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**Stage 2**

**Microbes**

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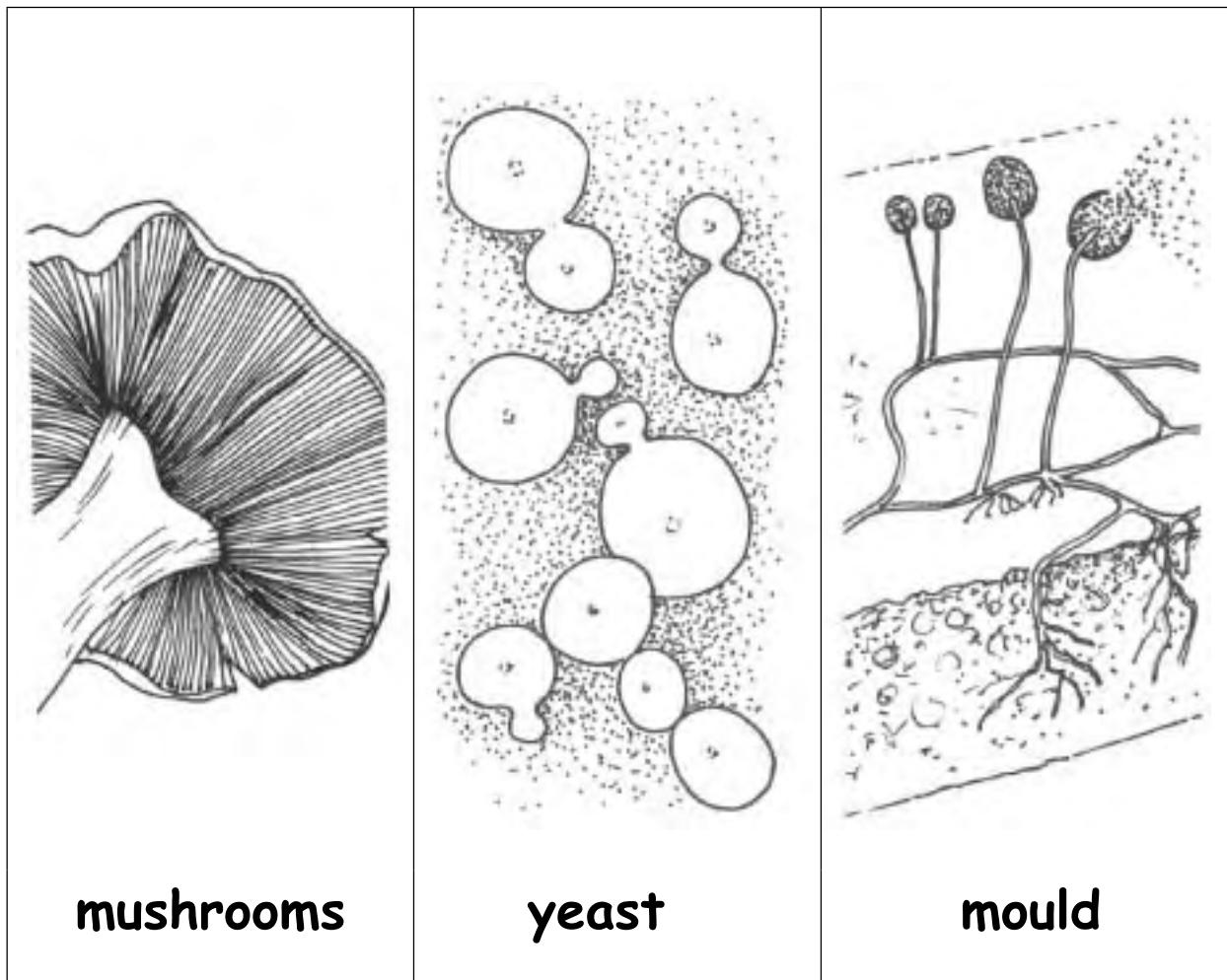
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# MICROBES

## Fungi -

A topic based language learning programme for students learning English at  
English Language Intensive Programme (ELIP) Stage 2

Age: Secondary



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# INTRODUCTION

## MICROBES

### Fungi - mushrooms, yeast, mould

The purpose of this unit is to teach some of the basic skills of English using a scaffolded learning approach. The topic fungi is linked to the Year 11 Science curriculum. The theme is microbes and there are three topics - fungi, bacteria and viruses. This unit is on the topic of fungi. The unit begins with a look at the parts of a microscope and an introduction to the general theme of microbes.

#### Possible things to do:

- Allow students to use a microscope. It may be possible to borrow some slides from the Science Department or students may be able to have a lesson in a science laboratory.

#### Mushrooms

- Obtain some large field mushrooms, break some in half and arrange the mushrooms in clusters for students to study and sketch.
- Many types of dried mushrooms can be purchased from supermarkets.

#### Yeast

- Show students a variety of breads - those with yeast and those without.
- Put some dried yeast in a glass with sugar to demonstrate the chemical reaction.
- Arrange a visit to a local bakery to watch bread being made. This is an opportunity for procedural and recount writing.

#### Mould:

- As you begin teaching the *Microbes* unit, start growing some bread and fruit mould in a dark place. The tiny threads are visible and your students can see how mould grows. Show students blue vein cheese.

## Teacher notes - Objectives and activity guide

Overall objectives.

At the end of this unit students will be able to :

- Identify technical words related to parts of the microscope, microbes and fungi.
- Know the forms of some singular and plural nouns.
- Distinguish between simple and compound sentences.
- Identify prepositional phrases and phrasal verbs.
- Identify verb phrases.
- Understand synonyms.
- Write a description and a scientific explanation using simple and compound sentences.

### ACTIVITY 1-6 ~ Reading and word focus

#### TOPIC A: The parts of a microscope

Diagram: a. eyepiece b. barrel c. high powered lens d. low powered lens  
e. clips f. stage g. mirror h. base i. arm

#### Activity 1

a) Write on the whiteboard the definition of a microscope such as:

A microscope is an instrument used to magnify very small things so that we can look at them and study them.

Erase a word one at a time and get students to read the definition until most or all the words are erased. Leave a line the length of each word as a clue. Students then write out the definition.

b) Label the parts of the microscope. Use the OHT to assist students.

c) Demonstrate how a crossword works. Complete the crossword using the diagram to find the information. ANSWERS.

Across. 1. arm 3. barrel 5. stage 6. low 8. clips

Down. 2. mirror 3. base 4. eyepiece 6. lens 7. high

#### TOPIC B: Microbes - An overview

KEY WORDS: *microbes float air water soil tiny microscope disease harmful harmless necessary people animals survive fungi bacteria viruses*

### Activity 2

Teacher to sketch the pictures on the whiteboard or students draw their own pictures to illustrate the words.

### Activity 3

Match the words with the pictures.

### Activity 4 (photocopy the word list twice)

- a) Students find the definitions using their dictionaries.
- b) Students cut, match and paste the definitions next to the words.

### Activity 5

- a) Use the OHT of the text to read the passage. Discuss any difficult words and draw attention to syllabification, word stress and tonal grouping of phrases as the text is read.
- b) Use the OHT of fungi, a bacterium and viruses. Students copy the pictures onto their workpage.

### Activity 6

- a) Complete the crossword puzzle.

**Across.** 4. air 5. animals 7. viruses 9. microbes 10. people

**Down** 1. fungi 2. microscope 3. bacteria 6. disease 8. soil

- b) Use the words from the puzzle to complete the text **Microbes**.

### Activity 7

Nouns - singular and plural

<b>ACTIVITY 8 ~ Listening and writing focus</b>
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### Activity 8

Disappearing text (Completion Dictation : Nation 1955)

More and more words are deleted until the students write every word. Make sure that students fold each section so that they can only see one section at a time. Pens down at all times other than when writing the dictation.

## ACTIVITY 9 ~ Grammar and writing focus

### Activity 9

Teach simple and compound sentences. (page 25)

a) Cut out the sentence parts and combine to make simple sentences. Write in workbooks. Underline the verb phrases.

b) Combine the simple sentences to make compound sentences.

Sentences: 1. A microscope magnifies very small things.

2. Most bacteria are very helpful.

3. Mould grows on soft fruit and bread.

4. A mushroom has a cap, a stalk and gills.

5. Microbes live in air, water and soil.

6. Viruses can cause serious diseases.

## ACTIVITY 10 ~ Reading, writing, speaking and listening focus

### Activity 10

Partnership dictation. Each student has a partner. They dictate to each other in turn. If you give the dictation on Monday, then students can prepare one dictation for 4 nights of the week. For homework the dictation is written out three times each with attention to spelling of the more difficult words.

Teachers may prepare more partnership dictation for each of the topic headings. Change partners each week.

## ACTIVITY 11 ~ Word focus

### TOPIC C Fungi - An overview

**KEY WORDS:** *absorb surroundings nutrients a particle ripe drift enzymes food spores food supply*

### Activity 11

Match the words with the definitions.

## ACTIVITY 12 ~ Reading and grammar focus

### Activity 12

Use the OHT texts *Fungi, How fungi feed, How fungi reproduce* for whole class reading. Identify verb phrases.



## ACTIVITY 13 - 14 ~ Word focus

### TOPIC D: Mushrooms

KEY WORDS: *web*   *fresh*   *dried*   *cultivate*   *scale*   *reproduce*  
*surface*   *preserved*   *dehydrated*

#### Activity 13

Read the text and label the parts of a mushroom.

#### Activity 14

Use dictionaries to complete the word list.

## ACTIVITY 15 - 17 ~ Reading, word and writing focus

#### Activity 15

- Read the text and complete the chart.
- Tick the boxes and use the information to write **simple sentences** such as - "A plant has leaves", and **compound sentences** using *but* such as "Plants need light to grow **but** mushrooms can grow in the dark".

#### Activity 16

- Students work individually.
- Find and underline the puzzle words in the **Mushroom** text.
- Complete the puzzle.

#### Activity 17

Teacher reads the sentences and students sequence and match with the pictures.

#### Activity 18

- Draw students' attention to the language features of an explanation text.
- Students cut out the sentences and reconstruct a paragraph and then write the paragraph in their workbooks. Underline the verb phrases.

## ACTIVITY 19 ~ Listening and writing focus

#### Activity 19

Disappearing Text. Same as Activity 8.

## ACTIVITY 20 - 21 ~ Word and reading focus

### TOPIC E: Yeast

**KEY WORDS:** a cell evaporate moisture warmth dough alcohol  
a bud rise bake carbon dioxide bread

#### Activity 20

Match the words with the definitions.

#### Activity 21

Use the OHT for whole class reading. Identify the verb phrases and nouns.

#### Activity 22

Synonyms. Students complete the table with the synonyms.

1. warmth 2. moisture 3. is mixed 4. feed on 5. produces 6. dough 7. expands  
8. is placed 9. stops 10. kills

## ACTIVITY 23 ~ Grammar focus

#### Activity 23

- Underline the phrasal verbs.
- Underline the prepositional phrases.

## ACTIVITY 24 ~ Reading focus

#### Activity 24

Cut out the pictures and sentences. Match, sequence and paste onto the worksheet.

## ACTIVITY 25 ~ Word focus

### TOPIC F: Mould

**KEY WORDS:** threads tangled secrete moist moisture ripe

#### Activity 25

Complete the word list using dictionaries.

## ACTIVITY 26 ~ Reading and writing focus

### Activity 26

Use the OHT for whole class reading. Identify the verb phrases and nouns. Match the sentence parts and write out the sentences.

## ACTIVITY 27 ~ Reading, speaking, listening and writing focus

### Activity 27

Cut and stick in places at one end of the classroom. Divide the class into pairs. One student reads a sentence and runs to tell their partner who is seated at a desk at the opposite end of the room. They listen and write the sentence down. When all the sentences have been dictated, the students swap tasks.

## ACTIVITY 28 ~ Grammar focus

### Activity 28

Identify and underline the verb phrases.

## ACTIVITY 29 - 31 ~ Word focus

### Activity 29

Vocabulary assessment worksheets. These can be given at the end of the unit.

### Activity 30

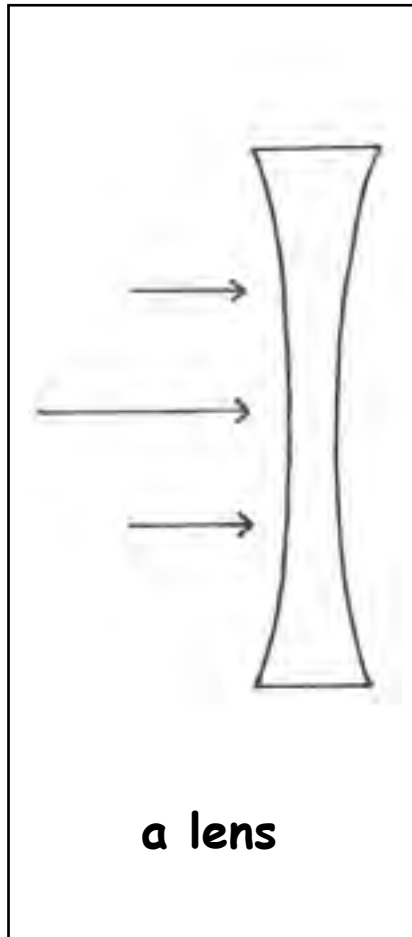
Writing assessment

- a) Introduce the topic of cheese. Show students different kinds of cheese and discuss the process of cheese-making. Use a mind map to record students' background knowledge of cheese. They may use this information in the written description. Teach the technical terms *fermentation*, *rennet*, *a starter culture*, *curds* and *whey*. Use the text (teacher copy) as a guide.
- b) Show the students some 'blue cheese'. Explain how mould is used in cheese-making and how cheese becomes blue. Use the text (teacher copy) and illustrations as a guide. Students then write a description of cheese and an explanation of how cheese becomes blue.

