

Gardening Theme



Sensory: Gardening Bin

Supplies needed:

- dirt
- nature treasures (Collected)
- fairies or peg people, gems

Process:

Put all the items into your sensory bin and let your child explore the materials. Adding nature treasures like sticks, rocks, and leaves can make it even more fun.



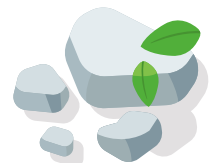
Dirt

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Fairy or peg people

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nature

Nature: Seed Study

Supplies needed:

- seeds and their plant cards

Process:

Print, cut, and laminate the seed and their plant cards below. Play memory with them or try to match the seeds to their plants. This is an great way to build vocabulary for little ones!

Seed & Their Plant Cards



Apple Seeds



Apples



Lima Beans



**Lima Bean
Plant**



**Strawberry
Seeds**



**Strawberry
Plant**

Art: Paint Your Fairy Garden

Supplies needed:

- paint
- peat plant pot or mason jar
- paint brush
- bird house

Process:

Grab your paints and allow your child to decorate their plant pot and bird house to their heart's desire. If you don't have a pot, see if you can find a mason jar and use paint to decorate it. Acrylic will work better on glass as a heads up. Let your items dry and admire our child's masterpiece!



peat pot

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bird house

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paint

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brush

Science: Plant A Fairy Garden

Supplies needed:

- decorated peat pot
- tray or plate
- glue
- gems
- soil
- fairies or peg people
- Bird House



Process:

Talk to your child about how seeds grow. Ask if they want to plant some seeds. Add the soil to the peat pot, plant your lima bean seeds, and don't forget to water it. For added fun, glue your peat pot to your circular tray and create a fairy garden. Add the bird house as well!

Gardening Book List

National Geographic Readers: Seed to Plant Paperback – by Kristin Baird Rattini

Trees, Leaves, Flowers and Seeds: A Visual Encyclopedia of the Plant Kingdom
by DK (Author), Smithsonian Institution

Grow Happy Hardcover – by Jon Lasser PhD (Author), Sage Foster-Lasser (Author), Christopher Lyles (Illustrator)

How a Seed Grows (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science 1) Paperback by Helene J. Jordan (Author), Loretta Krupinski (Illustrator)

The Tiny Seed (The World of Eric Carle) by Eric Carle (Author, Illustrator)

