

## Gardening Tips for Kids



1. Have fun, grow plants that you like - it's your garden.
2. You can grow vegetables or flowers, or both.
3. Your garden will need water, figure out where you are going to get water first. Will you be using a water can, or do you have a garden hose?
4. Your garden can be small - 4 feet long and 4 feet wide. Or it can be large - 10 feet by 10 feet. Or it can be in the shape of a circle, it's up to you.
5. Decide what you want to plant. You can plant seeds, or plants. You can find both at local nurseries, or ask a grown up who has a garden to give you plants.
6. Decide what you want to grow and draw a picture of your garden so you know where to plant things.
7. You must keep a journal of your garden. We will give you a Journal to write down what you do and see in your garden. Make notes as you go along: when did you plant your seeds? When did you water your garden? Did you find a bug? What kind of a bug was it? When did your seeds come up? Did you find a toad, or a frog in your garden?
8. Check your garden every day. If the soil feels dry, maybe you need to water your plants. Water close to the ground, plants drink through their roots. Look for weeds (any plant in your garden you didn't put there) and gently pull them out. You want all the sunlight, water and good food in the soil to go to your plants.
9. Some fun flowers you could grow are sunflowers or nasturtiums. Some vegetables that are fun could be leaf lettuce, radishes, snow peas, cherry tomatoes, bush beans or even potatoes. Grow what you like to eat or look at.

Have fun and Good Luck!

If you need help, ask a grown up, you must do the work yourself though.  
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