

ACTIVITY SHEET

To celebrate National Children's Gardening Week, we've created a bunch of fun activities that will get you excited about getting busy in the garden - and learn a few things along the way.

WHERE DOES OUR FOOD COME FROM?

Do you know your tree-growers from your ground-sprouters? Match the food to its source.



THE GREAT GARDEN WORDSEARCH

We've hidden 15 gardening terms in the puzzle below. Can you find them all?

- POLLINATION
- ORGANIC
- COMPOST
- FERTILISE
- SOWING
- DIGGING
- PETAL
- PLANTING
- HARVEST
- WHEELBARROW
- GREENHOUSE
- SEEDS
- WEEDING
- FLOWER
- SEASONAL

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TO BEE OR NOT TO BEE?

Bees are one of the most important critters in our gardens. Test your buzzy knowledge by answering these statements true or false.



GUESS WHAT?
You can attract bees by planting wildflowers. They love honeysuckle, and even weeds like dandelions.

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| | TRUE | FALSE |
| 1. Honeybees love dancing, their favourite move is the Waggle Dance | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 2. A bee beats its wings approximately 1,000 times every minute | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 3. Bees can't see the colour red | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 4. They're really good at maths | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 5. All bees can sting you | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |



- ANSWERS: WHERE DOES OUR FOOD COME FROM**
- BROCOLLI - PLANT
 - ONION - SOIL
 - PEAR - TREE
 - PUMPKIN - RUNNERS
 - TOMATO - VINES

- ANSWERS: TO BEE OR NOT TO BEE?**
1. **TRUE** The Waggle Dance is how bees communicate to tell their nestmates where to find the best source of food.
 2. **FALSE** It's actually around 11,400 times every minute. That's what makes their buzzing sound.
 3. **TRUE** Bees can't detect this colour, but they can see colours that humans can't, like ultraviolet.
 4. **TRUE** When bees are planning to travel to several flowers in one trip, they work out the shortest route.
 5. **FALSE** Male bees do not sting. Only female bees have a stinger that they use to defend themselves and their nest.

SPOT THE WILDLIFE

Our gardens are playgrounds for lots of little creatures. They make homes in hedges, trees and water. Can you spot all the hidden wildlife in the image?

Tick off each creature when you find it:

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| Owl <input type="checkbox"/> | Frog <input type="checkbox"/> | Spider <input type="checkbox"/> | Ladybird <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Snail <input type="checkbox"/> | Hedgehog <input type="checkbox"/> | Robin <input type="checkbox"/> | Butterfly <input type="checkbox"/> |

GUESS WHAT?
Each hedgehog has 5000-7000 spikes on its back! They're called quills.



RIDDLE ME THIS

Flowers come in all shapes, sizes and scents that bring glamour and critters to our gardens. Solve the riddles to uncover 4 garden blooms.



RIDDLE 1
I'm busy on February 14th
Because of my pretty perfumes
But be careful of the thorns
That hide below my blooms

RIDDLE 2
I stand out in every garden
Thanks to my yellow bling
People think I look like a trumpet
And I signal the start of spring

RIDDLE 3
I put smiles on people's faces
My flower can be as big as a ball
Some people eat my seeds
And I grow very very tall

RIDDLE 4
I start off yellow, then turn white
I'm often visited by bees
Blow my seeds for a wish
As they fly high in the breeze

GUESS WHAT?
Broccoli is actually a flower! The bit we eat is the young plant, if left they turn into tiny yellow flowers.



ANSWERS 1: Rose, 2: Daffodil 3: Sunflower 4: Dandelion

Check out more fun activities online at dobbies.com/little-seedlings