



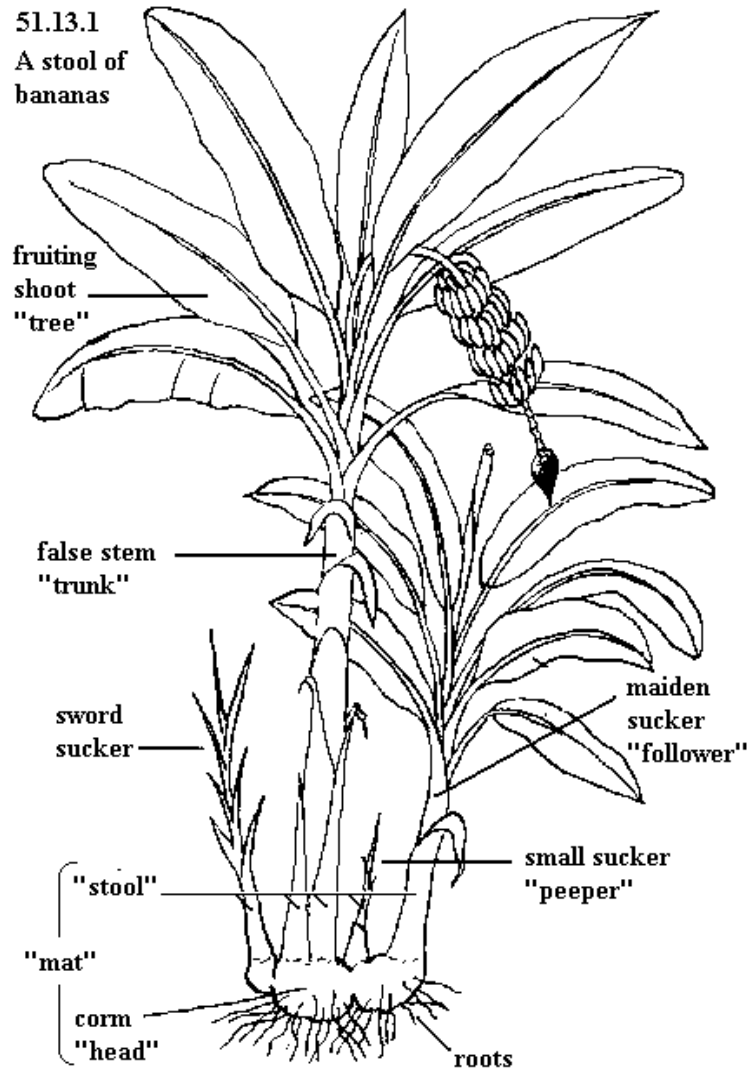
# Florida Banana Culture

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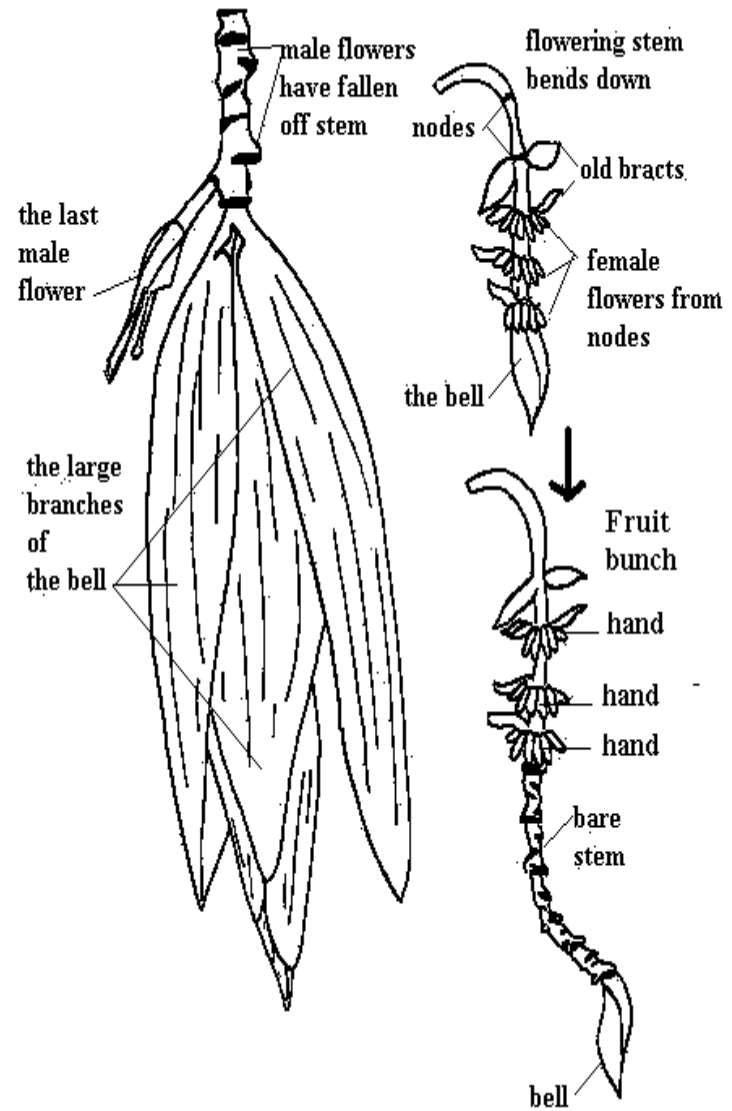
# Banana Plant

51.13.1  
A stool of  
bananas



# Fruiting Parts

51.7.1 Banana inflorescence, "flower"





# Why are bananas seedless?

*Musa acuminata* (Asian Banana) × *Musa balbisiana* (Asian Banana) = *Musa X paradisiaca* (Hybrid Banana)

AA (fertile)                      BB (fertile)                      AAB or ABB (etc.) (sterile)

Origin Of Triploid Banana From Asian Parents

**A** = one haploid set of chromosomes from *M. acuminata*

**B** = one haploid set of chromosomes from *M. balbisiana*

# Original Range



Original native ranges of the ancestors of modern edible bananas. *Musa*

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