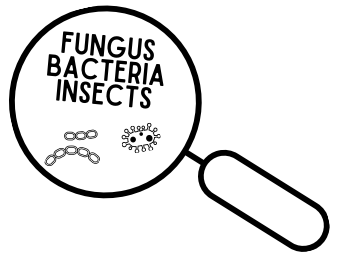
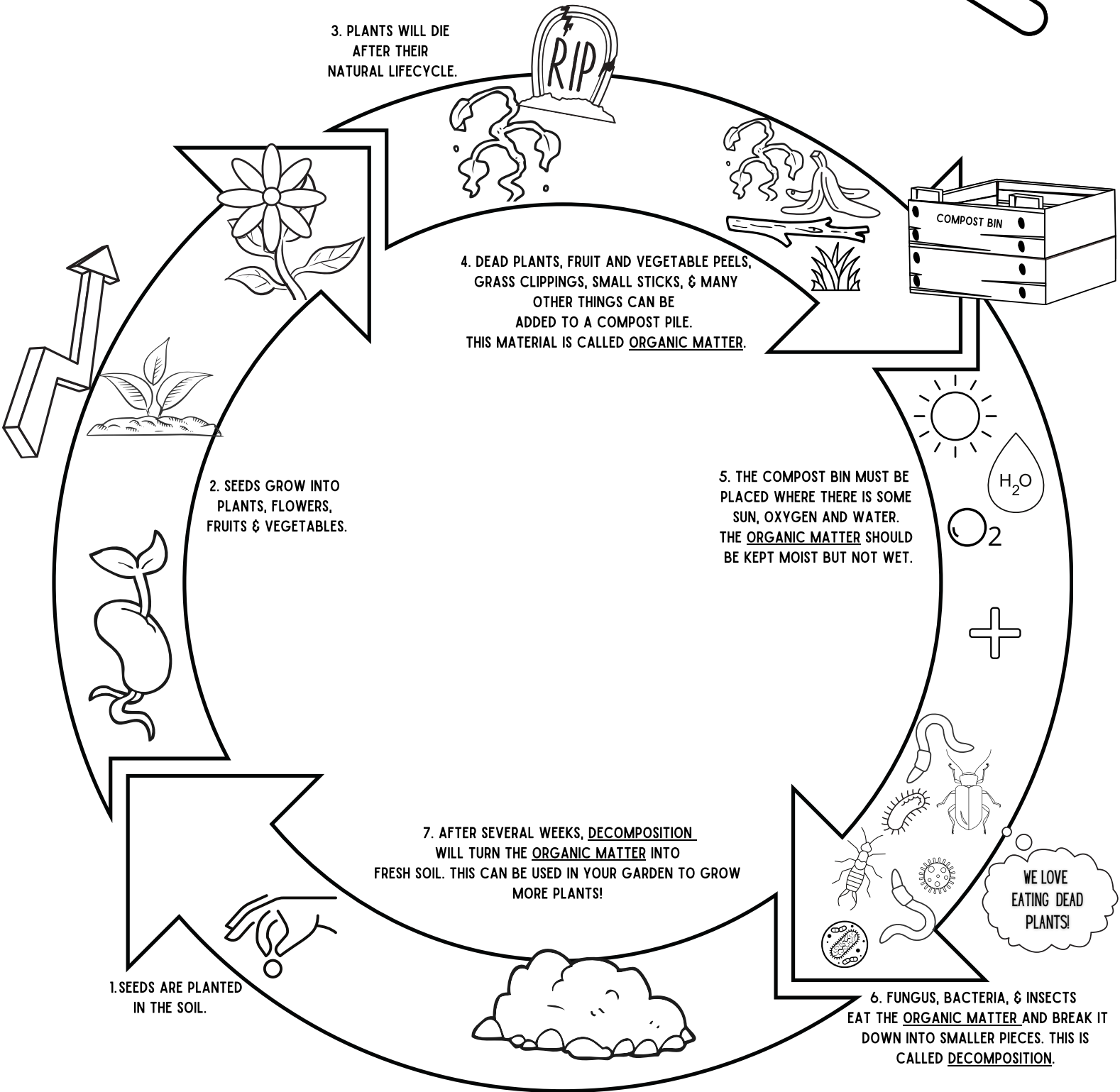


COMPOST F.B.I



Name _____



Organic Matter- Material that comes from nature. For example, plants, fruits, vegetables, and grass.

Decomposition- Also called rotting, occurs when insects, fungus, and microorganisms (things we cannot see, like bacteria!) eat organic matter.

Compost- Organic matter that is used to grow plants. This is also called fertilizer.

Circle the items in each row that can go into the compost bin.

Think About it! Remember, what would worms like to eat that comes from nature?



EGG SHELLS



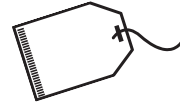
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PLASTIC FORK



TEDDY BEAR



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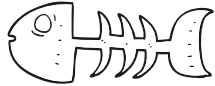
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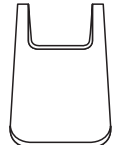
FISH BONES



HOT DOG



YOGURT CUP



PLASTIC BAG



PLASTIC STRAW



APPLE CORE



LEAF



OATMEAL



BROCCOLI



EGG

Compost is made from organic matter. The soil has to be just right for decomposition to happen! Label each type of soil below using the words provided. Then circle which soil would make the best compost for plants to grow.

Think about it! Why are the other soils not the best for compost and growing plants?

SAND DIRT CLAY

