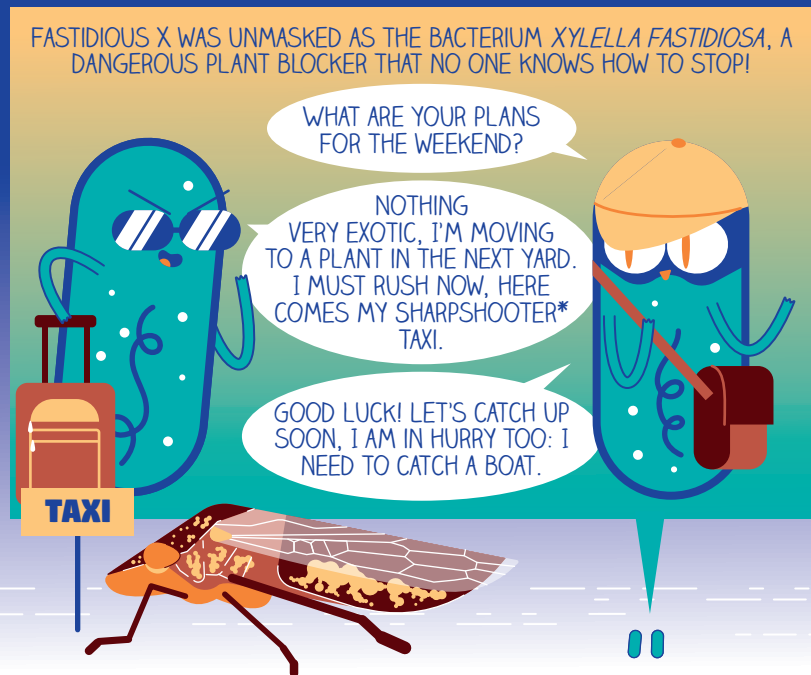
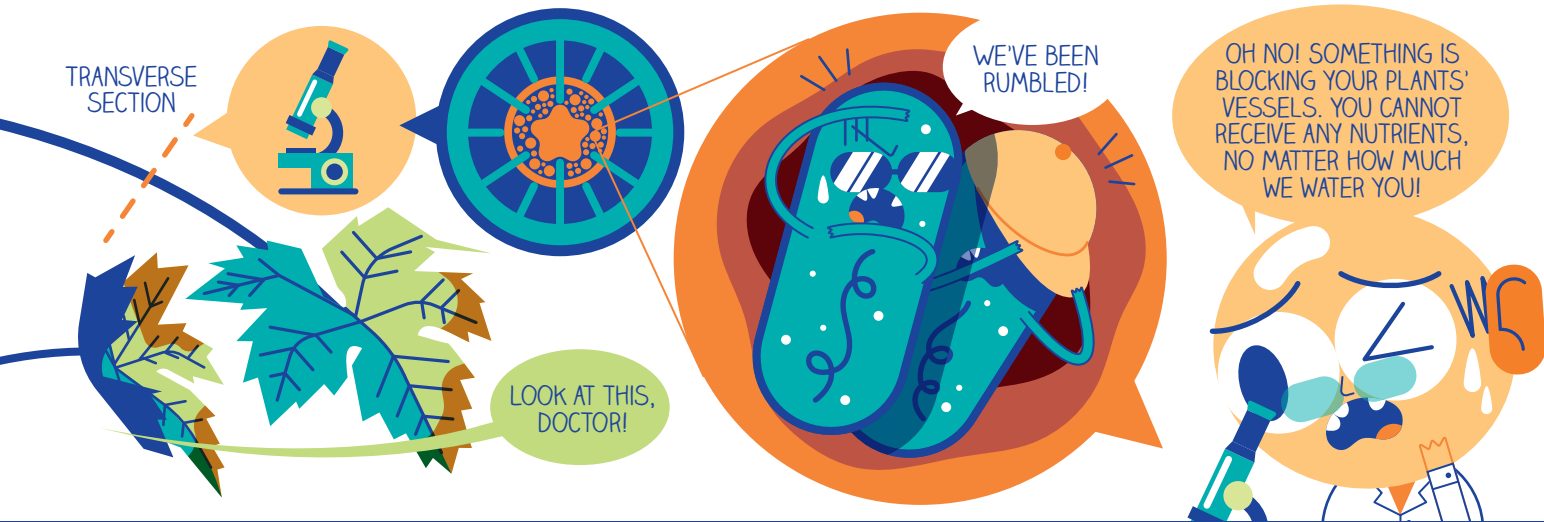
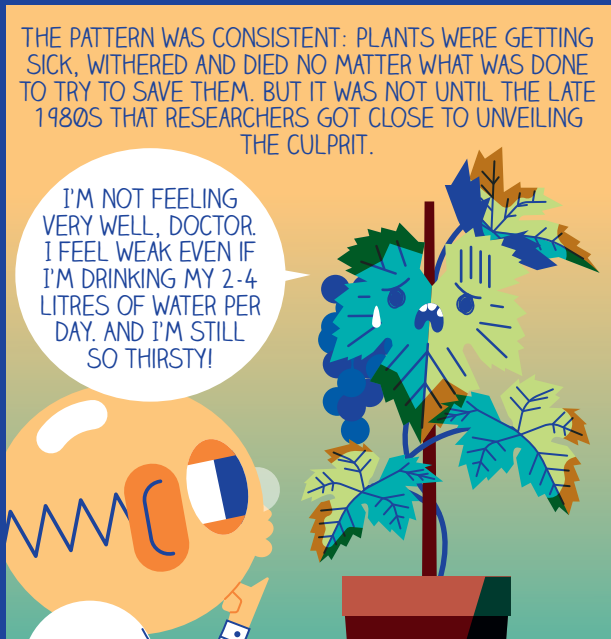


WHO IS FASTIDIOUS X, THE FEARSOME KILLER?



WHILE THE WORLD WAS HEADING TOWARDS THE 20TH CENTURY, SCIENCE ADVANCING AND THE WORLD OPENING UP, IN AMERICA SOMETHING STRANGE WAS HAPPENING: SOME PLANTS WERE INEXPLICABLY DYING. WHY?



* IN NATURAL CONDITIONS, *XYLELLA FASTIDIOSA* IS TRANSMITTED BY INSECT VECTORS. THE XYLEM-FEEDING INSECT SHARPSHOOTER IS ONE OF THE MOST COMMON VECTORS IN THE AMERICAS.