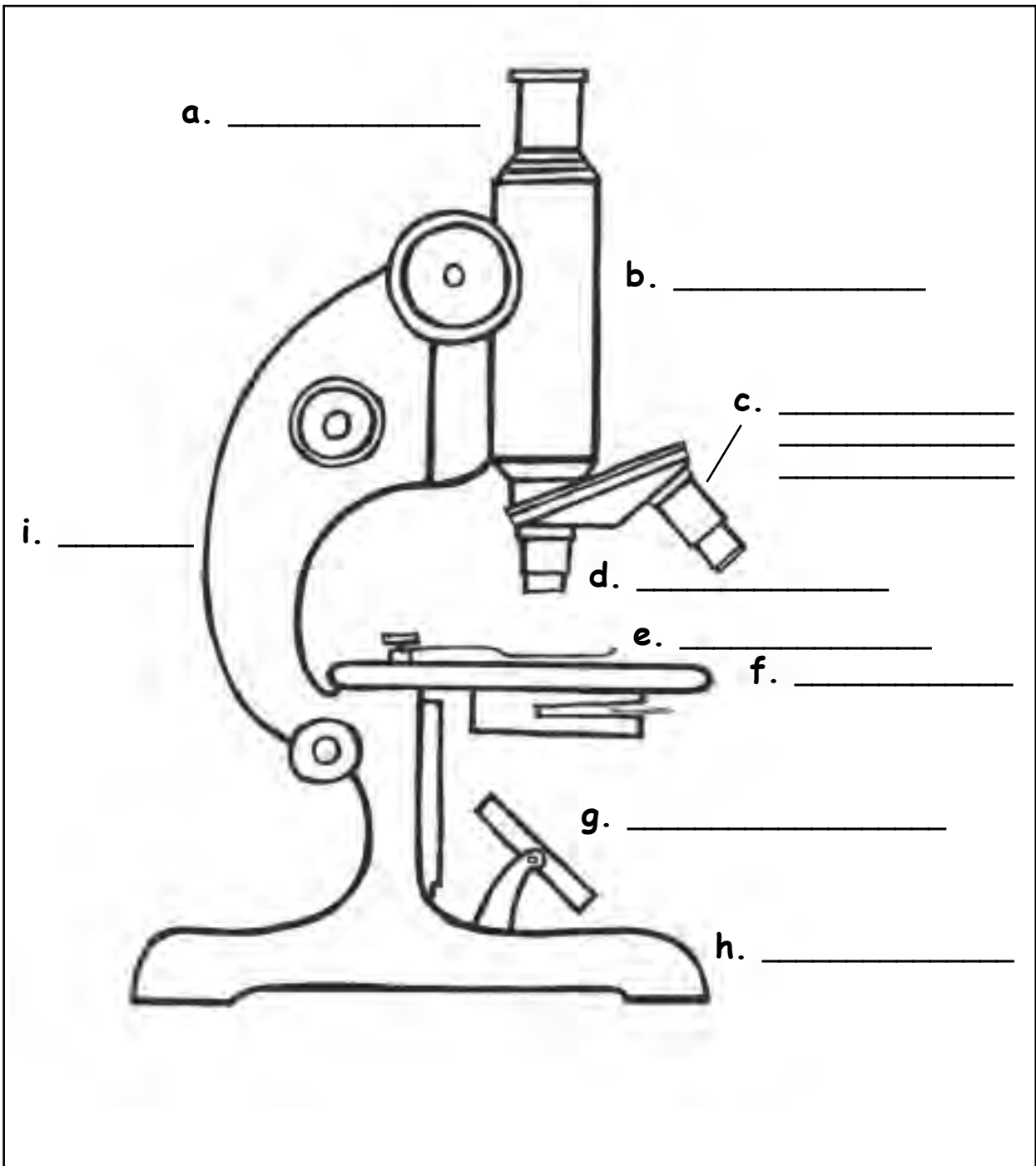
### **Activity 31**

Bingo. Use the word lists to play Bingo. Students draw a grid for 9 words and students select 9 words from the list of 12. This game can be played periodically throughout the unit. This game promotes listening and spelling skills.

# The parts of a microscope



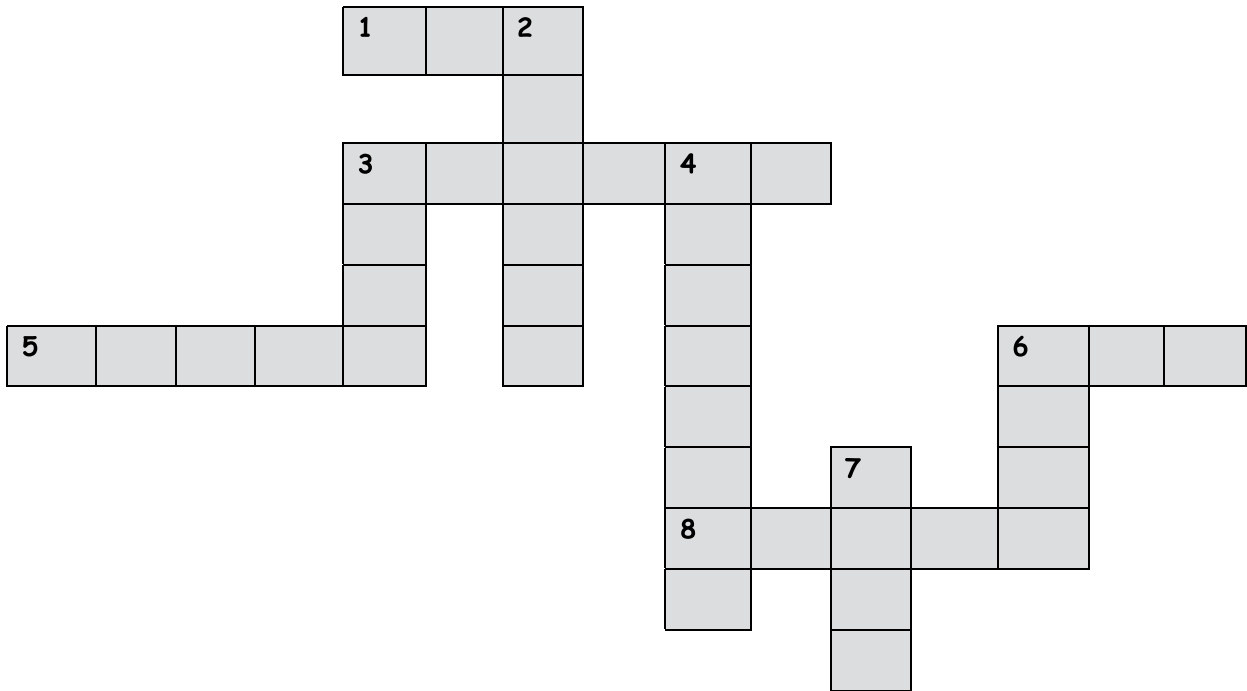
OHT and student copy **The parts of a microscope**



mirror	base	arm	stage	eyepiece	clips
	high powered lens		low powered lens	barrel	

# The parts of a microscope

- Look at the diagram of a microscope and complete the crossword puzzle.



## Across

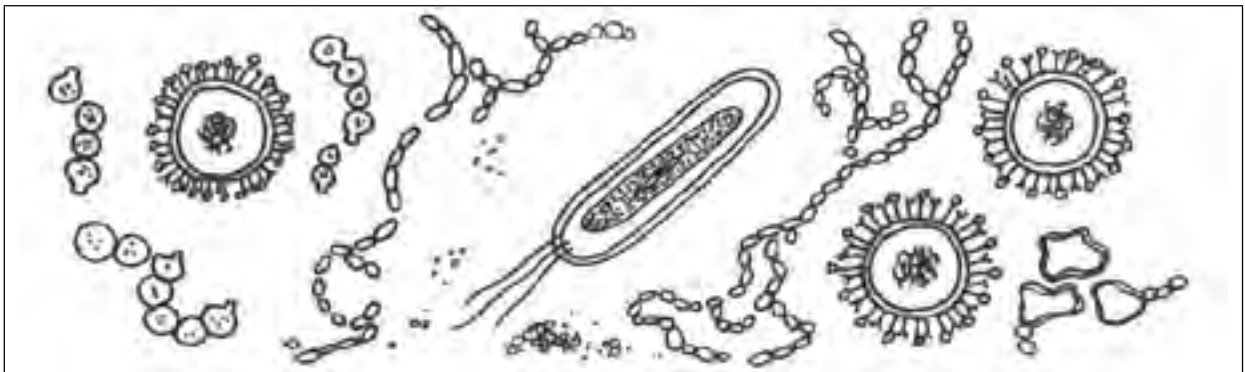
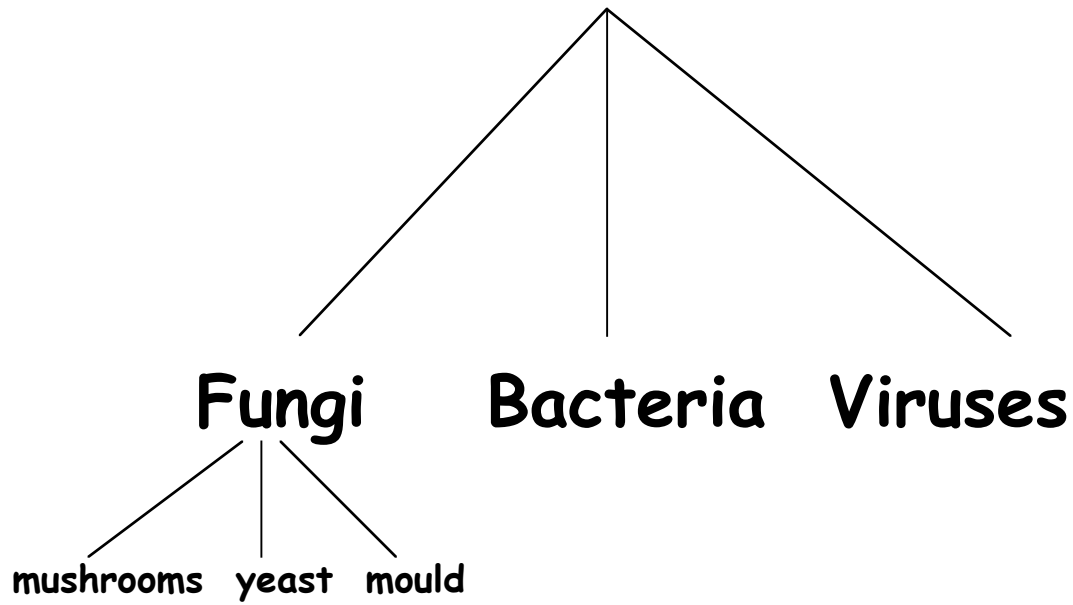
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the part you can hold onto when you move the microscope.
- The tube you look down is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The part where you put the slides is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- This lens gives \_\_\_\_\_ magnification. (shortest one)
- The \_\_\_\_\_ hold the slide on the stage.

## Down

- The \_\_\_\_\_ reflects the light.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the flat part at the bottom of the microscope.
- The lens you look into is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- A \_\_\_\_\_ provides magnification.
- This lens gives \_\_\_\_\_ magnification. (longest one)

# INTRODUCTION

## Microbes





Key words

**Microbes**





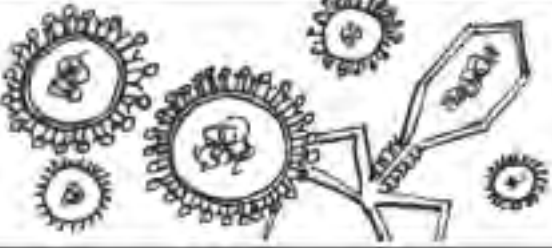

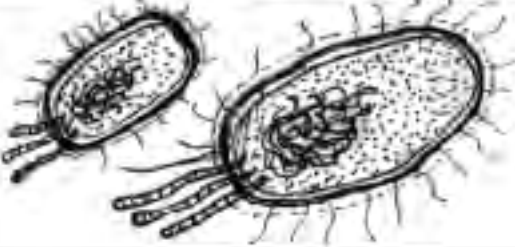



**ACTIVITY 2**


**air**                  **water**                  **soil**                  **microscope**                  **disease**  
**people**              **animals**              **fungi**                  **bacteria**                  **viruses**

Key words

Microbes

ACTIVITY 3

air  
people

water  
animals

soil  
fungi

microscope  
bacteria

disease  
viruses

## Microbes

- Use your dictionary to find the meaning of each word.

