

GardenABCs Hands-On Learning-Garden Activities

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Seed Sorting

Every vegetable grows from its own special seed. We plant many different kinds of seeds in the garden.

Materials Needed

Shallow bowl

Seeds of different shapes, colors and sizes

(Seeds can be from packets purchased at a store -- larger seeds like beans, tomatoes, cucumbers, pumpkins and squash work great! -- or dried beans and lentils from your pantry.)

Directions

Have your adult helper place four or five different kinds of seeds into a shallow bowl.

1. Sort the seeds by shape. How many different shapes do you have?
2. Sort the seeds by color. What is the most common color of seed?
3. Sort the seeds by size. How many large seeds do you have? How many small seeds?
4. What other ways can you sort the seeds?