

A Find and circle.

stem
root
seed
oxygen
size
underground



B Read and write.

The Corn Plant

People eat corn in many countries. They also feed corn to animals, like cows and chickens. The corn plant has many parts.

Stem

The corn plant has a strong stem that helps the plant to stand up. Most corn plants grow from one to three meters tall.

Leaves

The corn plant usually has twenty or more leaves. The leaves make food for the plant.

Skills Tip

Use headings to find information.

Roots

The roots of the corn plant can grow about two meters long underground. The roots take in food and water for the plant.

Seeds

Each corn plant makes one or two ears. The ears have hundreds of seeds, which grow and become new plants. There can be eight hundred seeds on one ear.



1. How many leaves does the corn plant have?
2. How long can the roots of a corn plant grow?
3. How many seeds can there be on one ear of corn?

C Circle.

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| 1. People feed corn to cows and chickens. | True | False |
| 2. The roots of the corn plant grow underground. | True | False |
| 3. The leaves help the plant to stand up. | True | False |
| 4. Each corn plant has one or two seeds. | True | False |

D Write.

stem leaves roots seeds



1. Which parts of the plant are these? What do they do?
Those are the leaves. They make food for the plant.
2. Which parts of the plant are these? What do they do?

3. Which part of the plant is this? What does it do?

4. Which parts of the plant are these? What do they do?

E Think and write.

People grow corn on six continents. The corn plant grows best in warm places. Which continent do you think corn does not grow on?

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