

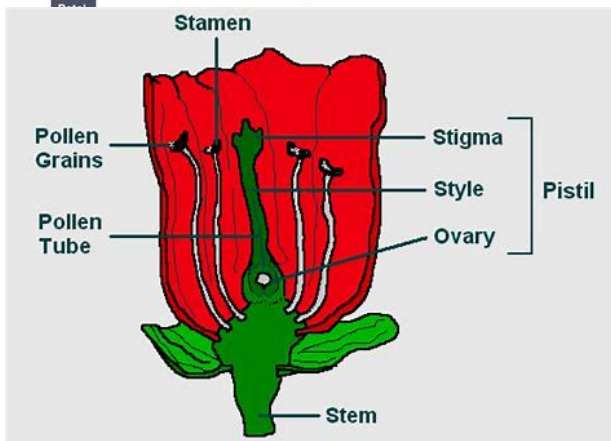


About Pollinators

Did you know that about 75% of all plants need pollinators? That means that much of the food we get from plants also relies on pollinators. Foods like apples, almonds, pumpkins, or even chocolate (from the cocoa bean) are all products of pollination.

What is pollination?

Pollination is movement of pollen within flowers, or from one flower to another of the same species, that allows for fertilization and the production of seeds and fruits. When animals such as birds, bees, butterflies or other bugs visit a flower to drink nectar, pollen dust from the stamen clings to their legs and bodies and is carried with the animal as it visits other flowers, depositing the pollen it has picked up along the way. When pollen contacts a flower's pistil, it travels down to the base of the flower to produce a seed or fruit.



Sources:
National
Environmental
Education
Foundation
Pollinator
Partnership
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About Pollinators ACTIVITIES

See how many
pollinators you
can find living
in your garden.



Count the number
you find.



Ladybug _____



Bee _____



Butterfly _____



Ant _____



Worm _____



Hummingbird _____