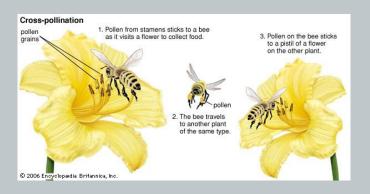
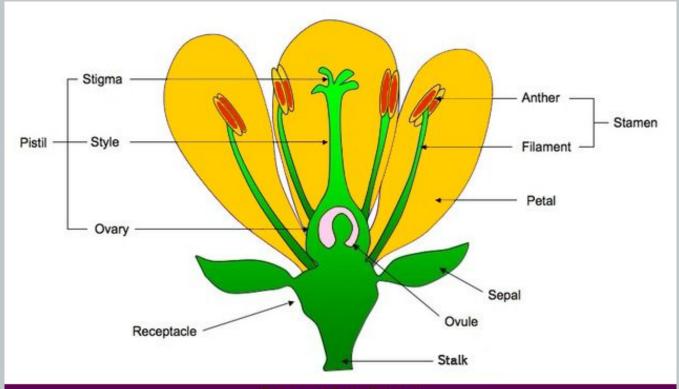
# Pollinating Orchards

#### pollination

# Transfer of pollen from the stamen to the pistil



#### Parts of a flower



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#### From flower to fruit



The overy then grows bigger until it becomes a fruit.



seeds develop inside the fruit, fruit grows bigger

ovary begins to

petals drop off

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# **Self Pollinating vs Cross Pollinating**

<u>Self Pollinating</u>- Pollen from the SAME or variety plant arrives on stigma.

<u>Cross Pollinating</u>- Pollen from a DIFFERENT plant or variety arrives on stigma.

Most fruit trees need Cross Pollination.

# What happens?

What happens when fruit that needs to be cross pollinated is not? Or pollinated from pollen from the same tree or same variety?

No fruit;(



## Fruits that SELF pollinate

- Peaches
- Nectarines
- Many citrus
- Sour cherries
- Strawberries
- Grapes
- pecan





#### Fruits that need to cross pollinate

- Apples
- Pears
- Plums
- Sweet cherries
- Apricots
- Blackberries
- Almonds
- pistachio





### How to ensure cross pollination

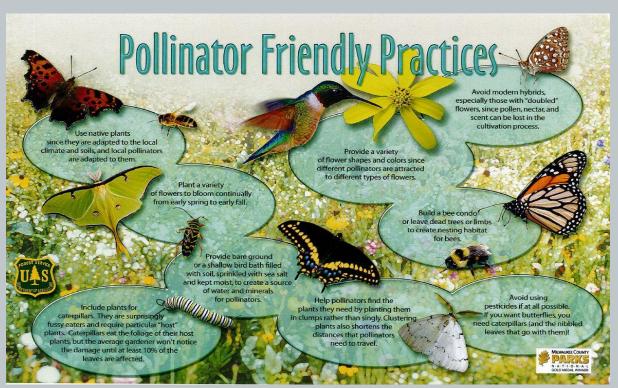
- Plants lots of variety close to each other
- Hand pollinate



- L) List 2 culprits of bee death
- 2) Environmentalists blame bee deaths on\_\_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Honey bee pollination adds how many billions of dollars to US crop value?
- 4) The use of weed killers is reducing what?
- 5) Why is it important to have plant diversity on our farms?

#### Who does this? - Pollinators

- Bees
- Wasps
- Beetles
- Hummingbirds/birds
- Butterflies
- Bats
- mice
- Also wind



#### Bees

- The most important pollinator
- Honey bees contribute over \$15 billion to the value of U.S. crop production.
- Many of the country's crops would not exist without the honey bee at bloom time.
- Honey bees enable the production of at least 90 commercially grown crops in North America. (fruits, nuts, vegetables)
- Pollinators contribute more than <u>24 billion dollars</u> to the United States economy, of which honey bees account for more than <u>15 billion dollars</u> through their vital role in keeping fruits, nuts, and vegetables in our diets.

#### Threats to our pollinators

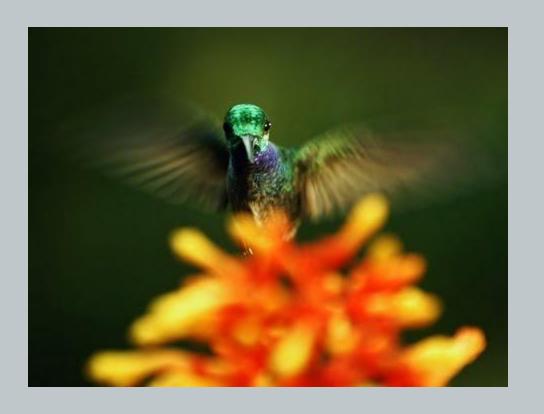
Habitat loss-resource extraction, urban development, agricultural

Disease- parasites, mites, viruses

Pesticides- from major crops

Pollution-air pollution

Climate change-much of this effect is unknown



#### **Pollination lab**