

# FRUIT KEY

1. Fruit fleshy.....2

1. Fruit dry.....4

2. Fruit has multiple seeds.....3

2. Fruit has one hard seed in center.....DRUPE

3. Seeds are contained in cartilaginous structures in a core of the fruit.....POME

3. Seeds are not contained in structures, no core.....BERRY

4. Fruit opens easily (i.e. - you can open it by hand), or has sutures (like dents) for opening.....6

4. Fruit does not open easily (i.e. - you need a tool to open it), no sutures.....5

5. The wall of fruit is thin and completely fused to the seed .....CARTOPSIS

5. The wall is thick and not fused to the seed .....NUT

6. Fruit has longitudinal sutures (2 dents or fissures, one along each side).....7

6. Fruit has several sutures for splitting in many directions.....CAPSULE

7. Outer shell is hard but thin, containing one seed .....ACHENE

7. Outer shell leathery, skin-like or woody, containing multiple seeds lined up in a row when opened .....LEGUME