# Getting to Know Plants

Standard difficulty · 20 questions · 40 marks · Time: 54 minutes

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Show your working for Sections B and C. Answers are on the last page — try every question first!

## Section A — Choose the correct answer — 8 × 1 = 8 marks

**1.** Rice, wheat and ragi are the seeds of:
**(a)** climbers **(b)** creepers **(c)** trees **(d)** grasses

**2.** What kind of plant is khejri?
**(a)** tree **(b)** creeper **(c)** climber **(d)** grass

**3.** A plant with many woody stems growing close to the ground is a:
**(a)** climber **(b)** tree **(c)** shrub **(d)** creeper

**4.** What does the root of a plant do?
**(a)** holds the plant in the soil and takes in water
**(b)** turns into a fruit
**(c)** holds the seeds inside it
**(d)** holds the plant up and carries water to the leaves

**5.** Which of these is a grain, the seed of a large grass?
**(a)** toor dal **(b)** mustard seeds **(c)** bajra **(d)** rajma

**6.** Which of these plants is a CLIMBER?
**(a)** neem **(b)** wheat **(c)** pea plant **(d)** rose

**7.** Raj gives his plant friend 3 mugs of water every day. How many mugs does he give it in 10 days?
**(a)** 33 mugs **(b)** 13 mugs **(c)** 30 mugs **(d)** 27 mugs

**8.** A school planted 9 rows of saplings with 4 saplings in each row. How many saplings were planted?
**(a)** 36 saplings **(b)** 13 saplings **(c)** 45 saplings **(d)** 40 saplings

## Section B — Short answer — 8 × 2 = 16 marks

**9.** How is a climber different from a creeper?

**10.** Write tree, shrub, herb, grass, climber or creeper: (a) mint (b) wheat

**11.** Name the part of the plant: (a) the part that makes food for the plant (b) the part that turns into a fruit

**12.** What kind of plant has (a) a thin stem that climbs up on a support (b) long, thin, flat leaves and a hollow stem?

**13.** A small plant has 7 branches with 8 leaves on each branch. How many leaves does it have?

**14.** A guava tree had 35 ripe guavas. Birds ate 3 of them. How many guavas were left?

**15.** A seed sprouted 7 days after it was sown. The plant gave its first flower 17 days after that. How many days after sowing did it flower?

**16.** Simmi picks 3 jamuns from each of 9 low branches. How many jamuns does she pick?

## Section C — Word problems — 4 × 4 = 16 marks

**17.** Make friends with a plant near you. Write its name, draw it, and describe its leaves, flowers and fruits.

**18.** A class makes a garden with 3 rows of plants and 8 plants in each row. (a) How many plants are there? (b) Each plant needs 3 mugs of water a day. How many mugs are needed each day?

**19.** Sort these plants as tree, shrub, herb, grass, climber or creeper, and say how you knew one of them: peepal, bottle gourd, sugarcane, coriander.

**20.** What does each part do for the plant? (a) flower (b) stem. Draw a plant and label both parts.

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# Answer key

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| Q | Answer | Working |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | (d) grasses | — |
| 2 | (a) tree | — |
| 3 | (c) shrub | — |
| 4 | (a) holds the plant in the soil and takes in water | — |
| 5 | (c) bajra | — |
| 6 | (c) pea plant | — |
| 7 | (c) 30 mugs | 3 × 10 = 30 |
| 8 | (a) 36 saplings | 9 × 4 = 36 |
| 9 | A climber grows upwards by climbing on a support; a creeper spreads along the ground. | — |
| 10 | (a) herb (b) grass | — |
| 11 | (a) leaf (b) flower | — |
| 12 | (a) climber (b) grass | — |
| 13 | 56 leaves | 7 × 8 = 56 |
| 14 | 32 guavas | 35 − 3 = 32 |
| 15 | 24 days | 7 + 17 = 24 |
| 16 | 27 jamuns | 3 × 9 = 27 |
| 17 | Name, drawing and a description of the leaves, flowers and fruits (many, a few or none; colour; shape). | — |
| 18 | (a) 24 plants (b) 72 mugs | 3 × 8 = 24; 24 × 3 = 72 |
| 19 | peepal: tree; bottle gourd: climber; sugarcane: grass; coriander: herb. (The stem tells us: a woody trunk, woody stems, a soft stem, or a thin stem that climbs or creeps.) | — |
| 20 | (a) turns into a fruit (b) holds the plant up and carries water to the leaves | — |