Plant Seed Experiment

Germination is the process in which seeds start to sprout! However, you usually can't see this process as plants are beginning to grow beneath the soil. Do this activity with your kids to actually see how it happens over time!



What you need:

Large glass jar

Paper towels

Water

Seeds (pea and bean seeds work well)



What to do:

- 1. Fill your glass jar to the top with crumpled paper towels.
- 2. Water the jar with the paper towels. Do not flood or overwater it!
- 3. Push the seeds down in the paper towels. Make sure the seeds are at the edge of the jar and not the middle, so you can see them grow.
- 4. Place the jar in a sunny spot and check on it daily.
- 5. Keep adding enough water so the paper towel doesn't dry out.
- 6. After a few days, the seed should grow larger in size. The first thing you will see is a root growing out of the seed.
- 7. Make observations as the seed grows: How does the seed grow? Which direction does the root grow? How long does it take to see plant leaves sprout?

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