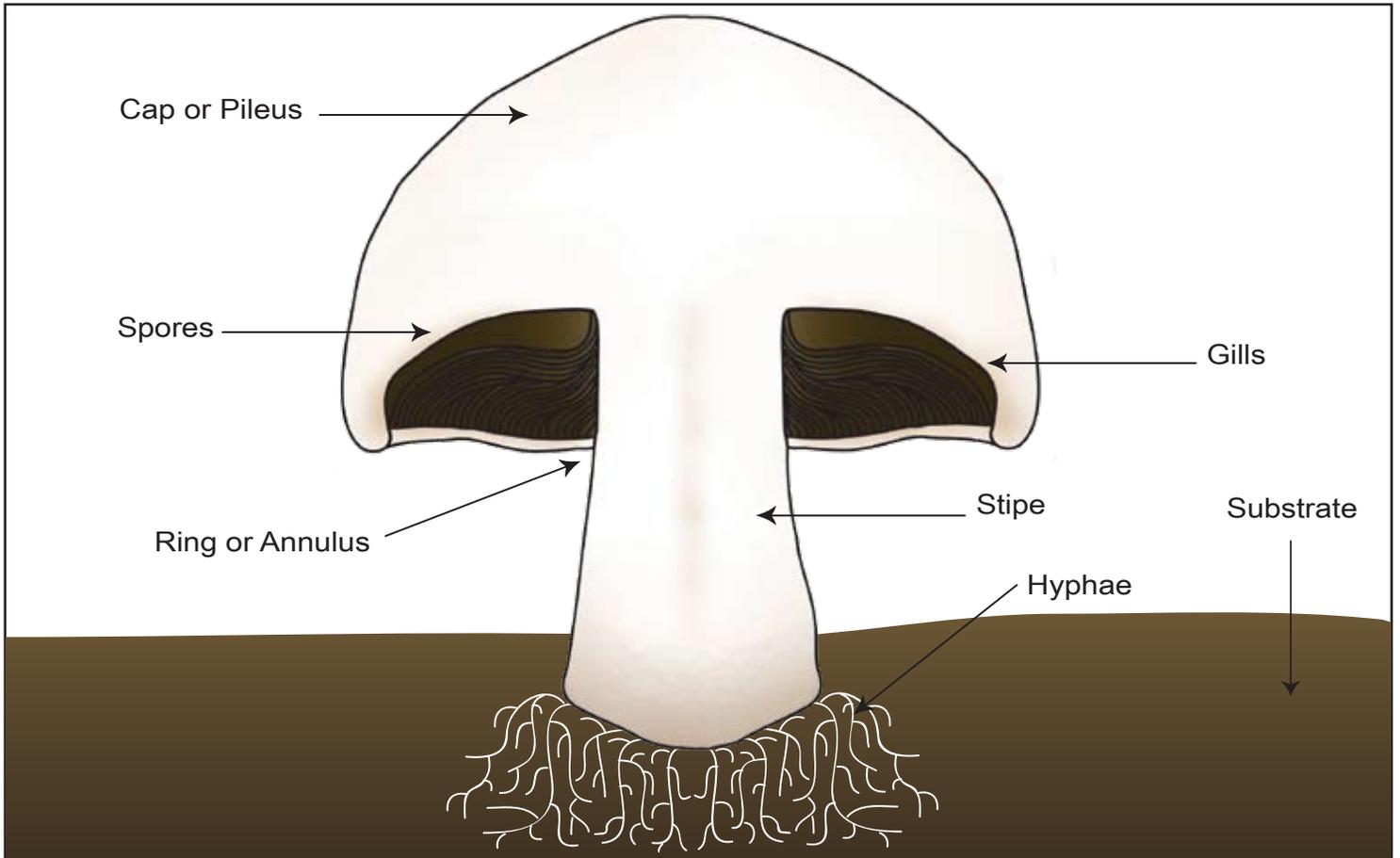




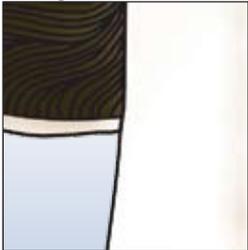
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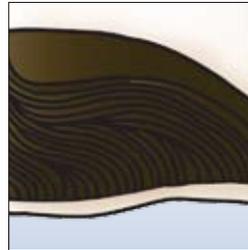


Ring or Annulus



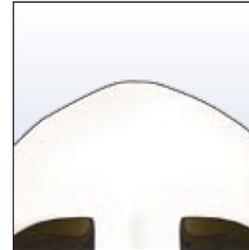
Every true mushroom has a ring or annulus. The annulus represents the remaining part of the partial veil.

Gills



Gills, or lamellas, are the ribs under the cap of an agaric mushroom. The gills are where mushroom spores grow

Cap or Pileus



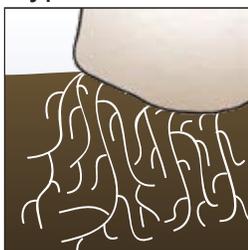
The expanded, upper part of the mushroom; whose surface is the pileus. The cap houses the gills.

Stipe



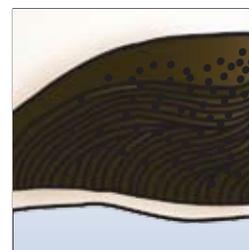
Stipe refers to the stem or stalk-like feature that supports the cap of the mushroom.

Hyphae



The underground structure of the mushroom. This is not the mushrooms roots, but a complex arrangement equivalent to roots. Takes nutrients from the substrate.

Spores



A spore is a mushrooms equivalent to a seed. Each mushroom can produce over one hundred million spores.