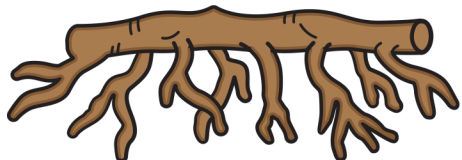


TWO TRUTHS & A LIE: FERNS

Ferns reproduce using spores instead of seeds.



Ferns make flowers to attract bees.

Ferns can bend and grow towards sunlight.

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A fiddlehead is a fern's tightly coiled young leaf.

Fern spores are stored inside sori on the underside of leaflets.

All ferns can only grow in bright, direct sunlight.



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Fern fertilization needs a thin layer of moisture to happen.

Ferns grow from a large seed buried deep in the soil.



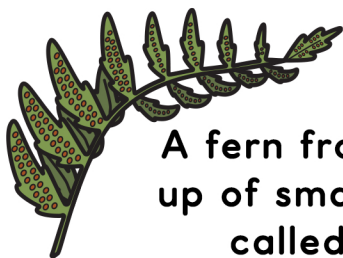
A fern's underground stem is called a rhizome.

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There are almost 12,000 species of ferns in the world.

Ferns are a type of flowering plant.



A fern frond is made up of smaller leaflets called pinnae.

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Ferns cannot survive in shady places.

Some fiddleheads are cooked and eaten as a vegetable.

The stalk that holds up a fern's leaflets is called a stipe.



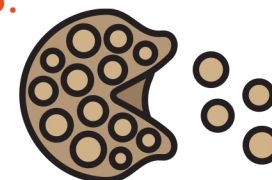
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A fern's life cycle includes a tiny, heart-shaped stage called a prothallus.

Ferns are older than dinosaurs.

Ferns reproduce the exact same way that sunflowers do.



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