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# The Carrot Is a Root

Circle group

A carrot has green leaves. The leaves are on top. The orange part is under the dirt.

The orange part is a root. A root drinks water. It holds the plant still.

I pull up the carrot. I wash it. Crunch!

## Questions

**1. What color are the leaves?**

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**2. Where is the orange part?**

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**3. What does a root drink?**

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**4. What do I do to the carrot before I eat it?**

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**5. Why do I wash the carrot?**

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## Words to know

carrot: an orange food that grows under the ground
root: the part of a plant that grows in the soil
leaves: the flat green parts of a plant

## 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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# The Carrot Is a Root

Triangle group

A carrot has green leaves on top. The leaves are up in the air, but the orange part is under the dirt.

The orange part is a root. A root drinks water from the soil, and it holds the plant in place.

We pull up the carrot. We wash it well. Crunch! I eat a root.

## Questions

**1. What color are the leaves of a carrot?**

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**2. Where is the orange part?**

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**3. What does a root drink from the soil?**

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**4. What do we do before we eat the carrot?**

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**5. Why do we wash a carrot that came from the dirt?**

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## Words to know

carrot: an orange food that grows under the ground
root: the part of a plant that grows in the soil
soil: the dirt where plants grow
leaves: the flat green parts of a plant

## 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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# The Carrot Is a Root

Square group

A carrot has green leaves on top, and they stay up in the air. The orange part grows under the dirt.

The orange part is a root. A root drinks water from the soil, and it also holds the whole plant in place.

We pull up the carrot and wash it well. Crunch! I am eating a root.

## Questions

**1. What color are the leaves on top of a carrot?**

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**2. Where does the orange part of a carrot grow?**

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**3. What does a root drink from the soil?**

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**4. What do we do to the carrot before we eat it?**

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**5. Why is it a good idea to wash a carrot that came out of the dirt?**

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## Words to know

carrot: an orange food that grows under the ground
root: the part of a plant that grows in the soil
soil: the dirt where plants grow
leaves: the flat green parts of a plant

## Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
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# For the teacher: The Carrot Is a Root

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

### Circle: The Carrot Is a Root

Easier · 41 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.3

1. Green.
2. Under the dirt.
3. Water.
4. I wash it.
5. It has dirt on it.

### Triangle: The Carrot Is a Root

This passage · 56 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.2

1. Green.
2. Under the dirt.
3. Water.
4. We wash it.
5. The dirt is on it, so we clean it off.

### Square: The Carrot Is a Root

Harder · 58 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.3

1. Green.
2. Under the dirt.
3. Water.
4. We wash it well.
5. Dirt is stuck on it, so washing cleans it off.