

Have Fun

Go Places

Make Friends

Join 4-H



Autograph-A-Pumpkin



When pumpkins are about the size of a softball or a little larger, write your name on it! Write the names of other family members as you wish - they'll be very surprised when you give them their very own pumpkin at the end of the growing season!

- Use a ballpoint pen to lightly break the skin as you write your name or initials.
- Watch your name grow larger as the pumpkin grows! The markings callus over (it's like a scar) and become easy to read by the time the pumpkin matures.

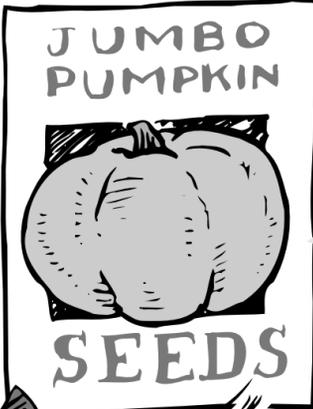
Knowledge To Go

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4-H offers hundreds of different ways to learn and do new things. Here are some activities you can do to learn about gardening. 4-H is the nation's largest youth service organization. It helps young people develop and improve life skills such as self-confidence, leadership, citizenship and communications.

Why should youth join 4-H? Through 4-H, you are exposed to fun and challenges that bring about education in numerous areas. With 4-H, you can: Have fun, make friends and go places! For information on joining Indiana 4-H, please call 1-888-EXT-INFO or visit us at www.four-h.purdue.edu.



Did You Know?

Be a Whiz and Take a Quiz



1. Seeds are really _____ (alive - dead).
2. Bees are a plant's _____ friend (best - worst).
3. Flowers containing both male and female parts are called _____ flowers (complete - incomplete).
4. Stamen flower parts produce a powder called _____ (pollen - honey).
5. The process of seed sprouting is called _____ (germination - pollination).

Answers: alive, best, complete, pollen, germination

Q: Why shouldn't you tell secrets on a farm?

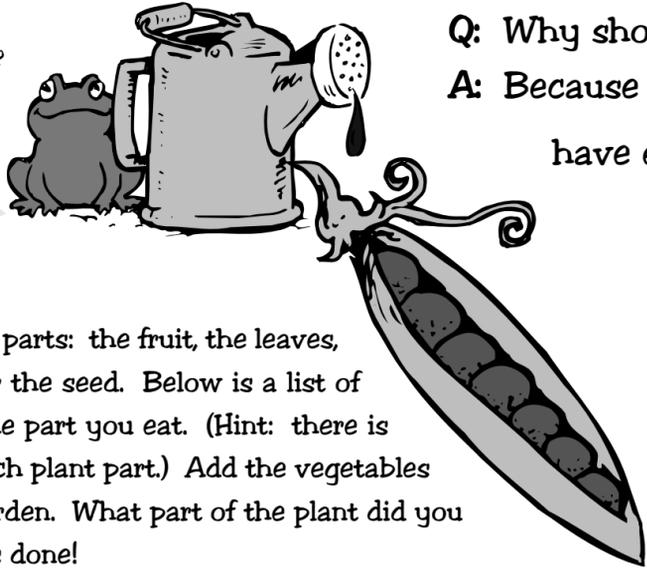
A: Because the corn has ears, the potatoes have eyes and the beanstalk.



Make a Home!

Toads are a gardener's friend! They'll eat insects and caterpillars that may be harmful to your plants. How can you get a toad in your garden? Make a toad house!

Cut a half-circle "doorway" out of the top edge of a cottage cheese container; it should be large enough for a toad to fit through. Turn the container upside down, and place it near the edge of your garden. Right next to this house dig a hole big enough for another container to fit in, right-side up. Fill it with water. Congratulations, you made a swimming pool! Now, watch for a toad.



We eat many plant parts: the fruit, the leaves, the stem, the root or the seed. Below is a list of vegetables. Write the part you eat. (Hint: there is one vegetable for each plant part.) Add the vegetables you grew in your garden. What part of the plant did you eat? The first one is done!

Vegetable	Plant Part I eat	Other vegetables (in my garden)
Carrots	The root	_____
Celery	_____	_____
Peas	_____	_____
Lettuce	_____	_____
Tomato	_____	_____