

Plants are living things and grow almost everywhere – from the bottom of the sea to the highest mountain. What plants grow near you?

Most plants make food using sunlight. They also need water to survive, just like us!

Plants usually have three parts to them: roots, a stem and leaves. The roots take up water from the ground and the leaves take in sunlight and air around them for food. Some plants also have flowers or fruit.



to grow – расти	a stem – стебель
everywhere – везде	a root – корень
bottom – дно	to survive – выжить

**1 Read the definitions and write the words.**

- 1 I often have bright colours but my job is to make seeds.
- 2 I carry water and minerals from the roots to the leaves.
- 3 I catch sunlight to make food.
- 4 I taste delicious but my job is to protect the seeds.
- 5 I take water and minerals from the soil.
- 6 One day, a new plant will grow from me.

\_\_\_\_\_ flower \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**2 Match the words in Activity 1 with the pictures.**

a 

b 

c 

d 

e 

f   1

# Carnivorous plants

Like most other plants, carnivorous plants need sun, air and water to make their own food. But they also get extra nutrients by eating small animals! Here are two examples:

## The Venus flytrap



Venus flytraps grow naturally in the USA but are used as house

plants all over the world. They use their leaves to catch insects, like flies. The leaves close when an insect touches the tiny hairs that grow on them. The plant can then slowly eat the insect.

## The Sundew plant

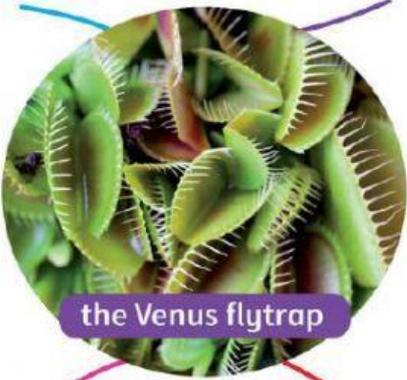


Sundew plants are found in the Indian rainforests. They can

grow in soil that is underwater. Their leaves have sticky hairs and when an insect lands on the leaves, the sticky hairs trap them. Large sundew plants can trap and eat spiders.

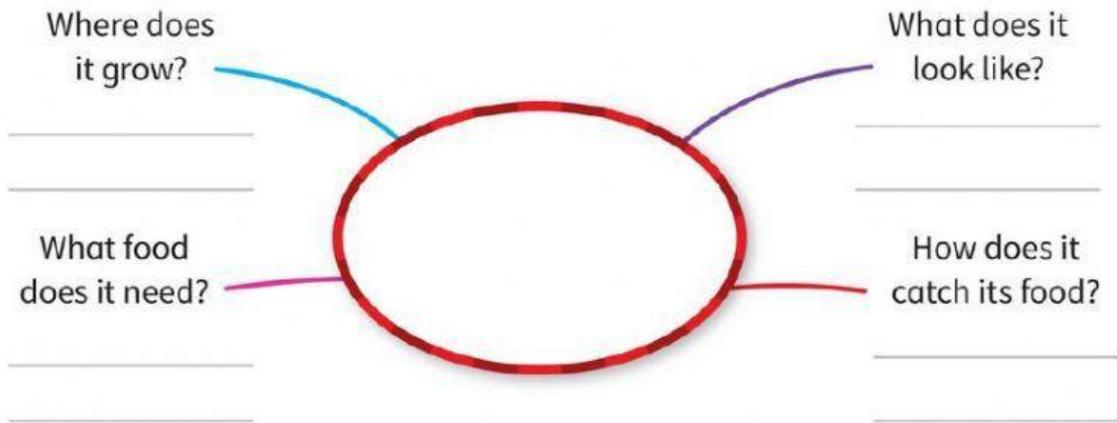
carnivorous plants – хищные растения	to trap – ловить (в ловушки)
extra – дополнительный	fly – муха
nutrient – питательное вещество	rainforest – тропический лес
soil – почва	sticky – липкий

### 4 Complete the mind maps with the information.

Where does it grow? <u>In the USA</u>	What does it look like?	Where does it grow?	What does it look like?
			
the Venus flytrap		the Sundew plant	
What food does it need?	How does it catch its food?	What food does it need?	How does it catch its food?
_____	_____	_____	_____

Придумай свое собственное хищное растение и заполни о нем информацию.

**5 Complete the mind map about a carnivorous plant or another type of plant in your country. Draw a picture of the plant.**



**6 Use your notes in Activity 5 to write about your plant.**

The \_\_\_\_\_ plant grows in \_\_\_\_\_. It's got \_\_\_\_\_ . It needs \_\_\_\_\_ to make food.  
It catches/makes its food by \_\_\_\_\_ .