First language	English	Definition
	<b>microbes</b> noun	
	<b>float</b> verb	
	<b>air</b> noun	
	<b>water</b> noun	
	<b>soil</b> noun	
	<b>tiny</b> adjective	
	<b>microscope</b> noun	
	<b>disease</b> noun	
	<b>harmful</b> adjective	
	<b>harmless</b> adjective	
	<b>necessary</b> adjective	
	<b>people</b> noun	
	<b>animals</b> noun	
	<b>survive</b> verb	
	<b>groups</b> noun	

- Give one list to each student. Paste next to the matching word.

living things that are not plants,  
people or microbes

humans

to stay alive

very important

can hurt or harm you

will not hurt or harm you

an instrument that magnifies  
small objects

very, very small

sickness

a liquid

a mixture of gases that we  
breathe

the top layer of the earth's  
surface - plants grow in it

very tiny living things

drift

things or people linked together  
in some way

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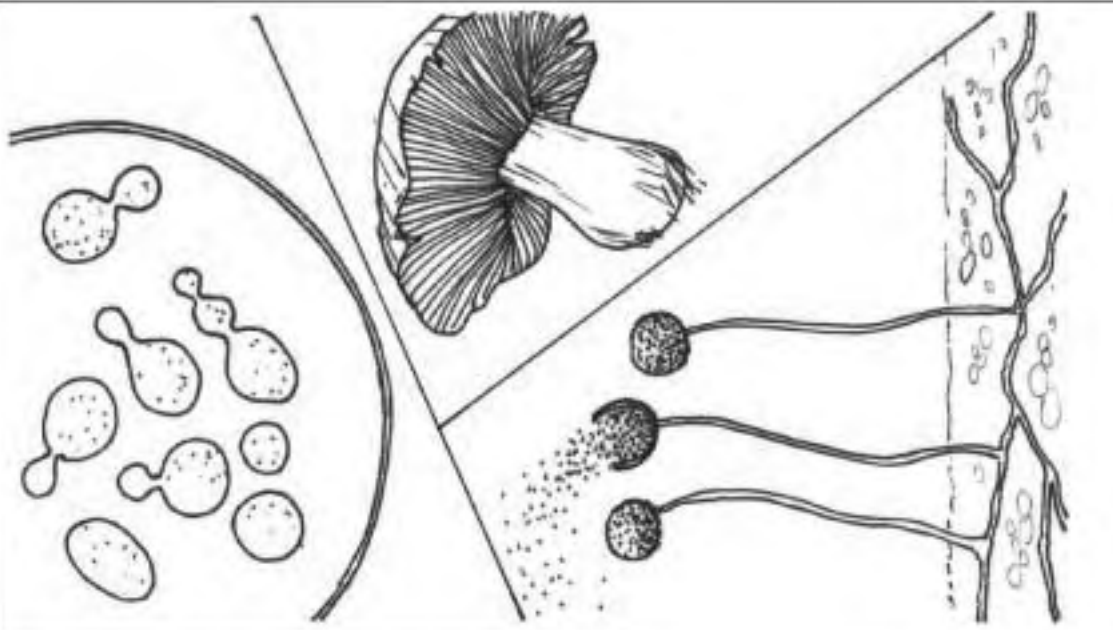
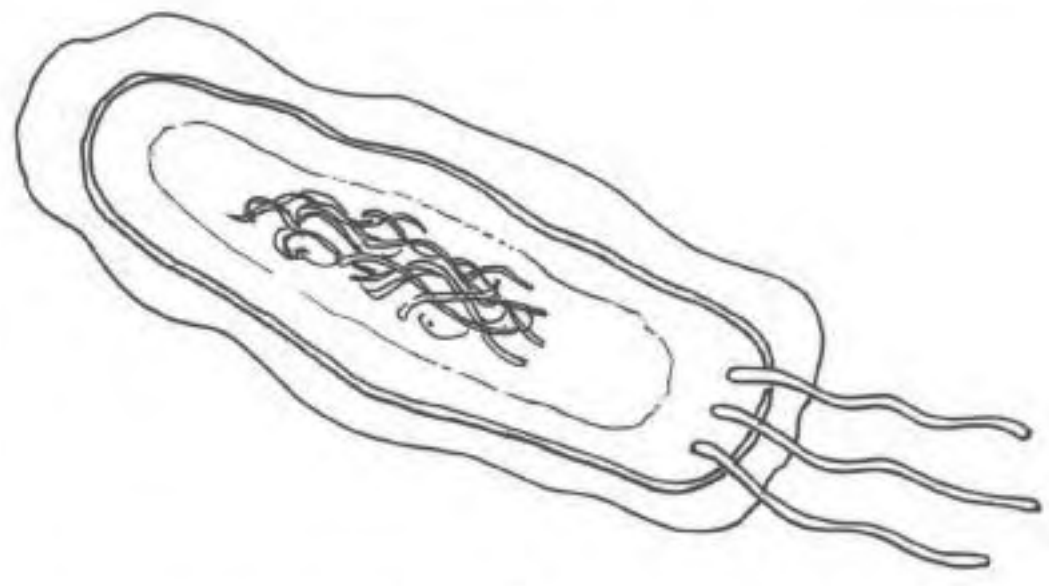
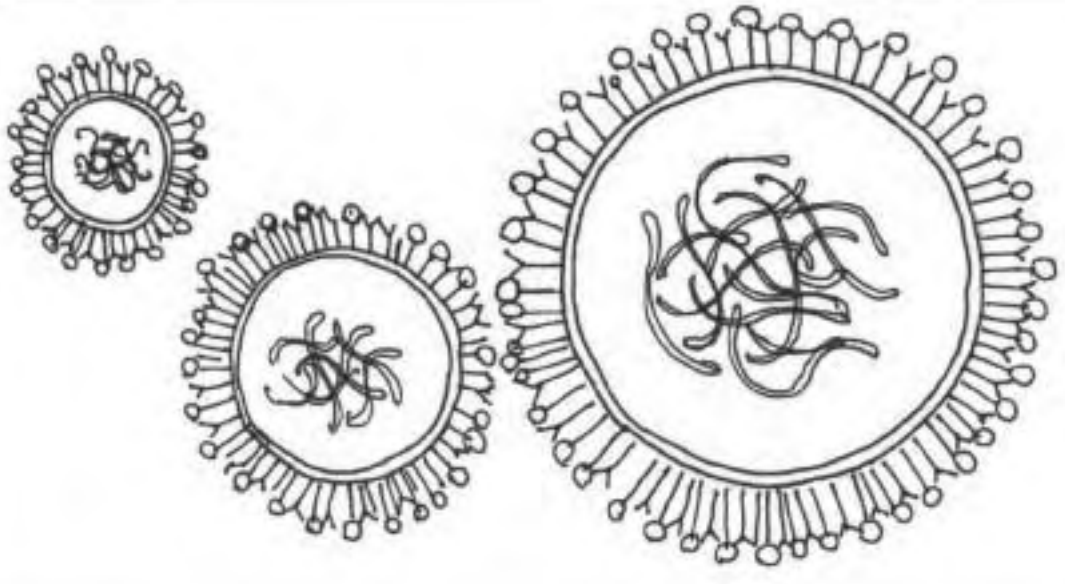
drift

things or people linked together  
in some way

First Language	English	Definition
	<b>microbes</b> noun	very tiny living things
	<b>float</b> verb	drift
	<b>air</b> noun	a mixture of gases that we breathe
	<b>water</b> noun	a liquid - all living things need it
	<b>soil</b> noun	the top layer of the earth's surface - plants grow in soil
	<b>tiny</b> adjective	very, very small
	<b>microscope</b> noun	an instrument that magnifies very small things
	<b>disease</b> noun	sickness
	<b>harmful</b> adjective	can hurt or harm you
	<b>harmless</b> adjective	will not hurt or harm you
	<b>necessary</b> adjective	very important
	<b>people</b> noun	humans
	<b>animals</b> noun	living things that are not plants, people or microbes
	<b>survive</b> verb	to stay alive
	<b>groups</b> noun	things or people linked together in some way

□ Activity.....OHT for students to copy.

**ACTIVITY 5**

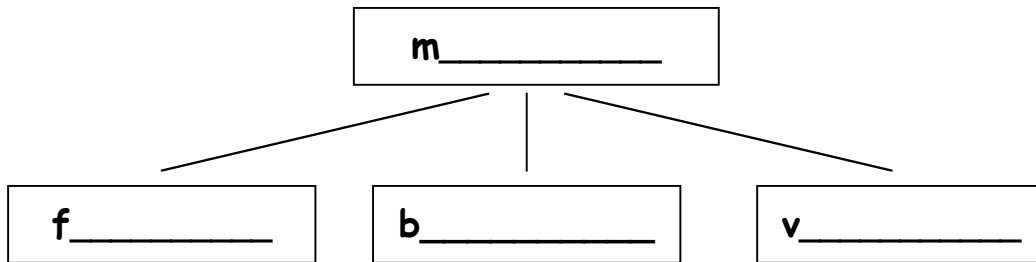
		
<p><b>Fungi</b></p>	<p><b>a bacterium</b></p>	<p><b>Viruses</b></p>

# Microbes

Microbes are found everywhere. Some float in the air and some live in water and soil. Microbes are very tiny so we must use a microscope to see them.

There are thousands of different types of microbes. Some microbes are harmful and cause disease but most of them are harmless. Some microbes are very necessary and people and animals could not survive without them.

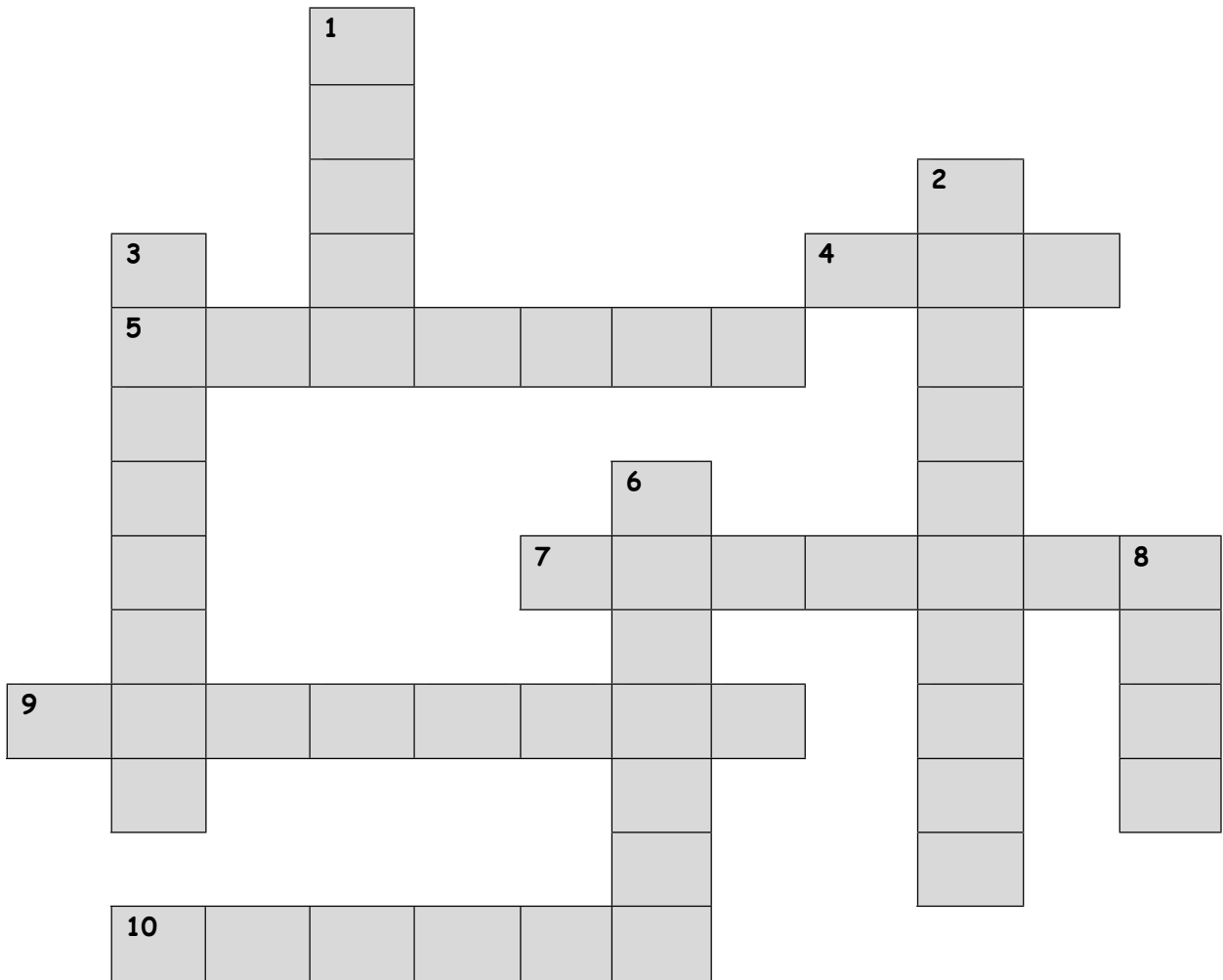
There are three main groups of microbes. They are fungi, bacteria and viruses.



