c): In dicot root the protoxylem is located near the periphery of the vascular cylinder, the metaxylem farther inward. In roots xylem is exarch or centripetal. In dicot stem the protoxylem is located near the centre of vascular bundle and metaxylem is located near the periphery *i.e.*, the xylem is endarch or centrifugal.
- 37. (d): Dermatogen is the region or histogen of single layer of outermost cells formed from the apical meristem. Dermatogen gives rise to epidermis of stem and other aerial parts. Periblem is the middle histogen which forms the cortex of stem and roots. Plerome is the central histogen which forms stele or part of stem

and root inner to endodermis. Part of plerome that forms vascular tissues is called procambium. The pericycle layer converts into a secondary meristem called cork cambium or phellogen which divides to form secondary cortex or phelloderm.

- 38. (b): Internode is the part of a plant stem, that occurs between two adjacent nodes. Intercalary meristem are internodal in position and is found in the stem of grasses and other monocotyledonous plants. In early stages the internode is wholly or partially meristematic but later on some of its parts become matured more rapidly than the rest so a definite continuous sequence of development is maintained *i.e.*, mature tissue left behind whereas new ones grow which later shows variable length.
- 39. (d): Endodermis is a single layered structure which separates cortex from stele. There are both thick walled and thin walled cells in the endodermis. The thin walled cells are known as passage cells or transfusion cells which are opposite the protoxylem groups. These cells help in rapid transport of water from cortex to pericycle.
- **40.** (a): Secondary growth is observed in dicots and gymnosperm. It is not observed in pteridophytes and rarely observed in monocots. Secondary growth results in increase in girth or diameter of the stem by formation of secondary tissue by the activity of lateral meristem. So for study of secondary growth, teak (angiosperm) and pine (gymnosperm) are best suited.
- 41. (a): Xylem is the principal water conducting tissue of the plant. It consists of four types of cellstracheids, vessels, xylem fibres and xylem parenchyma.

Xylem vessels are hollow, elongated cells with open ends and pitted walls. Cells walls are lignified. At maturity nucleus is absent in vessels.

The constituent cells of the phloem are sieve elements (sieve cells, sieve tubes), companion cells, phloem fibres and phloem parenchyma cells.

Sieve tube members are long, slender, tube-like cells joined end to end, to form long tubular channels – the sieve tubes. Sieve tube members possess specialized sieve areas on the end walls called sieve plate. Young sieve tube members have abundant cytoplasm but their is no nucleus. The nucleus disintegrates during their development.

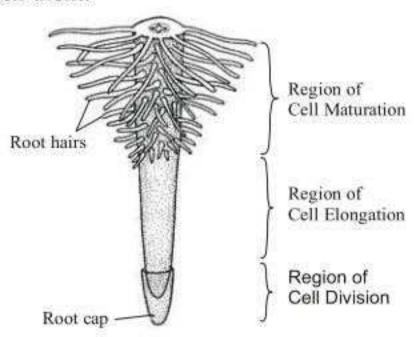
42. (c): The tissues which develop from apical meristem and procambium are known as primary tissues and these constitute the primary structures of the plant body. The development of the primary tissues causes the stem to grow in length and to some extent



in thickness. Stem and root in dicotyledons show secondary growth as they have development of secondary vascular tissues (i.e., secondary xylem and secondary phloem) in them. Flowers, fruits and leaves are primary tissues.

43. (a): The root system of a plant develops from the hypocotyl of the embryo of a seed.

The root shows following four regions these usually merge into one another, without distinct boundaries between them.



The zones, successively from the apex to the base are-

Regions of the root

- (i) Root cap zone: The apex of each root is covered by a cushion of thin walled cells known as root cap.
- (ii) Region of cell division: It lies just behind the root cap. It is the main growing region of the root where active cell divisions take place.
- (iii) Region of elongation: The region of elongation is responsible for growth in length of the root.
- (iv) Region of maturation: Epidermal cells of this region give out small, thin, cylindrical unicellular outgrowths, known as root hairs. These are the main absorbing organs of the root.
- **44. (d)**: Parts of typical root: root cap, meristematic growing region, zone of elongation, root hair zone, zone of meriste-matic cells.

Apical meristem is terminal in position and responsible for terminal growth of the plant. Apical meristem is present at all root tips and shoot tips.

