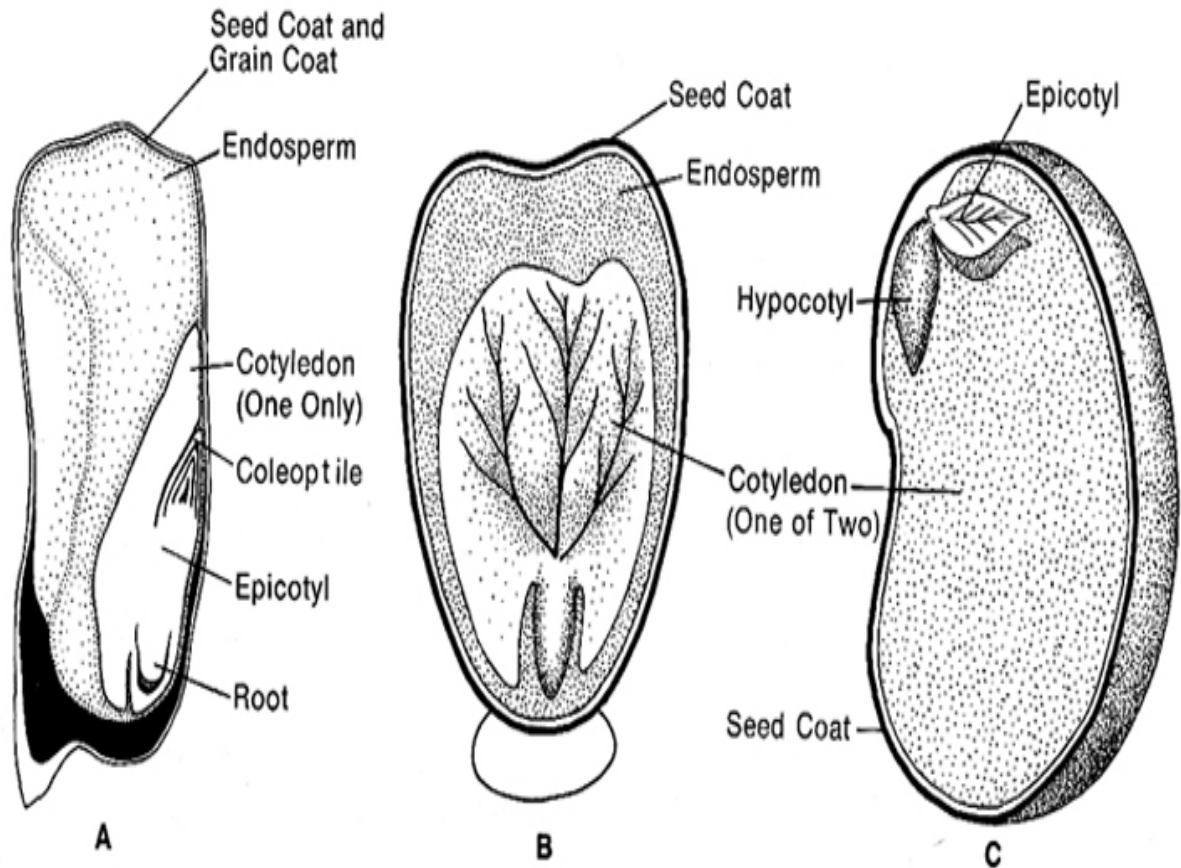


# Seed Structure



**Figure 17-17** The structure of seeds. *A*, Grain of maize, a dry fruit containing a single seed. *B*, Seed of castor bean, a dicot type having persistent endosperm. *C*, Seed of bean, a type that lacks endosperm in the mature seed.