Three main groups of microbes

fungi	bacteria	viruses

### Microbes - Crossword puzzle



Across		Down	
4	we breathe it in	1	mushrooms, yeast, mould
5	living things - cows, sheep, camels	2	magnifies very small things
7	microbes that cause disease	3	some are helpful, some are harmful
9	tiny living organisms	6	sickness
10	humans	8	plants grow in this



## Microbes

- Write the ten words from the puzzle in the boxes below.


- Use the words to complete the text. You may need to use the same word more than once.

### Microbes

\_\_\_\_\_ are found everywhere. Some float in the \_\_\_ and some live in water and \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ are very tiny so we must use a \_\_\_\_\_ to see them.

There are thousands of different types of \_\_\_\_\_. Some are harmful and cause \_\_\_\_\_ but most of them are harmless. Some \_\_\_\_\_ are very necessary and without them \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ could not survive.

There are three main groups of \_\_\_\_\_. They are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

## Nouns

### ACTIVITY 7

Nouns can be singular (microbe) or plural (microbes). We add an 's' to some words to change them from singular to plural.

- Complete the following table.

SINGULAR	PLURAL
soil	
microscope	
	diseases
animal	
virus	
mirror	
	arms
	bases
	organisms
human	
	instruments
	gases
liquid	
	plants

Sometimes we change the spelling of a word to change it from singular to plural.

fungus	
bacterium	
lens	(add 'es')

Sometimes a noun means both singular and plural. The spelling stays the same.

people	water	air
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# Microbes

## Disappearing text

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There are \_\_\_\_\_ of different types \_\_ microbes. Some microbes are \_\_\_\_\_ and cause disease but most of them are harmless. Some microbes are \_\_\_\_\_ necessary. People and \_\_\_\_\_ could not survive without \_\_\_\_\_. There are three main \_\_\_\_\_ of microbes. They are fungi, \_\_\_\_\_ and viruses.

FOLD A.....

There are thousands of \_\_\_\_\_ types of \_\_\_\_\_. Some microbes \_\_ harmful and cause disease but \_\_\_\_\_ of them are harmless. Some \_\_\_\_\_ are very necessary. \_\_\_\_\_ and animals \_\_\_\_\_ not survive \_\_\_\_\_ them. There are \_\_\_\_\_ main groups of microbes. They are \_\_\_\_\_, bacteria and viruses.

FOLD B.....

There are \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ types of \_\_\_\_\_. Some microbes are \_\_\_\_\_ and cause disease but most of \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_. Some microbes are very \_\_\_\_\_. People and animals could \_\_ survive \_\_\_\_\_ them. There are three \_\_\_\_\_ of microbes. They are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

FOLD C.....

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## Simple sentences and compound sentences

### What is a sentence?

- A sentence must make complete sense.
- The first word of a sentence must begin with a capital letter.
- Each sentence ends with a full stop.
- Each sentence must have a finite verb (one that is marked for tense).

### Simple sentences

- A **clause** is a group of words that always contains a finite verb.
- A **simple sentence** is a main clause. It can stand alone or be part of a longer sentence.

Microbes are found everywhere.  
Some microbes float in the air.  
A microscope magnifies very small things.

### Compound sentences

- A **compound sentence** is made up of two main clauses.
- The two clauses are joined together by **conjunctions** such as *and*, *but* or *so*.

Microbes are found everywhere *and* most of them are harmless.

MAIN CLAUSE

Microbes are found everywhere.

MAIN CLAUSE

Most of them are harmless.

Some microbes are harmful *but* most of them are harmless.

MAIN CLAUSE

Some microbes are harmful.

MAIN CLAUSE

Most of them are harmless.

**Microbes**

□ Sentence reconstruction (simple sentences).

Most bacteria	can cause	very small things.
A microscope	magnifies	very helpful.
Mould	grows	in air, water and soil.
A mushroom	live	a cap, stalk and gills.
Viruses	has	on soft fruit and bread
Microbes	are	serious diseases.

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Viruses	has	on soft fruit and bread.
Microbes	are	serious diseases.

## Compound sentences

### ACTIVITY 9

- Match the following clauses and use a conjunction to make compound sentences. Write the sentences on the lines below. Use *and*, *but* or *so*.

MAIN CLAUSE	MAIN CLAUSE
1. A microscope is an instrument.	People could not survive without them.
2. Some microbes live in the air.	It must be carried carefully.
3. Water is a liquid.	Some are harmless.
4. Some bacteria are harmful.	I went for a walk.
5. Some microbes are necessary.	Mould is used to make cheese.
6. Yeast is used to make bread.	Air is a gas.
7. The rain stopped.	I ate my lunch.
8. A microscope is heavy.	Mushrooms grow in soil and humus.
9. Mould grows on bread.	It is used to magnify things.
10. I felt hungry.	Some live in soil and water.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_

## Fungi, bacteria and viruses

<p>1. Some microbes are too small to be visible to the human eye. We need to use a microscope to see them. Microbes are everywhere. Some float in the air and some live in water and soil.</p>	<p>2. There are three kinds of fungi. Different kinds have different shapes and sizes. Yeast is used to make bread. Moulds are made up of tiny, thin threads. Mushrooms can be seen without a microscope.</p>
<p>3. Most bacteria are helpful to humans. Bacteria are found everywhere. They are found in the air and soil, in our food and drink and in plants and animals. Bacteria are probably the most numerous living things on earth.</p>	<p>4. The smallest microbes are viruses. They can only be seen through an electron microscope. Viruses need other living organisms to reproduce. They lie on the borderline between living and non-living things.</p>

- Do you know the meaning of these words?  
Use a dictionary to check the meanings. Make sure you know these words in your first language.

**visible** .....  
(adjective)

**numerous** .....  
(adjective)

**an electron microscope** .....  
(noun)

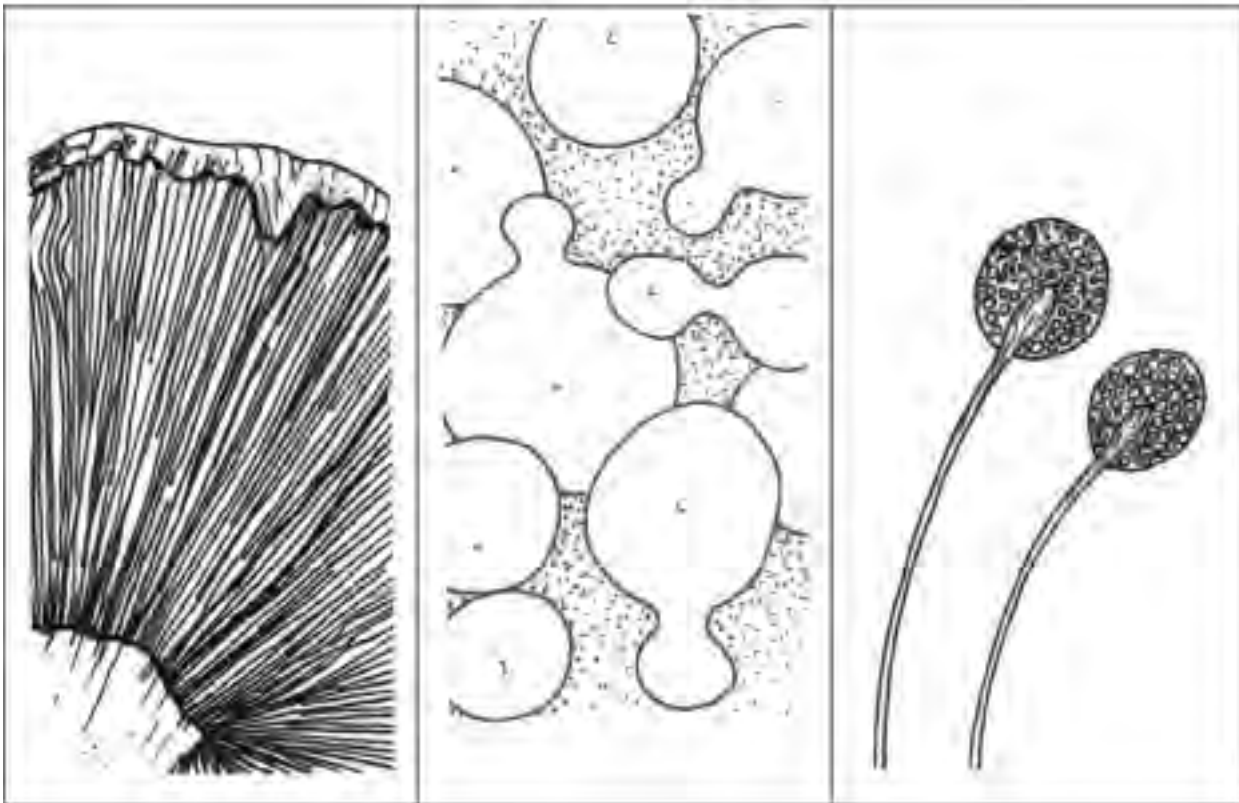
**borderline** .....  
(adjective)

# Fungi

mushrooms

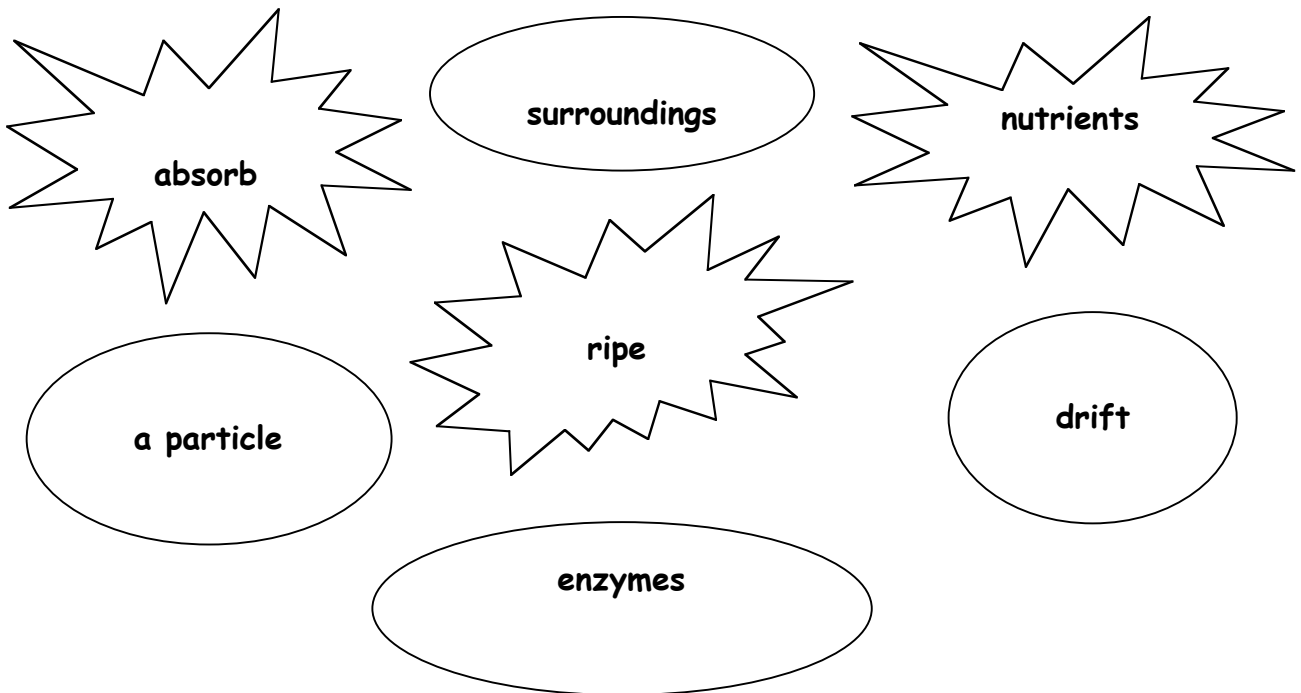
yeast

mould





First language	Word	Definition
	verb	to take in, soak up
	noun	are substances that help people, plants or animals grow
	noun	the area or place where something lives or grows
	noun	a very small piece of something
	verb	to float in the wind or on water
	adjective	when a pod is ready to burst open or fruit is ready to be eaten
	noun	chemical substances

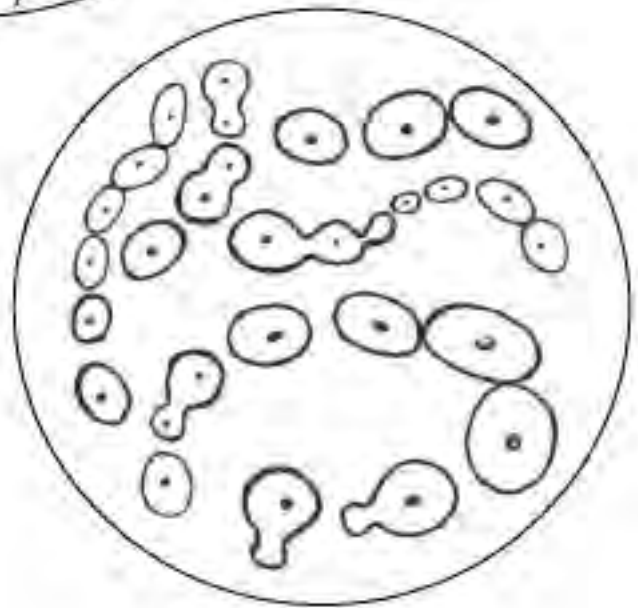


## Fungi - an introduction

ACTIVITY 12

### Fungi

Fungi do not have roots, leaves, flowers or seeds. They do not make their own food like plants do. Fungi absorb and use nutrients from their surroundings. Some fungi are very large. Some are very tiny and can only be seen with a microscope.



