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Grow a Bean in a Cup

Circle group

You can grow a bean. Get a clear cup. Put a wet paper towel in it. Slide a bean in.

Put the cup by a sunny window. Add a little water each day.

Look at the bean. A root and a shoot will grow!

Questions

1. What kind of cup do you get?

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2. What goes in the cup?

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3. Where do you put the cup?

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4. What do you add each day?

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5. Why is a clear cup good?

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Words to know

clear: easy to see through
bean: a seed that people can plant or eat
window: a glass opening in a wall
wet: covered with water

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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Grow a Bean in a Cup

Triangle group

You can grow a bean in a cup. Here is how.

Get a clear cup. Put a wet paper towel inside. Slide a bean between the cup and the paper towel.

Put the cup by a sunny window. Add a little water each day. Look at the bean every day. Soon you will see a root and a shoot!

Questions

1. What kind of cup do you get?

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2. What goes inside the cup?

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3. Where do you put the cup?

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4. What do you add each day?

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5. Why is a clear cup a good choice?

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Square group

You can watch a bean grow right in your own kitchen. Here is how to do it.

Find a clear cup and put a damp paper towel inside it. Then slide a bean down between the cup and the paper towel, so that you can see it through the side.

Set the cup near a sunny window, and add a small splash of water every day. Check on the bean often. Before long, you will spot a root and a shoot!

Questions

1. What kind of cup should you find?

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2. What goes inside the cup before the bean?

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3. Where should you set the cup?

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4. What do you add every day?

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5. Why does the bean go between the cup and the paper towel?

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For the teacher: Grow a Bean in a Cup

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: Grow a Bean in a Cup

Easier · 44 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0

1. A clear cup.
2. A wet paper towel.
3. By a sunny window.
4. A little water.
5. You can see the bean grow.

Triangle: Grow a Bean in a Cup

This passage · 59 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.2

1. A clear cup.
2. A wet paper towel.
3. By a sunny window.
4. A little water.
5. You can see the root and shoot grow.

Square: Grow a Bean in a Cup

Harder · 81 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 2.8

1. A clear cup.
2. A damp paper towel.
3. Near a sunny window.
4. A small splash of water.
5. So you can see it grow through the side.