Jacobs

Grow a bean in a cup!

Worksheet

Resources

- 1 x dried bean
- 1 x small plate with a little water in it
- 1 roll of kitchen towel
- 1 teaspoon or empty spray bottle
- 1 glass or clear jar

Experiment

- Step 1: Soak your dried bean in the water on the small plate for around an hour
- Step 2: Rinse your glass/jar with water and leave it a little wet
- Step 3: Carefully fold or roll the kitchen towel so that it presses against the side of the glass
- Step 4: Place the bean between the kitchen towel so you can watch it grow
- Step 5: Keep the kitchen towel a little damp by adding water with the teaspoon or spray bottle each day
- Step 6: Keep a record of what happens to your bean as it grows by either taking or drawing pictures each day
- Step 7: When your bean plant is 2-3 weeks old transfer outside into the garden or into a pot with soil. Use a wooden pole to support your plant.

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Prediction

What do you think will grow first?

Think

Were you right with your prediction?
Why has this happened?
Would it make a difference if you placed the jar in dark cupboard? Why?
Would it make a difference if you didn't keep the kitchen towel wet? Why?

Why not find out?