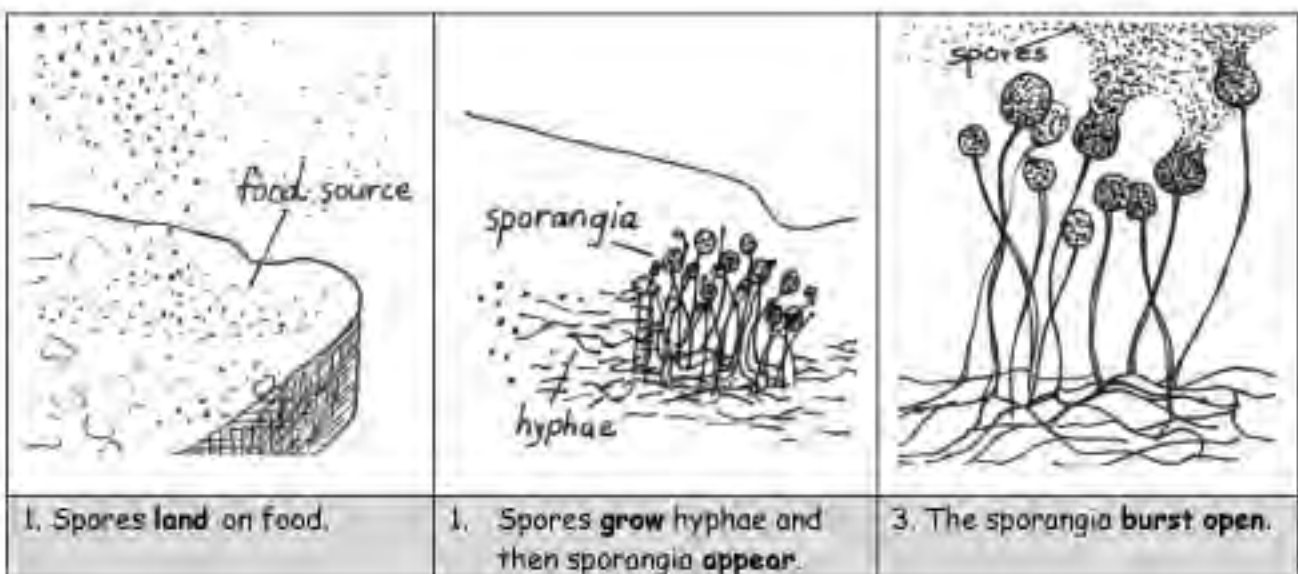
## How fungi feed

Fungi feed by absorbing food through the hyphae. Fungi grow on top of their food supply. The hyphae grow down through the food source. Enzymes break down the food so that it can be absorbed by the hyphae.

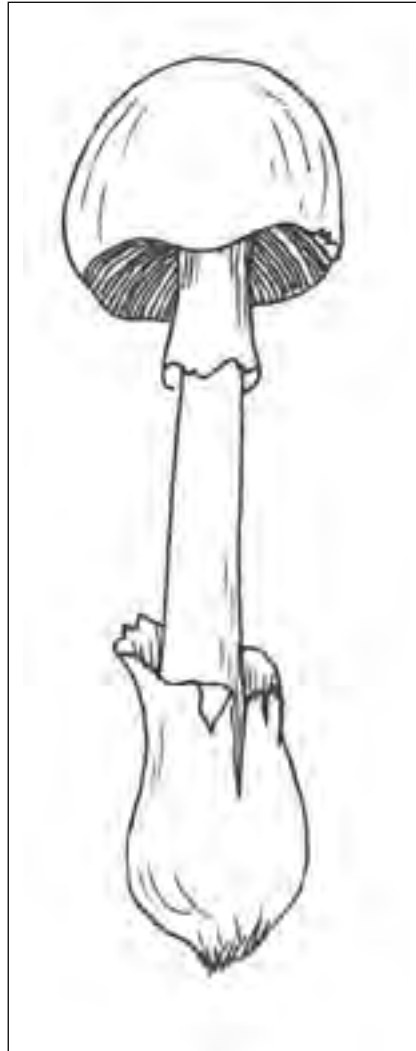


## How fungi reproduce

Fungi grow from spores. These are tiny microscopic particles. When the spores land on a suitable food source a new fungus will grow. Spores are made inside the sporangia. When the sporangia are ripe, they burst open and the spores drift away.



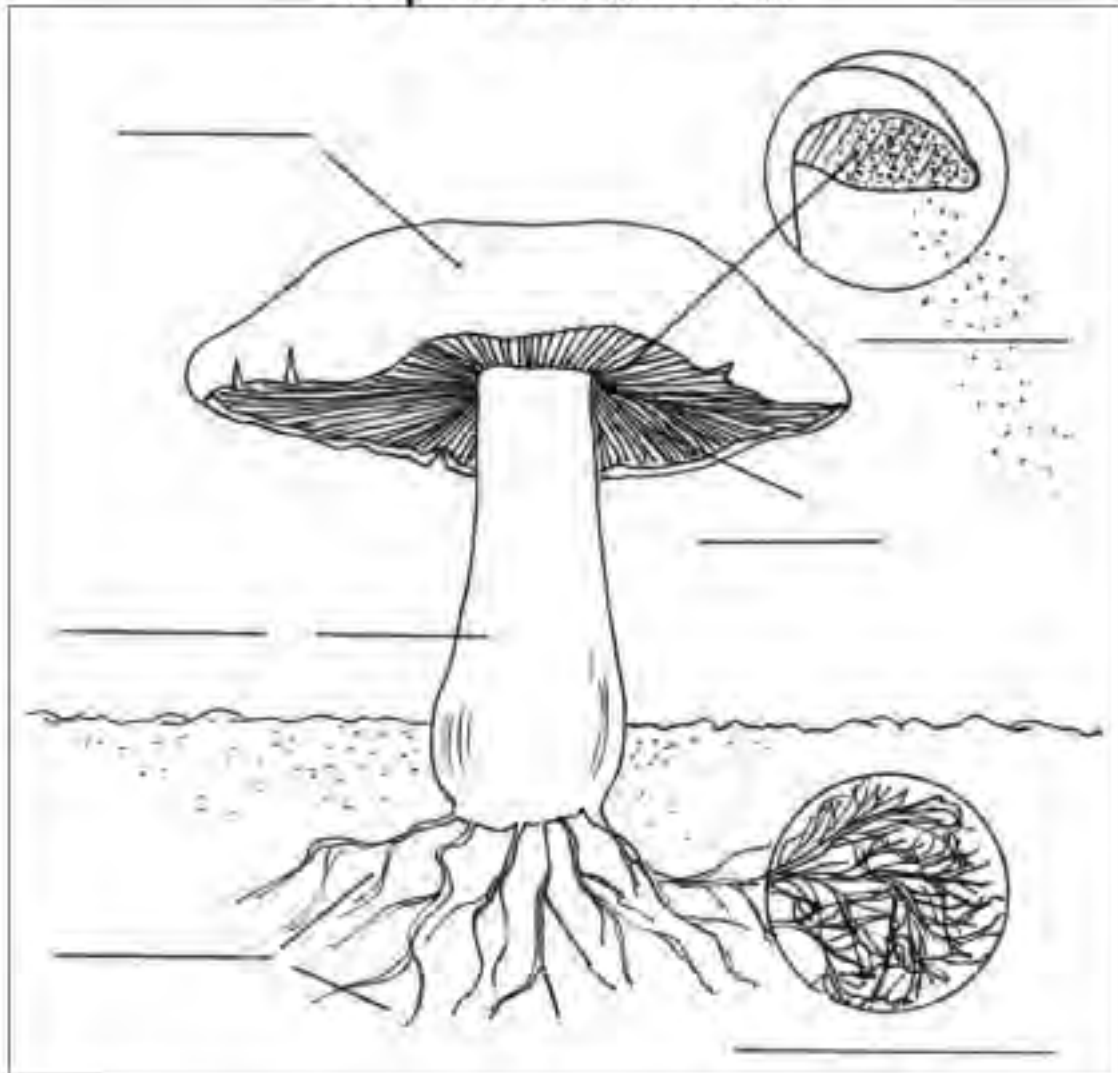
# Mushrooms



## Mushrooms

- Read the text and complete the diagram.

## The parts of a mushroom



hyphae

mycelium

stalk

cap

gills

spores

The **hyphae** take in water and nutrients from the soil. The fine web of threads is called a **mycelium**. On top of the **stalk** is the **cap**. Inside the cap are the **gills**. The **spores** grow on the gills.

Key words

Mushrooms

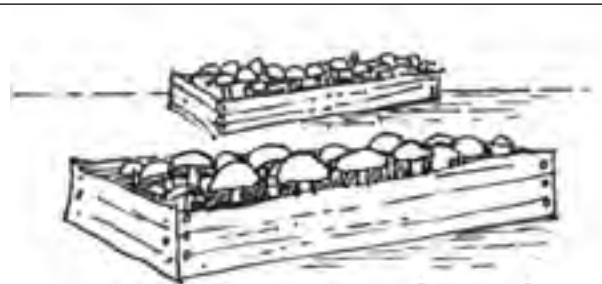
First language	Word	Definition
	<b>web</b> noun	
	<b>fresh</b> adjective	
	<b>dried</b> adjective	
	<b>the wild</b> noun	
	<b>cultivate</b> verb	
	<b>scale</b> noun	the size of something
	<b>reproduce</b> verb	
	<b>surface</b> noun	



Word focus



These mushrooms are growing **in the wild**.



These mushrooms are **cultivated**.



These mushrooms are **fresh**.



These mushrooms are **dried**.

### Mushrooms

Mushrooms are a type of fungus. Both fresh and dried mushrooms are an important food. They grow in the wild but in many countries they are cultivated on a large scale. They are grown on mushroom farms. Often, they are grown in places where there is no light. Unlike plants, mushrooms do not need light to grow.

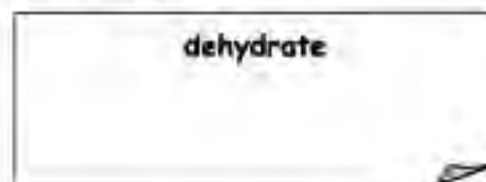
- Read the text and write the information in the chart.

What are they?	Where do they grow?	Why are they cultivated?	How are they preserved?

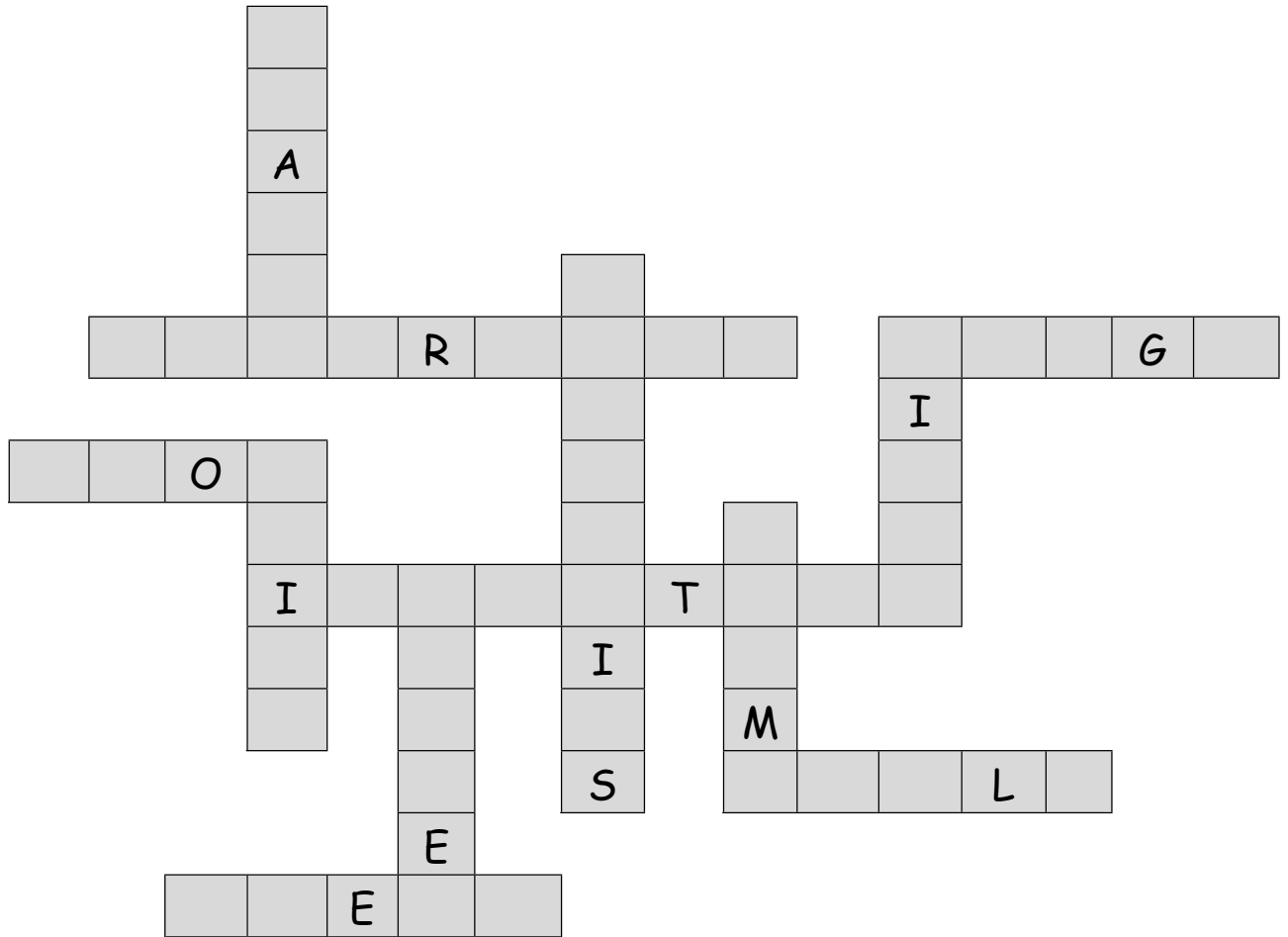
- How is a mushroom different from a plant? Tick the boxes and then write six simple sentences. Write two compound sentences using the conjunction *but*.

