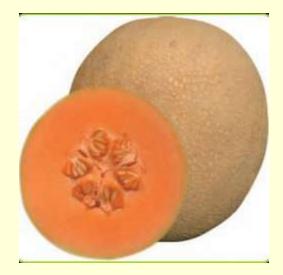


### Fruit

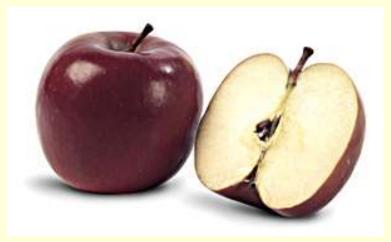
• Defined: part of the plant that holds the seeds

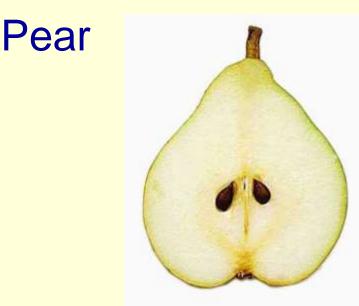




 Smooth skin and an enlarged fleshy area that surrounds the core







### DRUPES

 Contain a single seed, or pit, surrounded by juicy flesh with an edible skin

### Plum Cherry

Peach









 Fragile cell structure; pulpy and juicy; tiny seeds embedded in flesh

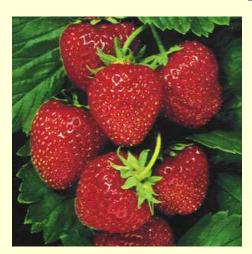
### Cranberry

### Grapes





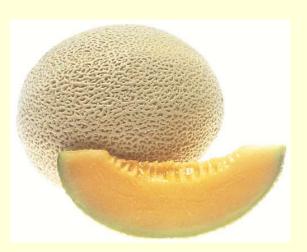
### Strawberry

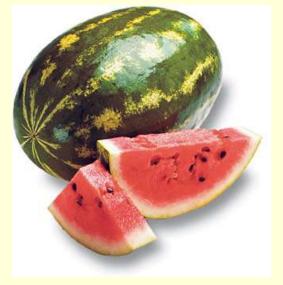




 Hard outer surface that is smooth or netted; juicy flesh

Cantaloupe





Watermelon

#### Honeydew



# **CITRUS FRUITS**

 Grown in warm regions, firm rind and pulpy flesh Lime





#### Clementine



# TROPICAL FRUITS

Grown in very warm climates, differ in skin characteristics and seed characteristics

#### **Pineapples**

Bananas

Figs







#### \*See Next Slide





# **ADDITIONAL INFO**

Q -What is the difference between mature, ripe fruit, and under-ripe fruit?

### A - Mature fruit

- Have reached their full size and color
- Not always ripe when harvested
- Best for use in future

### <u>Ripe fruit</u>

- Are tender and have a pleasant aroma
- Have fully developed flavor
- Ready to eat NOW!!

### <u>Under-ripe fruit</u>

- Has been picked, but not ready to eat yet

### **ANSWERS TO YOUR FRUIT QUESTIONS!**

### **Q - Why does some fruit turn brown when cut?**

A- The flesh of some fruit becomes discolored when exposed to air because of <u>ENZYMATIC</u> <u>BROWNING</u>

#### Q - How can I stop it?

A -Coat the fruit with some form of ascorbic acid (Vitamin C) For example: lemon juice/pineapple juice/bought

## EXTRA FRUIT INFO

- **Q** –**Fresh** vs others?
- A Fresh and frozen are most nutritious

### --Canned and dried are less nutritious

• When shopping for canned try to keep the fruits packed in water.

#### **Q—Microwaving?**

- A—Yes you can microwave ③
  - The only way on cooking that is not recommended is boiling. Why?

## EXTRA FRUIT INFO

Shopping

- Consider:
  - Denseness
  - Aroma
  - Shape
  - Color