- **45.** (a): The major storage component of Avocado fruit is oil. It is stored in specialized mesocarp cells called idioblast.
- 46. (a): In monocotyledons the seeds are generally endospermous. The internal structure of grain can be studied in a longitudinal section. It shows two distinct regions upper large region, the endosperm and lower smaller region, the embryo. The endosperm is surrounded by a special one cell thick layer, called

aleurone layer. It is filled with aleurone grains which are proteinaceous in nature. Other components of this layer are phytin, carbohydrates and small amounts of phospholipids are also present.

- 47. (c): Chlorenchyma or assimilatory parenchyma are parenchymatous cells that possess abundant chloroplasts in them. They are capable of photosynthesis. A spore capsule of moss can perform photosynthesis because of the presence of chlorenchyma cells in them.
- 48. (d): In most of the gymnosperms, like conifers and cycads, vessels are absent and the wood is made entirely of tracheids. Such wood is known as nonporous.

In angiosperms, on the other hand, the wood consists of both tracheids and vessels. The wide vessels appear as pores between otherwise small sized tracheary elements. Such a wood is known as porous. In porous wood, if vessels have essentially equal diameters and are uniformly distributed throughout the ring, the wood is known as diffuse porous. It is characterstic of plants growing in tropics.

- or maize), there is a central region of cells which normally does not divide. This central inactive region was called quiescent centre by F.A.L. Clowes (1959, 1961). The cells of this region have lesser amounts of RNA and DNA so they have small nuclei. These cells also have a lower rate of protein synthesis. Mitochondria and endoplasmic reticulum are less developed. The cells of the quiescent centre are usually inactive. However, if already existing meristematic cells are injured or become inactive due to any other reason, the cells of quiescent centre become active.
- **50.** (d): Xylem is the principal water conducting tissue of the plant. It consists of four types of cellstracheids, vessels, xylem fibres and xylem parenchyma. The tracheids and vessels together are known as tracheary elements.

Tracheids are characteristic of all vascular plant. Tracheids originate from single cells. These are single elongated cells with tapering ends. The end walls are without perforations. Their length varies from 1 to 3 mm. Tracheids are devoid of protoplast, hence dead; fairly large cavity of these cells is without any contents. The wall of tracheids is moderately thick and usually lignified.

51. (c): Apical meristems are situated at the tips of the root and shoot. They take part in initial growth. Plants elongate and increase in height as a result of





divisions in this meristem. Promeristem and primary meristem (root and shoot apices) are included in this type of meristem.

52. (a): The vascular tissue of the root is characterised by radial arrangement of vascular bundles *i.e.*, xylem and phloem occur in separate patches on alternate radii. The number of xylem and phloem groups vary from two to six. But tetrarch condition (four vascular bundles) is more common. Monocot root generally has more than six vascular bundles (polyarch). Vascular bundles in dicot stems are conjoint, collateral or bicollateral, endarch and open. They are arranged in a ring.

In monocot stems the vascular bundles are conjoint, collateral, endarch and closed. They are scattered in the ground tissue.

53. (b): Vessels are long tubelike structures ideally suited for the conduction of water and solutes. These are made up of a row of cylindrical cells arranged in longitudinal series. The partition walls of these cells are perforated and as such the entire structure becomes tubelike. The region of the wall where perforations occur is known as perforation plate. Vessels are found in the wood of almost all the angiosperms except certain primitive members of the order ranges (vesseless dicots), e.g., Trochodendron, Tetracentron, Drimys, Pseudowintera, etc.

Vessels also occur in some pteridophytes, such as Selaginella and in the members of order Gnetales of gymnosperms (e.g., Genetum, Ephedra and Welwitschia).

- 54. (a): Inulin is a water soluble fructosan. It is a common reserve food in members of family compositae. Pectin in a mucopolysaccharides and occur in plant cell walls. At the time of fruit ripening wall pectins hydrolyse to give constituent sugars.
- 55. (b): In plants during vascularisation, differentiation of procambium occurs followed by the formation of primary phloem and xylem simultaneously.
- **56. (d)**: Endodermis is single layered structure which separates cortex from stele. The cells of endodermis are barrel-shaped without intercellular spaces, living and containing starch. The radial and tangential walls of endodermal cells possess thickenings of lignin, suberin and cutin in the form of strips or bands, which are known as casparian bands or casparian strips.
- 57. (c): Extrastelar secondary growth means growth in the cortical region, external to stele.

