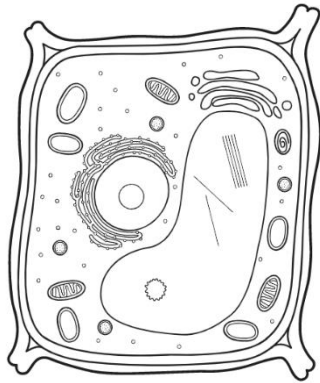


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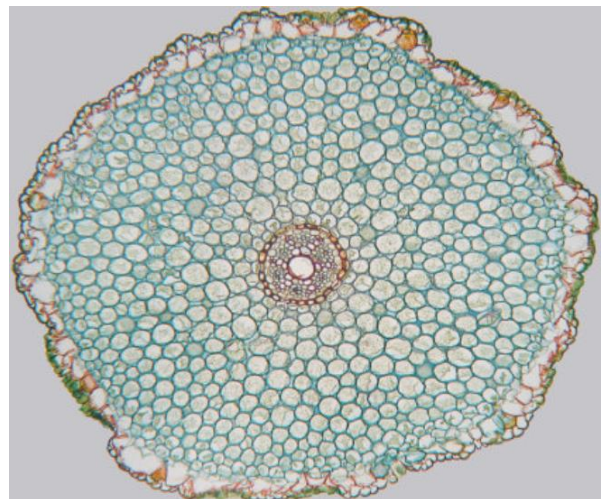
- **Embryogenesis**– fertilized ovule develops into a seed containing a plant embryo
 - Plant cells don't migrate during development, like animal cells do
- **Germination**– process by which a plant forms from a seed
- **Vegetative development**– process that develops roots, leaves, and stems (nonreproductive parts of the plant)
- **Reproductive development**– process that develops reproductive parts of the plant

EXAMPLE:



- **Apical-basal axis**– from roots to shoots of the plant, and stem to tip of leaves
 - **Apical**– toward the tip of the shoots, or leaf
 - **Basal**– toward the ends of the roots, or stem of a leaf
- **Radial axis**– from the center of the stem/root outward

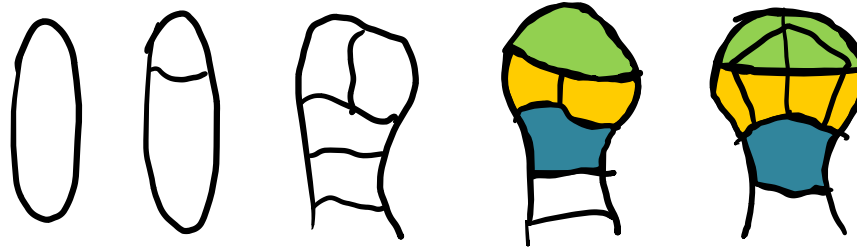
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- Following fertilization, the zygote undergoes asymmetric cell divisions
- Apical cell forms plant, dividing along the apical-basal, and radial axes
- Basal cell forms suspensor, which contributes to supportive structures to the embryo (like placenta in mammals)
 - Only one cell in the suspensor contributes to the plant embryo

EXAMPLE:



- **Cotyledons** – embryonic leaves
- **Hypocotyl** – embryonic stem
- **Shoot** – cotyledons and hypocotyl, the photosynthetic and reproductive parts of the plant
- **Root** – underground portion of plant that forms from radicle

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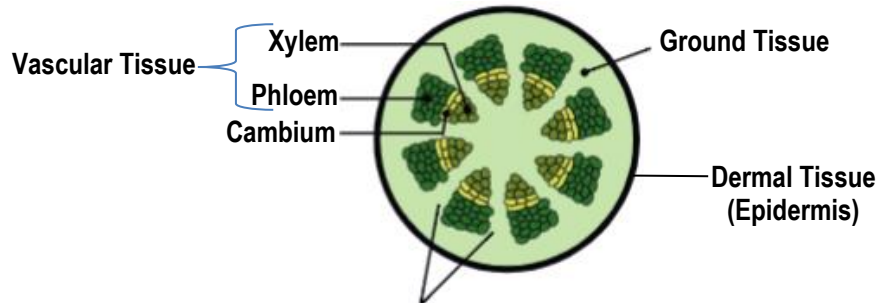


- Meristem – groups of plant stem cells that can produce daughter cells and differentiate into adult tissues and structures
 - **Shoot apical meristem** (SAM) – gives rise to organs like flowers and leaves
 - **Root apical meristem** (RAM) – gives rise to roots
 - Meristems provide lifelong growth in plants at the roots and shoots

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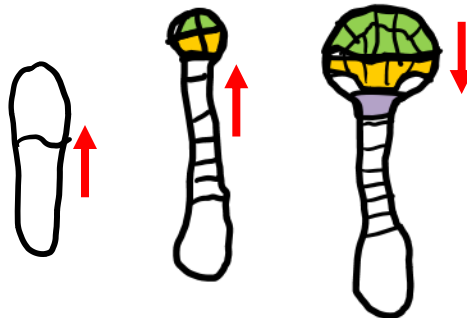
- Embryonic tissues form along the radial axis during development.
 - *Epidermis* – outer covering of specialized cells that protect the organism
 - *Ground tissue* – cells that differentiate into specialized cells (like photosynthetic cells)
 - *Vascular tissue* – cells that will differentiate into specialized transport cells for food and water

EXAMPLE:



- Plant embryo development, like animals', is governed by chemical signals leading to differential expression
 - Auxin is a common morphogen that provides positional information

EXAMPLE:



- Unlike animal cells, some plant cells can dedifferentiate to become different types of cells

EXAMPLE:

