Super Seeds

With Ranger Melanie

Learn about plants and sow tomato seeds.

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WHAT YOU NEED

A tomato, tray of compost, sieve and pots with holes (use something from the recycling bin).

DO

Sieve the seeds from a tomato and wash off the juicy gel. Plant your seeds 1cm deep in a tray of wet compost or soil and put into a clear plastic bag to keep moist. Place somewhere sunny and in 2-3 weeks look for seedlings then remove the bag.

When the seedlings have a few leaves carefully dig them up, without damaging the roots. Plant into individual pots somewhere sunny and water daily. You may need to re-pot and use a stick for support as the plant grows. In the summer look out for yellow flowers and then some tomatoes!

LEARN

1. Name 3 things a plant needs to grow.
2. Put the following in order to make a tomato plant life cycle: seed, fruit, plant, seedling, flower.
3. What makes leaves green?

MAKE

A plant measuring stick. Find a long stick and each week as your plant grows paint a section to show how tall the plant is.

Answers:

1. Sunlight, air and water (and usually some soil),
2. Seed – seedling – plant – flower – fruit.
3. Chlorophyll - a green pigment that uses sunlight to make food for the plants.

MAKE SOMEONE LAUGH

What did the big tomato say to the little tomato?

Ketchup!

ANSWER

What is the scientific name for how a plant makes food from sunlight?

Last week's answer: Most spiders have 8 eyes

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