For extrastelar secondary growth the cork cambium or phellogen develops in the region outside the vascular tissue. This gives rise to cork or phellem and secondary cortex or phelloderm. All the three layers (i.e, cork, cork cambium and secondary cortex) together constitute periderm. Fascicular and interfascicular cambuim occurs in the stelar regions.

- **58. (b)** : Refer to answer 25.
- 59. (c): In pteridophytes and gymnosperms, sieve tubes are not arranged in linear rows and hence called sieve cells. Sieve tube elements are the conducting element of phloem. These are arranged end to end in linear rows with septa (sieve plate) between two sieve tube elements. In the sieve plate, there are present sieve pores. Sieve tube elements are living and have thin cellulosic walls in young cells but they become thick walled and are without nuclei at maturity.
- 60. (a): Sclereids are a type of sclerenchyma cells. They are short or irregular, their walls are very thick, irergular and the lumen is very narrow. These are dead cells and do not perform any metabolic functions. They show different types of lignin depositions and also have pits. They are present in hard parts like endocarp of coconut, hard seed coats fruit pulps. They are also called stone cells and are different types as brachysclereids, osteoclereids, macrosclereids, asterosclereids and fileform cells.
- 61. (a): Refer to answer 56.
- 62. (a): Heartwood or duramen is the dark coloured wood near the centre of the axis formed after many years of secondary growth of stem. A small outer region, however, remains light coloured. It is known as sap wood or alburnum. The heartwood is formed due to changes in the elements of the secondary xylem. As secondary growth proceeds most of the older elements of secondary xylem lose water and become filled with organic compounds such as oils, gums, resins, tannins, and aromatic and colouring materials. The wood becomes dark coloured due to accumulating of these substances and is also termed as duramen. The sap wood is the light coloured region of the secondary xylem. Cells of this region are functionally active. The elements of the secondary xylem added by cambial activity are those of sap wood. But gradually most of these elements get transformed into heart wood. Thus the amount of heart wood increases as the tree grows older. The amount of sap wood, however, remains almost constant.
- 63. (b): The innermost layer of soft cortex is called as endodermis. This uniseriate layer is characterised by the presence of casparian strips. This thickenings was first observed by Caspary, 1865 and hence the name.



- **64. (c)**: Meristems shows the totipotency because xylem vessels and cork cells are dead while sieve tube cells do not possess nuclei.
- **65. (c)**: Periderm is produced by phellogen. The phellogen forms phellem on the outer face and phelloderm on the inner. The three layers *i.e.*, phellem, phellogen and phelloderm jointly constitute the periderm.
- **66. (b)** : A narrow layer of thin walled cells found between phloem/bark and wood of dicot is vascular cambium. Vascular cambium present inside a vascular bundle is called as intrafascicular cambium or fascicular cambium. The vascular cambium is a meristematic tissue.
- 67. (a): Sap wood will decay faster. Sap wood is less durable because it is susceptible to attack by pathogen and insects.
- 68. (a): Monocot trees such as palms grow in thickness by primary thickening meristem situated at the base of the leaf. Plants like *Dracaena* show secondary growth by a special cambium. It develops in the form of strips just outside the vascular region. This cambial strips produce secondary vascular bundles which is amphivasal in *Dracaena*.
- **69. (b)**: Bordered pits are found in vessel wall. In bordered pits, the thickening material over arches the pit cavity in such a way that a pit chamber opens to the interior by a pit aperture.
- 70. (d): A bicollateral vascular bundles is characterised by xylem being sandwiched between phloem. Here there are two cambuim rings e.g., Cucurbita.
- 71. (b) : Vascular cambium produces secondary xylem and secondary phloem. It is develop from the procambium which is an embryonic tissue, hence it is primary in origin. It is secondary in function for it forms the secondary tissues like secondary xylem, secondary phloem and secondary medullary rays. The cambium is a radially one cell thick zone of meristematic cells.
- 72. (c): In monocot leaf, mesophyll cells are not differentiated into palisade and spongy tissues. But there is well differentiate mesophyll cells in dicot stem. Also in the upper epidermis, there are some large cells found in groups which are called bulliform cells. The venation pattern in monocot is parallel.

