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Plant Roots: Underground Heroes!

Answers to the Questions

1. The main job of plant roots is to anchor the plant in the soil, absorb water, and collect nutrients.
2. Roots help plants stand strong in the soil by holding them in place, especially during windy or rainy weather.
3. Root hairs are tiny hair-like structures on roots that help the plant absorb more water and nutrients from the soil.
4. Two types of root systems are fibrous roots (found in grasses) and taproots (found in plants like carrots).
5. Some plants store food and water in their roots, like sweet potatoes store energy in their thick storage roots.