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PHONICS

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Grow your own radishes

Set 5 Story 9

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Speed sounds

Consonants *Say the pure sounds (do not add 'uh').*

f ff	l ll	m mm	n nn kn	r rr	s ss	v ve	z zz s	sh	th	ng nk		
b bb	c k ck	d dd	g gg	h	j	p pp	qu	t tt	w wh	x	y	ch tch

Vowels *Say the sounds in and out of order.*

at	hen head	in	on	up	day	see happy	high find	blow no
zoo	look	car	for door snore	fair	whirl	shout	boy spoil	

Each box contains one sound but sometimes more than one grapheme. Focus graphemes are circled.

Green words

Read in Fred Talk (pure sounds).

three way high lay batch

know grow own sow bowl

Read in syllables.

rad`ish → radish

fan`tas`tic → fantastic

a`way → away

win`dow → window

na`rrow → narrow

pack`et → packet

sa`lad → salad

shall`ow → shallow

com`post → compost

spa`rrow → sparrow

Read the root word first and then with the ending.

seed → seeds

row → rows

grow → grown

week → weeks

slow → slowly

Red words

their you your want some they
are small of the fall call any fall*

Challenge words

every wash length

**Red word for this story only*

Grow your own radishes

Did you know that you can grow your very own crop of radishes in just three weeks?

You must sow the seeds in the spring. If you want lots of fresh radishes, sow a batch of seeds every three weeks.

Let me show you the best way to grow your own radishes!



You will need:



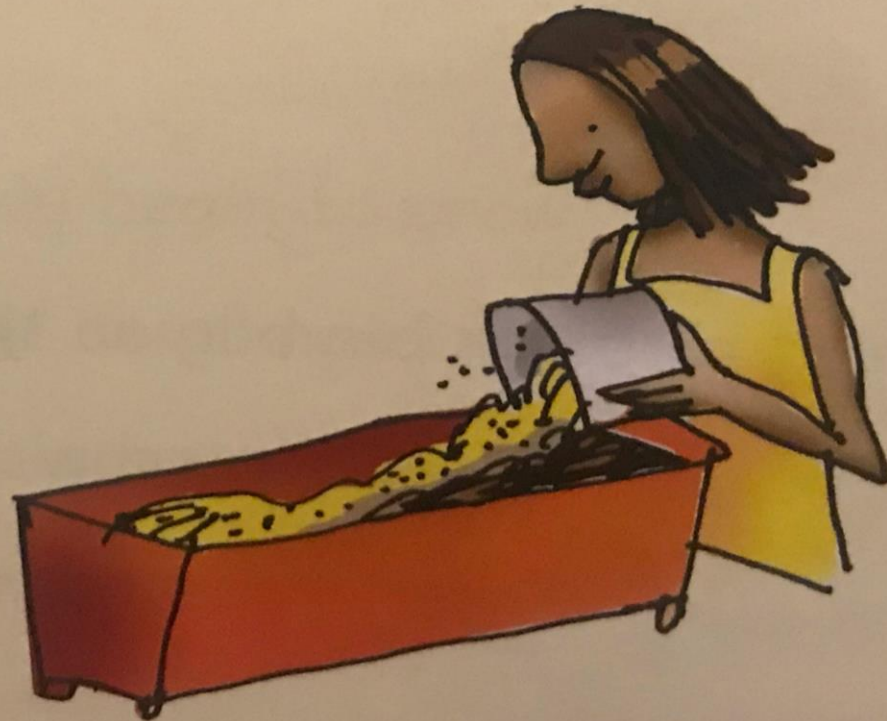
- a packet of radish seeds
- a shallow plant pot or a window box
- a bag of potting compost
- some sand
- a black bin bag

What to do:



1. Fill the plant pot or window box with potting compost.

2. Lay some sand on top of the compost.



3. Sow the seeds in three rows.
The seeds must be just below the level of the compost.



4. Put a sheet of black bin bag on the top.
This will help the seeds to grow,
as well as stopping sparrows from
pecking them up.





5. Ask a grown-up to help you to put the pot or window box outside in a sunny spot on a window sill, away from the wind. (If the window sill is very narrow, the pot may fall off.)

6. The radish plants will slowly begin to grow. (The small plants are called seedlings.) Then you can lift off the bin bag.



7. Keep the compost damp, and pull out any weeds that grow in the pot or window box.

8. Keep checking the radish plants.

When they are 10cm high, radishes will have grown below the compost.



9. (This is the best bit!) Pull up the radishes when they are 2-3cm long.

(You can check their length if you push back a bit of compost.)

10. Mix up a fantastic fresh radish salad!
Wash the radishes well, and put them
in a big bowl.

Then you can add chopped carrots,
leeks, cress, shallots, or nuts.



Questions to read and answer

(Children complete without your help.)

1. You can grow your own radishes in **six weeks / one week / three weeks.**
2. You need to fill the plant pot with **sand / potting compost / bin bags.**
3. The plant pot must be in a **dark spot / a sunny spot / the wind.**
4. Radishes will have grown below the compost when the plants are **25cm high / 5cm high / 10cm high.**
5. You can add the radishes to a **salad / the compost.**

Speed words

Children practise reading the words across the rows, down the columns and in and out of order clearly and quickly.

three	high	fall	stopping	sunny
seeds	window	own	below	slowly
grow	bowl	pull	push	put
they	are	weed	you	your

Wednesday Task- Hold a sentence

- 1) Plant the seeds in a narrow window box and put them in the sun.
- 2) Keep the compost damp and watch the seeds grow.