**Reading Questions (Answer Key):**

1. When does a seed form?

A seed forms when an egg is fertilized.

2. What does each seed hold?

Each seed holds an embryo.

3. What does “germinate” mean?

“Germinate” means that the plant begins to grow.

4. What is a life cycle?

A life cycle is all of the stages a living thing goes through, from the beginning of one generation to the next.

5. Put the following statements in order.

\_1\_ A seed swells and cracks open.

\_5\_ A seedling is formed.

\_3\_ Tiny roots begin to grow down into the soil.

\_4\_ Leaves begin to grow.

\_2\_ The embryo is surrounded by food.

\_6\_ The plant grows and develops flowers.

6. What happens during the flowering stage?

During the flowering stage, flowers produce pollen and birds and insects pollinate the flowers.

7. What happens when birds & insects move from flower to flower?

When birds & insects move from flower to flower, they pollinate the flowers.

8. Name 2 ways that seeds can be spread.

1) Spread by wind

2) Dropped from animals’ fur