Flowers, Fruits and Seeds A. Choose the correct answer: 1. Which adaptation helps cactus plants survive in the desert?

- A) Large, broad leaves
- B) Needle-like leaves to reduce water loss
- C) Producing sweet nectar for animals
- D) Growing in cold, snowy areas
- 2. Why do mangrove trees have aerial roots?
 - A) To store food
 - B) To absorb oxygen from the air
 - C) To climb other trees
 - D) To trap insects for nutrition
- 3. What is the purpose of thick, waxy leaves in desert plants?
 - A) To help them float on water
 - B) To protect them from insects
 - C) To reduce water loss
 - D) To make them look beautiful

B. Fill in the Blanks:

1. Plants growing in water are called	plants.
2. Desert plants store water in their	and
3. The breathing roots of mangrove trees are known as	

C. Case Study:

A group of students visited a botanical garden where they observed different types of plants.

- They saw cactus plants with spines instead of leaves.
- In a swampy area, they noticed trees with roots growing above the ground.
- Near a pond, they found plants with floating leaves and hollow stems.

The students were curious about how these plants survive in their environments.

Case Study Questions:

1. Why do cactus plants have spines instead of leaves?

- 2. What is the function of the aerial roots seen in swampy areas?
- 3. Why do pond plants have hollow stems and floating leaves?
- 4. Based on the observations, how do plants adapt to different environments?

D. Short Answer Questions:

- 1. What are plant adaptations?
- 2. How do desert plants store water?
- 3. Why do some plants have special roots growing above the soil?

E. Long Answer Questions:

- 1. Explain how different plants adapt to survive in deserts, swamps, and aquatic environments.
- 2. How do plants protect themselves from harsh weather conditions?
- 3. Describe the various ways in which plants store water and nutrients for survival.