What it has	a mushroom	a plant
leaves		✓
roots		
hyphae		
cap		
gills		
branches		
flowers		
can grow in the dark		
needs light to grow		
grows from spores		
grows from a seed		

- Use a dictionary to find the meaning of these words



Mushrooms - Crossword Puzzle



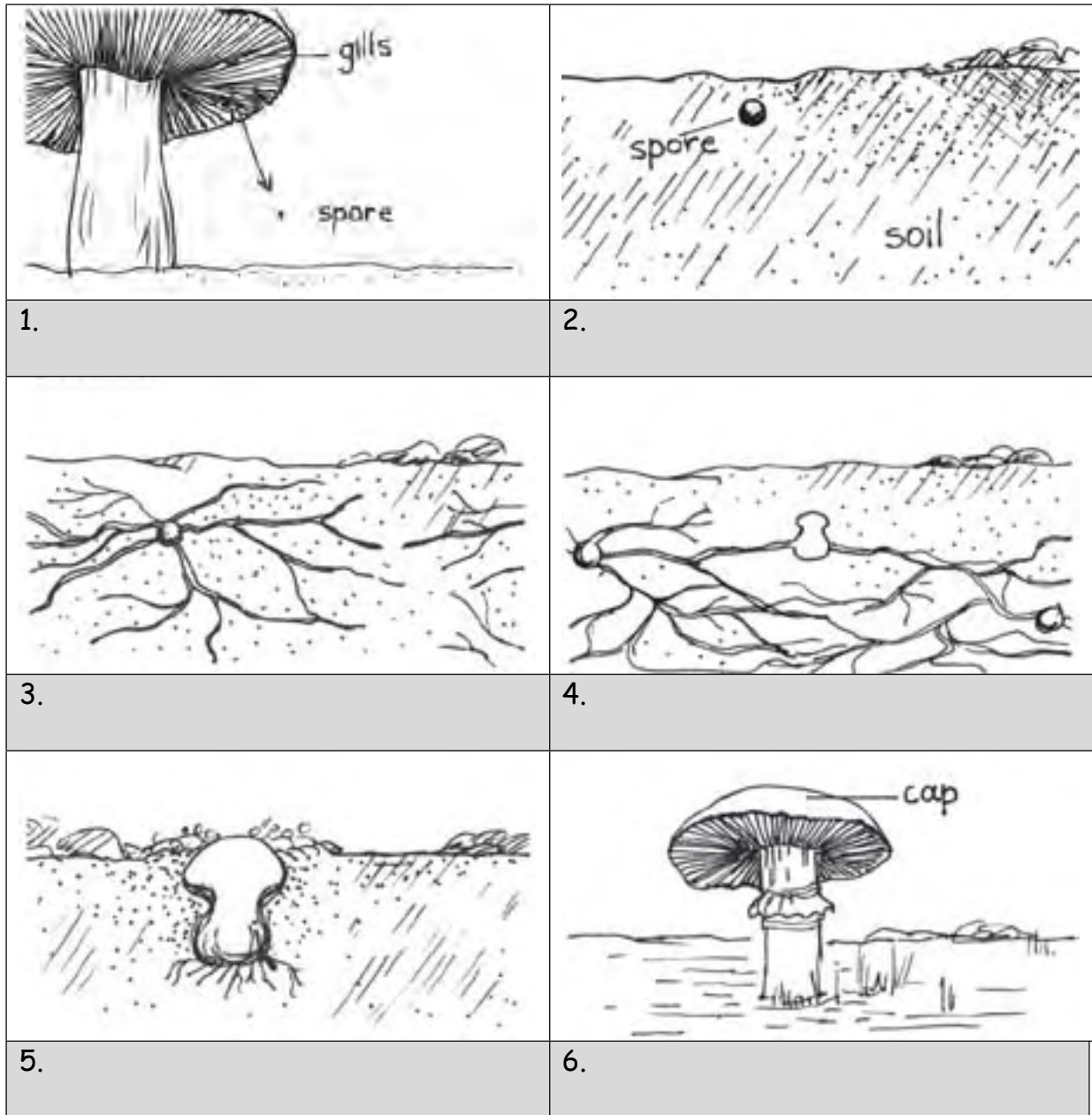
Find the words in the text *Mushroom*

Across	Down
<u>Noun</u> . 9 letters. They are fungi that we can eat.	<u>Noun</u> . 9 letters. They are places where people live.
<u>Adjective</u> . 9 letters. The last letter is a 't'.	<u>Noun</u> . 6 letters. Begins with 'pl'.
<u>Adjective</u> . 5 letters. Begins with 'fr'.	<u>Noun</u> . 6 letters. Begins with 'pl'.
<u>Noun</u> . Begins with 'sc'.	<u>Adjective</u> . Begins with 'dr'. All the moisture has been removed.
<u>Adjective</u> . This word means the same as big. It begins with 'l'.	<u>Adjective</u> . Begins with 'f'.
<u>Noun</u> . 4 letters. All living things need this to stay alive. It begins with 'f'.	<u>Noun</u> . Begins with 'l'. It means the opposite of dark.



Fungi

How a mushroom grows from a spore.



It <b>lands</b> on damp soil.	When two threads <b>meet</b> , a mushroom <b>starts to grow</b> .
The spore <b>starts to grow</b> threads.	A spore <b>falls off</b> a mushroom gill.
The mushroom <b>grows</b> and <b>pushes</b> through the soil.	As the mushroom <b>grows</b> , the cap <b>breaks away</b> from the stalk.

Fungi

Explanations

- An explanation tells *how* or *why* something happens.
- An explanation usually starts with *why* or *how*.

Text structure

**How** a mushroom grows from a spore.

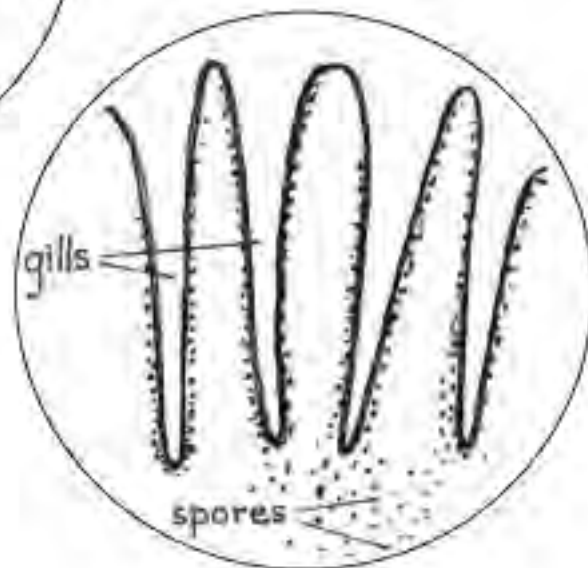
Grammar

Usually starts with a 'why' or 'how'.

The explanation is written in sequence

A mushroom spore grows on a gill inside a mushroom cap. When a spore is ripe, it falls. If a spore **falls** onto damp soil, it begins to grow hyphae (threads). When two hyphae meet, a mushroom begins to grow. As the mushroom **grows**, it **pushes** through the soil. As the mushroom gets bigger, the cap breaks away from the stalk.

action verbs - 'timeless' present tense



Paragraph reconstruction

- Cut out the sentences and sequence them correctly. Copy the paragraph into your workbooks.



.....  
 As the mushroom gets bigger, the cap breaks away from the stalk.  
 .....

If a spore falls onto damp soil, it begins to grow hyphae (threads).  
 .....

A mushroom spore grows on a gill inside a mushroom cap.  
 .....

**How a mushroom grows from a spore.**  
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When a spore is ripe it falls.  
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When two hyphae meet, a mushroom begins to grow.  
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 As the mushroom gets bigger, the cap breaks away from the stalk.  
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If a spore falls onto damp soil, it begins to grow hyphae (threads).  
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A mushroom spore grows on a gill inside a mushroom cap.  
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**How a mushroom grows from a spore.**  
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Fungi

Disappearing Dictation

How a mushroom grows from a spore.

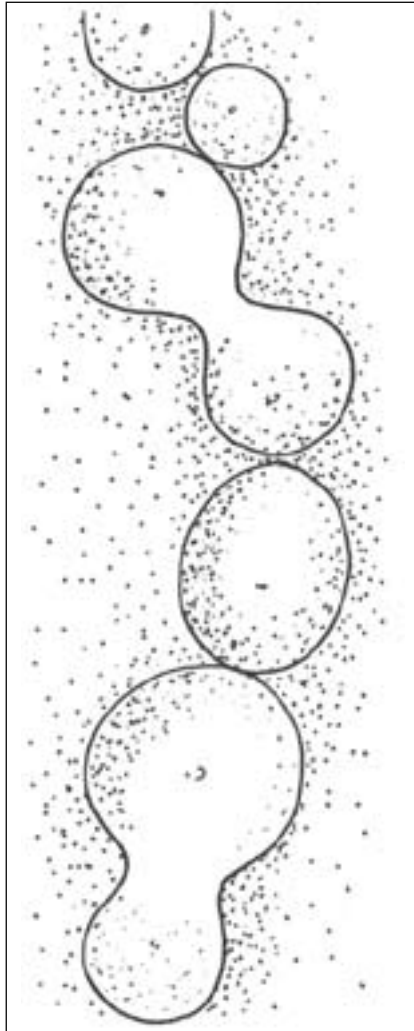
A mushroom spore \_\_\_\_\_ on a gill inside a mushroom cap. When a spore is \_\_\_\_\_ it falls. If a spore \_\_\_\_\_ onto damp soil it \_\_\_\_\_ to grow hyphae (threads). When two hyphae \_\_\_\_\_, a mushroom begins to grow. As the \_\_\_\_\_ grows it pushes through the \_\_\_\_\_. As the mushroom gets \_\_\_\_\_, the cap breaks away from \_\_\_\_\_ stalk.

Fold A -----  
\_\_\_\_\_ mushroom \_\_\_\_\_ grows on a gill \_\_\_\_\_ a mushroom cap. When a spore is ripe, \_\_\_\_\_ falls. If a spore falls onto \_\_\_\_\_ soil, it begins to grow hyphae (threads). When \_\_\_\_\_ hyphae meet, a \_\_\_\_\_ begins to grow. As the mushroom \_\_\_\_\_, it pushes \_\_\_\_\_ the soil. As \_\_\_\_\_ mushroom \_\_\_\_\_ bigger, the \_\_\_\_\_ breaks away \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

