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Credits: Four

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Demonstrate understanding of biological ideas relating to the life cycle of flowering plants.	Demonstrate in-depth understanding of biological ideas relating to the life cycle of flowering plants.	Demonstrate comprehensive understanding of biological ideas relating to the life cycle of flowering plants.

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QUESTION ONE: REPRODUCTION

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In your answer you should:

QUESTION TWO: GERMINATION AND GROWTHASSESSOR'S
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- (a) For a seed to germinate, it needs certain environmental conditions to be present.

Describe the environmental conditions a seed needs, and explain why these are important for germination.

- (b) Once the seed has germinated, primary and secondary growth occur.

Discuss the role each plays in the growth of the young plant.

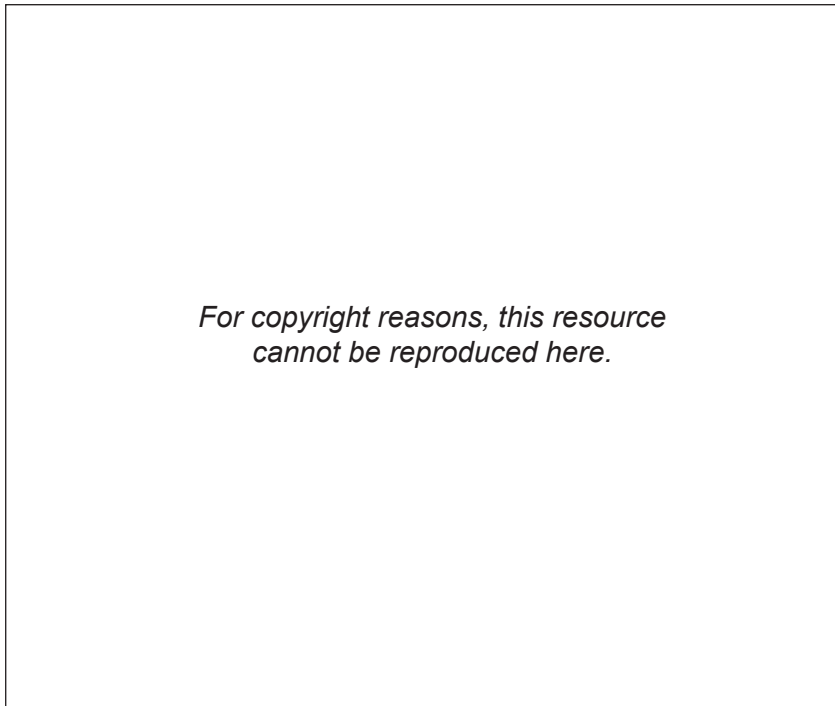
In your answer you should:

- describe primary and secondary growth
- explain how both types of growth are important to the overall development of the plant.

QUESTION THREE: PHOTOSYNTHESIS

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The diagram below shows the structure of the leaf of a typical plant.



Martin Hanson and Maria Sinclair, *NCEA Level 1 Biology & Human Biology* (Auckland, ESA Publications, 2008), p 244.

Discuss how the structures in the leaf optimise the rate of photosynthesis.

In your answer you should:

- describe the structures in the leaf and their functions
- explain how each structure you have described is suited to its function
- explain how the structures work together to make photosynthesis efficient.

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