- 73. (d): Phloem is the food conducting tissue of plants. The sieve tubes are food conducting elements of the plants. It is proposed that food is translocated by mass flow or by streaming currents of protoplasm.
- 74. (c): An organised and differentiated cellular structure having cytoplasm but no nucleus are sieve tubes. The sieve tubes are living cells. Their walls are thicker than surrounding parenchyma cells. Sometimes they have a special, shining nacreous thickening. Cytoplasm occurs in the form of thin lining enclosing a big central vacuole.
- 75. (a): Angular collenchyma occurs in, *Cucurbita*. It has thickening at the angles and there are no intercellular spaces. It is generally found in leaf petioles.
- 76. (a): Grafting is a techinque in which cambium bearing shoot (scion = graft) of one plant is joined to cambium bearing stump (root system = stock) of a related plant through different unions like tongue grafting, wedge grafting etc. In grafting union between stock and scion produces undifferentiated mass of cells called callus. Therefore, for union between stock and scion in grafting, first to occur is the formation of callus. Callus is more or less corky secondary tissue developed lay woody plants over a wound. It is derived from cambium.
- 77. (b): Pericycle of root produces lateral roots. Endodermis is followed by pericycle. Usually it is a continuous layer but in some monocots it is interrupted by xylem and phloem. It is the site of origin of lateral roots and cork cambium. The root branches are, therefore described as endogenous in origin.
- 78. (c): Collenchyma occurs in climbing stems. Collenchyma occurs in the stem and petioles of dicot herbs. Due to deposition of pectin, it has high water retaining capacity. Since pectin appears at the angles, it becomes a spongy tissues. The collenchyma is a mechanical tissue which gives tensile strength to the plant.
- 79. (c): Refer to answer 78.
- 80. (a): Monocot leaves possess intercalary meristem. Intercalary meristem are responsible for localised growth. Perhaps they have been separated or detached from the mother meristem e.g., meristem present at the base of leaves in many monocots, in the internode of grasses, at the top of peduncles of *Plantago* and *Taraxacum* etc.





- **81.** (c): Cork cambium and vascular cambium are lateral meristems. Both are responsible for the secondary growth of stem. It also increases the girth of stem.
- 82. (c): Ring porous wood carries more water when need is higher. Ring porous wood provides better translocation when requirement of plant is more. Hence, it is very advanced than diffuse porous wood.
- 83. (c): Sieve tubes are suited for translocation of food because they possess broader lumen and perforated cross walls. Sieve tubes are elongated tubular conducting channels of phloem. The end wall possess many small pores and have thin cellulosic wall.
- **84.** (a): Death of protoplasm is a pre-requisite for a vital functions like transport of sap. Xylem is a dead tissue and do not have protoplasm, xylem performs the function of transport of water or sap inside the plant from roots to leaves.
- 85. (a): The tunica corpus concept was given by Schmidt (1924) which was based on plane of divisions of cells. According to this concept there are two portions in shoot apex-tunica and corpus. The tunica shows only anticlinical divisions and thus it is responsible for surface growth. The corpus shows divisions in all plane and thus responsible for volume growth.

- **86.** (a): Pith and cortex do not differentiate in monocot stem. Since numerous vascular bundles lie scattered, the ground tissue system in a monocot stem is distinguishable into hypodermis and ground parenchyma.
- 87. (a): In hypodermis or outer cortical cells, a layer becomes meristematic which is known as cork cambium or phellogen. This phellogen also cuts off cells both on its outer side and inner side. The cells cut off on outer side are phelloderm or cork cells and cells cut off on inner side are phelloderm or secondary cortex.

The phellem or cork cells are dead and have deposition of a fatty substance called suberin (i.e., cork cells are suberized). Suberin is impervious to water and thus cork cells are buoyant (i.e., float on water).

Phellem, phellogen and phelloderm collectively constitute periderm.

- **88.** (a): The meristem that helps in increasing girth is lateral meristem. The lateral meristem is responsible for lateral growth of the plant *i.e.*, growth in thickness *e.g.*, cambium and cork cambium. It divides only periclinally or radially and is responsible for increase in girth or diameter.
- 89. (c): Refer to answer 85.