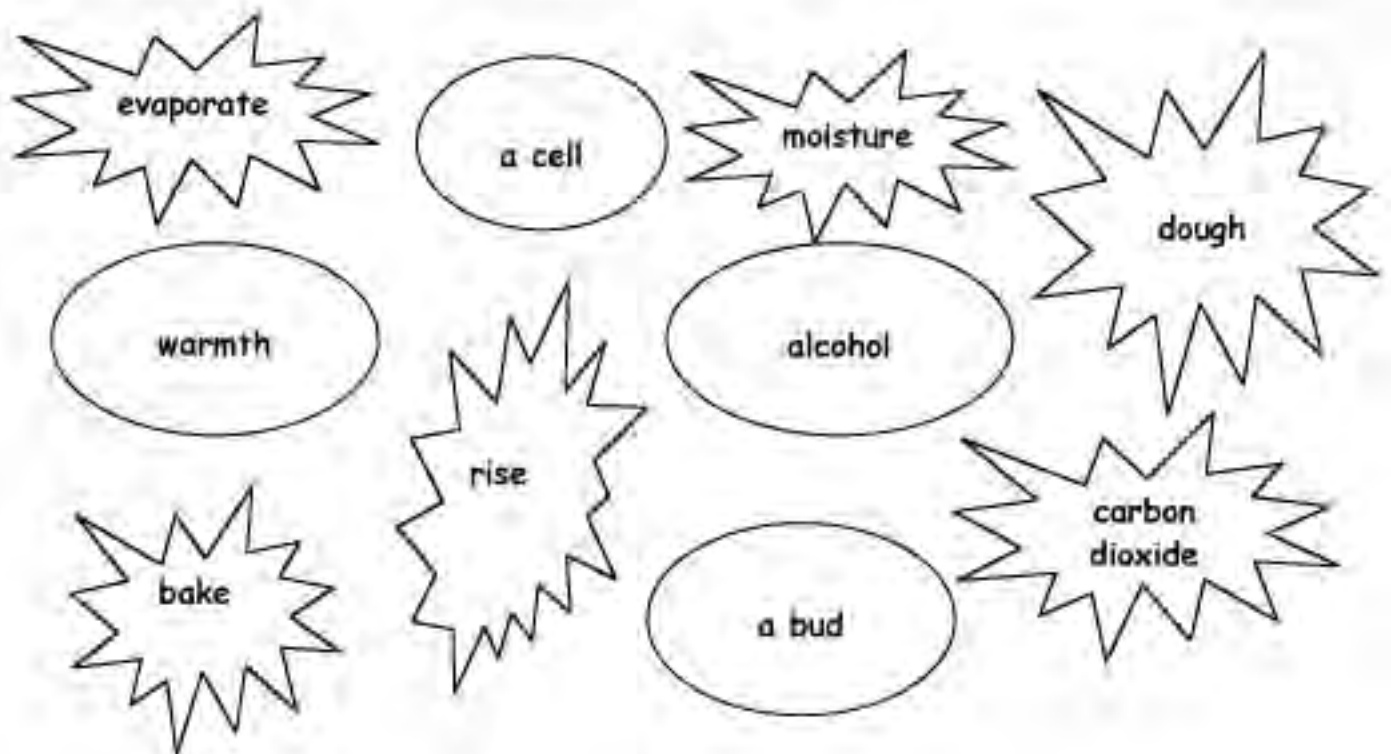
Fold B -----  
A \_\_\_\_\_ spore grows on a \_\_\_\_\_ inside a mushroom \_\_\_\_\_. When a spore is ripe, \_\_\_\_\_ falls. If a \_\_\_\_\_ falls onto damp \_\_\_\_\_, it begins \_\_\_\_\_ grow \_\_\_\_\_ (threads). \_\_\_\_\_ two hyphae \_\_\_\_\_, a mushroom \_\_\_\_\_ to grow. As \_\_\_\_\_ mushroom grows, it \_\_\_\_\_ through the \_\_\_\_\_. As \_\_\_\_\_ mushroom gets bigger, \_\_\_\_\_ cap \_\_\_\_\_ away \_\_\_\_\_ the stalk.

Fold C -----  
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# Yeast



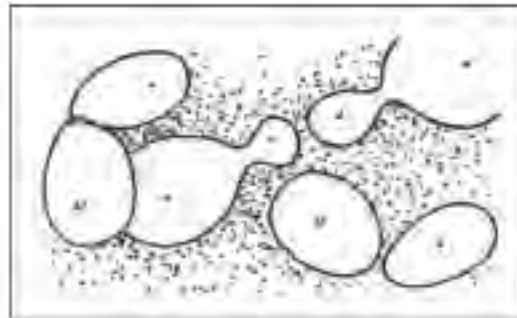
First language	Word	Definition
	noun	the smallest part of a living thing
	noun	a new growth
	verb	move upwards
	noun	a mixture of flour and water before it is baked
	noun	a colourless liquid with a strong taste
	verb	change from a liquid into a gas
	verb	to cook in an oven
	noun	a slight amount of heat
	noun	tiny drops of water
	noun	a gas, $CO_2$



## Yeast

**What is yeast?**

Yeast is one of the single-celled fungi. It does not grow threads. Each cell will produce a small bud that will grow to form another cell. Yeast is used to make bread rise.

**How yeast makes bread rise.**

Yeast is used to make bread. It is mixed with flour, salt, sugar and water. Yeast causes the dough to rise. Bread made without yeast is flat.

Yeast changes sugars in the dough into carbon dioxide and alcohol. The bubbles of carbon dioxide make the dough rise. They make the dough soft and light. The alcohol evaporates during baking.

**How yeast affects sugar.**

sugar makes carbon dioxide + alcohol



Yeast is mixed with flour, water, sugar and salt.



The dough is placed in a warm place. It rises.



The dough is kneaded and then put in a baking tin. It rises again before it is baked in an oven.

## Yeast

### Why yeast grows.

1 Yeast is a fungus. It needs warmth, moisture and food to grow. When yeast is mixed  
 2 with flour, it feeds on the flour and produces carbon dioxide. The gas makes  
 3 bubbles inside the dough. The dough expands because of the bubbles. It becomes  
 4 twice the size. The dough is allowed to rise before it is placed in the hot oven. The  
 5 dough rises even more in the hot oven. It stops rising when the heat kills the yeast  
 6 at 45° C.

- **Synonyms:** Find words in the text that have the same meaning or a similar meaning to the words in the list. Each line of the text has a number to help you locate (find) the synonym.

		Line
1.	a little heat	1
2.	a little water	1
3.	is blended	1
4.	eats	2
5.	makes	2
6.	uncooked bread	3
7.	gets bigger	3
8.	put	4
9.	ceases	5
10.	destroys	5

A **synonym** is a word with the same or similar meaning to another word.  
 An **antonym** is a word with the opposite meaning to another word.



## Adverbial phrases - prepositional phrases

Sometimes a verb group will include an adverb or a preposition. These verb groups are called phrasal verbs.

<i>burst open</i>	<i>breaks away</i>
<i>break down</i>	<i>take in</i>
<i>drift away</i>	

□ **Activity** Read the sentences and underline the phrasal verbs.

1. The enzymes break down the food particles.
2. The spores drift away into the air.
3. The sporangia burst open and release the spores.
4. The hyphae take in water and nutrients.
5. The cap breaks away from the stalk.

Prepositions are usually single words. Sometimes they can be multiple words or phrases (eg on top of). This is a list of some common prepositions. There are many more.

in on over under to with before from off past through

A prepositional phrase begins with a preposition.

□ **Activity** Underline the prepositional phrases

1. Some microbes float in the air.
2. Some microbes float in water.
3. Some fungi can only be seen with a microscope.
4. Fungi absorb food through their hyphae.
5. They grow on top of their food supply.
6. The cap is on top of the stalk.
7. The gills are inside the cap.
8. The mushroom pushes through the soil.
9. The cap breaks away from the stalk.
10. Yeast changes sugars in the dough.
11. Carbon dioxide makes bubbles inside the dough.
12. The bread is placed in the hot oven.

Fungi

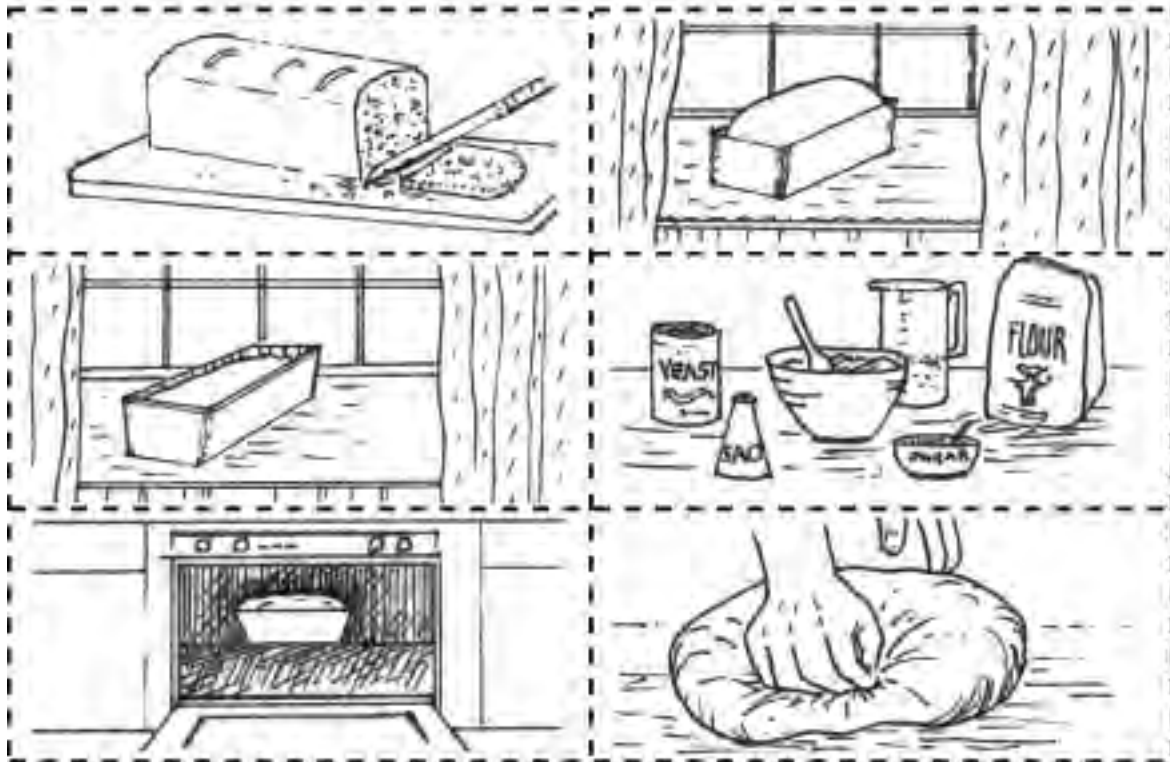
**How bread is made.**

**Picture**

**Text**

<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>

## How bread is made.



**Allow** the dough to rise until it is twice the size.

**Let** the bread cool and cut a slice!

**Place** the bread tin in a warm place.

**Knead** the dough to make it soft and light.

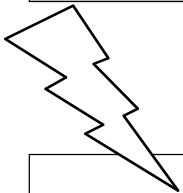
**Bake** in a hot oven.

**Blend** the flour, salt, sugar and yeast.

# Mould



First language	Word	Definition
	<b>threads</b> noun	
	<b>tangled</b> verb	
	<b>secrete</b> verb	
	<b>moist</b> adjective	
	<b>ripe</b> adjective	



**Word focus**

These **threads** are **tangled** together.

Some trees and plants **secrete** sap.

Hyphae **secrete** enzymes.

When fruit is **ripe**, it falls off the tree.

This sporangia is **ripe**. It bursts open.

Bread and fruit are **moist**. They contain water.

### Moulds

Moulds are fungi. They are much smaller than mushrooms. They are made up of many fine threads called hyphae. Moulds can be seen when many threads are tangled together. This network of threads is called the mycelium. The threads secrete enzymes that break down the food and absorb nutrients from it.

Mould spores are everywhere but they need to land on the right food before they can grow. Moulds grow best on moist food such as bread and soft, ripe fruit. Different types of spores grow different moulds. For instance, bread mould can only grow on bread. It will not grow on an apple.

- Read the text and circle the correct end of each sentence. Write each sentence in the boxes below.

1. Moulds <u>are</u> 1) small mushrooms. 2) large fungi. 3) smaller than mushrooms.	5. Mould spores <u>grow</u> 1) on moist food. 2) everywhere. 3) on fungi.
2. Hyphae <u>are</u> 1) small mushrooms. 2) large fungi. 3) tiny threads.	6. Mould <u>grows</u> 1) on eggs. 2) in milk. 3) on apples.
3. Mycelium <u>are</u> 1) invisible. 2) tiny mushrooms. 3) tangled threads.	7. Bread mould <u>grows</u> 1) on bananas. 2) on apples. 3) on sandwiches.
4. The threads <u>absorb</u> 1) nutrients. 2) enzymes. 3) mould.	8. <i>Secrete</i> means 1) to produce a liquid. 2) absorb liquid. 3) to grow.

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2	6	
3	7	
4	8	



**Moulds are smaller than mushrooms.**

**Moulds grow on moist fruit and bread.**

**The threads secrete enzymes.**

**The threads absorb nutrients from the food.**

**Moulds grow best on moist food.**

**Different types of spores grow different moulds.**

**Some moulds are blue and some are yellow.**

**Verb phrases**

Sometimes a verb phrase consists of more than one word. It can take more than one word to express the meaning of the verb.

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- Underline the verb phrases in the following texts

**Fungi**

Fungi do not have roots, leaves, flowers or seeds. They do not make their own food like plant do. Fungi absorb and use nutrients from their surroundings. Some fungi are very large. Some are very tiny and can only be seen with a microscope.

**Why yeast grows.**

Yeast is a fungus. It needs warmth, moisture and food to grow. When yeast is mixed with flour, it feeds on the flour and produces carbon dioxide. The gas makes bubbles inside the dough. The dough expands because of the bubbles. It becomes twice the size. The dough is allowed to rise before it is placed in the oven. The dough rises even more in the hot oven. It stops rising when the heat kills the yeast at 45 Celsius.



