

Dayflower



Photo courtesy of Dr. Scott Payne, NE Missouri Regional Agronomy Specialist.



Flowering plants. Key characteristics: foliage resembles grass leaves due to their parallel veins and lack of petioles. The plant is actually a monocot that resembles a dicot.



Flower.



Where the leaf joins the stem, a sheath is formed that resembles an ocrea which is found on members of the smartweed family.

Life cycle: dependent upon species: *C. communis*, *C. caroliniana*, and *C. diffusa* - summer annual; *C. virginica* and *C. erecta* - perennial.