## Key word assessment

## Microbes

- Choose a word from the box to complete each sentence.
- There is one extra word in the box.

groups    survive    animals    necessary    microscope    people

1. Sheep and cows are \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The word \_\_\_\_\_ means to stay alive.
3. Some bacteria are \_\_\_\_\_ for people and animals to stay alive.
4. There are three main \_\_\_\_\_ of microbes.
5. Some types of microbes cause disease in plants, animals and \_\_\_\_\_.

harmless    water    diseases    microscope    tiny    soil

1. We look at microbes through a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Microbes are very \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Microbes live in air, water and \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Some microbes are \_\_\_\_\_. Some can cause disease.
5. Medicine can help prevent people from getting \_\_\_\_\_.

water    air    float    magnify    microbes    harmful

1. If we drink dirty \_\_\_\_\_ we can get a disease.
2. Some microbes are \_\_\_\_\_. They will cause disease.
3. We use a microscope to \_\_\_\_\_ very small things so we can see them.
4. Microbes \_\_\_\_\_ in the air.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ are very tiny living things.

surroundings    absorb    particle    enzymes    drift    ripe

1. The word \_\_\_\_\_ means a very small piece of something.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ are chemical substances in living things.
3. When sporangia are \_\_\_\_\_ they burst open.
4. The spores \_\_\_\_\_ in the air.
5. Fungi like moist \_\_\_\_\_. Fruit and bread are moist.

surface      reproduce      scale      cultivate      the wild      absorb

1. Some mushrooms grow in \_\_\_\_\_. People find them and pick them.
2. People \_\_\_\_\_ mushrooms. They grow them for food.
3. Mushrooms \_\_\_\_\_ from spores.
4. Some people cultivate mushrooms on a large \_\_\_\_\_. They sell them to shops.
5. Fungi \_\_\_\_\_ food through their hyphae. (threads)

dried      fresh      web      surface      evaporate      warmth

1. Spores grow on the \_\_\_\_\_ of a mushroom gill. Bacteria live on the surface of our skin.
2. A mycelium is a tangled \_\_\_\_\_ of tiny threads. Spiders weave their webs carefully.
3. Yeast needs food, moisture and \_\_\_\_\_ to grow.
4. We soak \_\_\_\_\_ mushrooms in water to make them soft. Then we cook them.
5. We can slice \_\_\_\_\_ mushrooms and put them in a salad or a stir-fry.

cell      rises      bake      bud      carbon dioxide      evaporates

1. The new growth on a yeast cell is called a \_\_\_\_\_. It breaks away to make a new cell.
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ is the smallest part of a living thing.
3. When yeast feeds on sugar it produces \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The alcohol \_\_\_\_\_ in the hot oven. It turns into a gas.
5. When yeast is mixed with dough and put in a warm place, it \_\_\_\_\_. The bubbles made by the carbon dioxide cause the dough to rise.





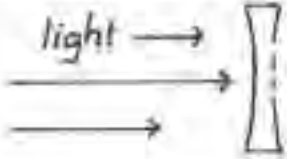







alcohol      moisture      bake      warmth      dough      threads

1. Yeast needs \_\_\_\_\_, moisture and food to grow.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is kneaded to make it soft and light.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ evaporates during baking.
4. We \_\_\_\_\_ bread in an oven.
5. Bread and fruit contain \_\_\_\_\_. They are moist. Mould grows on moist food.

mould    mouldy    secrete    threads    tangled    mushrooms

1. We do not eat \_\_\_\_\_ fruit and bread.
2. Mould is made up of many tiny \_\_\_\_\_ called hyphae.
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ threads of a fungi are called a mycelium.
4. Hyphae \_\_\_\_\_ enzymes that soften food.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ are delicious to eat.

□ Match each word with a picture.

bubbles    bacteria    viruses    bread mould    a baker    threads  
 a lens    a mirror    mouldy fruit    medicine    a slide    a loaf of bread

Cheese is a food. It is made from fermented milk. Write a description of cheese and a scientific explanation of how cheese becomes blue. Use the texts on yeast as a model.

TEXT A. Write a description of cheese. The heading is **What is cheese?**

- Use the words and phrases from the box to help you write your text.
- You will need to add more words to make sentences.
- Make sure you use capital letters and full stops.

What is cheese?

food	cows, goats or sheep's milk	thousands of years	
	many parts of the world	ingredients	
milk	rennet	a starter culture of bacteria	salt
	white mould	blue mould	

TEXT B. Write a scientific explanation of **How cheese becomes blue.**

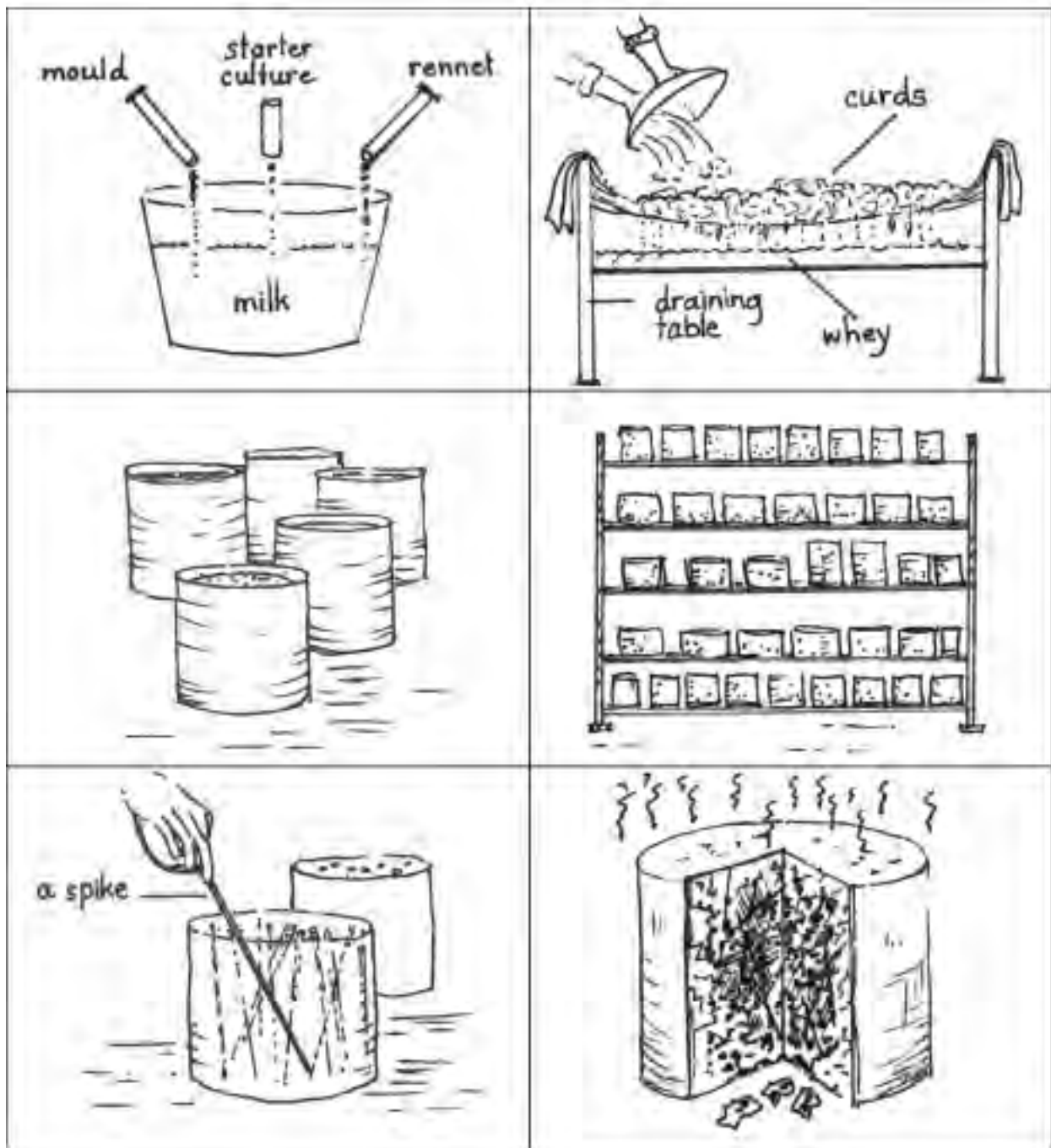
- Use the illustrations to help you write the text.
- Make sure you use capital letters and full stops.
- Write simple and compound sentences.

**When you have finished writing both texts ~**

- Write an *S* at the beginning of each simple sentence. Write a *C* for each compound sentence.
- Underline the verb phrases.
- Put a circle around the prepositional phrases.
- Write a *T* above the technical words.
- Check that you have used correct punctuation and spelling.

# How cheese becomes blue.

## ACTIVITY 30



### What is cheese?

Cheese is *fermented* milk. It is made from cows', goats' or sheep's milk. It has been made for thousands of years in many parts of the world. The main ingredients in cheese are milk, *rennet*, *starter cultures* of bacteria and salt. White mould is grown on the outside of cheese. Blue mould is grown inside cheese.

### How cheese becomes 'blue'.

First, blue mould, rennet and a starter culture are added to warm milk. Then the milk turns into *curds*. The *whey* is removed from the curds. The curds are put into containers and then salted. Then the cheese is put into a storeroom to mature.

After a week, the cheese-makers put holes in the cheese with a stainless steel spike. The holes allow air to circulate through the cheese so that the mould will spread. The mould begins to grow along the holes and after two weeks threads of mould can be seen growing through the cheese. The cheese is now called 'blue cheese'.

### Key terms

fermentation noun	a chemical reaction that changes the milk into a solid
rennet noun	a liquid that contains enzymes from a calf's stomach.
a starter culture noun	a liquid containing acid-forming bacteria that turns milk sour
curds noun	the solids that form when milk ferments
whey noun	the watery substance that separates from the curds when cheese is made.
to mature verb	to develop the flavour

# Bingo

## ACTIVITY 30

List 1	List 2	List 3	List 4	List 5
microbes float air water soil microscope harmful harmless disease necessary people animals	fungi absorb nutrients surroundings large tiny microscope microscopic particles spores ripe burst	web important fresh dried cultivated reproduce surface countries farms light threads soil	cell bread dough flat changes carbon dioxide bubbles rise soft evaporates warmth moisture	smaller tangled fruit apple enzymes ripe moist food different everywhere soft right

These websites have additional information and task sheets.

<http://www.microbeworld.org/html/aboutmicro/microbes/resources.htm>

- a very comprehensive website, with lots of graphics

<http://www.microbeworld.org/html/aboutmicro/microbes/uses.htm>

- a link on the microbeworld website with very good review information on microbes in everyday products

<http://users.telenet.be/educypedia/education/biology-virusinfo.htm>

- an excellent website that has information at different levels (elementary to advanced) and very useful models and graphics of microbes in action: it also has suggestions for practical experiments with microbes.

It is also linked to Educypedia, which has links to many resources on maths, physics and many other areas of the curriculum.

<http://www.umsl.edu/~microbes/links.html>

This website is a portal to many other microbes sites, with articles, images and activities on microbes

<http://www.agresearch.co.nz/scied/search/sitemap.htm>

- a New Zealand website (AgResearch) with clear information on different types of microbes and a link to a series of pages on yoghurt - properties and experiments- and other links to the New Zealand curriculum



## Microbes

Microbes are found everywhere. Some float in the air and some live in water and soil. Microbes are very tiny so we must use a microscope to see them.

There are thousands of different types of microbes. Some microbes are harmful and cause disease but most of them are harmless. Some microbes are very necessary and people and animals could not survive without them.

There are three main groups of microbes. They are fungi, bacteria and viruses.

OHT

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OHT

# Fungi

How many syllables in each word?

One syllable	Two syllables	Three syllables
do not	fungi	

### How fungi feed.

Fungi feed by absorbing their food through their hyphae. They grow on top of their food supply. The hyphae grow down through the food source. Enzymes break down the food so that it can be absorbed by the hyphae.

### How fungi reproduce.

Fungi grow from spores. They are tiny microscopic particles. Each spore can grow into a new fungus if it lands on a suitable food source.

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OHT

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Mushrooms are a type of fungus. Both fresh and dried mushrooms are an important food. They grow in the wild but in many countries they are cultivated on a large scale. They are grown on mushroom farms. Often, they are grown in places where there is no light. Unlike plants, mushrooms do not need light to grow.

*What is another word that means the same as dried? It starts with the letter 'd' and has four syllables.*

How a mushroom grows from a spore.

A mushroom spore grows on a gill inside a mushroom cap. When a spore is ripe, it falls. If a spore falls onto damp soil, it begins to grow hyphae (threads). When two hyphae meet, a mushroom begins to grow. As the mushroom grows, it pushes through the soil. As the mushroom gets bigger, the cap breaks away from the stalk.

## What is yeast?

Yeast is a single-celled fungus. It does not grow threads. Each cell will produce a small bud that will grow to form another cell. Yeast is used to make bread rise.

## How yeast makes bread rise.

Yeast is mixed with flour, salt, sugar and water. Yeast causes the dough to rise. Bread is flat, tough and chewy without yeast.

Yeast changes sugars in the dough into carbon dioxide and alcohol. The bubbles of carbon dioxide make the dough rise. It makes the dough light and fluffy. The alcohol evaporates during baking.

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## Moulds

Moulds are fungi. They are much smaller than mushrooms. They are made up of many fine threads called hyphae. Moulds can be seen when many threads are tangled together. This network of threads is called the mycelium. The threads secrete enzymes that break down the food and absorb nutrients from it.

Mould spores are everywhere but they need to land on the right food before they can grow. Moulds grow best on moist food such as bread and soft, ripe fruit. Different types of spores grow different moulds. For instance, bread mould can only grow on bread. It will not grow on an apple.