

Fallen Timbers Backyard Activities

Plant Life Cycle!

Watch our Plant Life Cycle Video to review the steps in a plant's life with us. Here are a few at-home activities to help you explore different parts of a plant's life cycle.

Seed Scavenger Hunt

Explore outside and see how many of the following types of seeds you can find!

Coneflower or other dried flower head seeds	Pinecone	Berry or Fruit Seeds
Milk-weed Pod with Seeds	"Velcro" Seeds	Maple Helicopter Seeds
New Green Plants	Buds on trees	Nut Seeds

Seed Germination:

Materials Needed: Ziplock bag, damp paper towel, pea or dry bean seed.

Put a few seeds in your ziplock bag with the damp paper towel. Tape the bag to the window, or put it near a window. Observe it each day. Record your daily observations! How many days did it take to germinate, or sprout?

Observations:

Day I	Day 2	Day 3
Day 4	Day 5	Day G



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Dissect Your Fruit

Dissect means to cut apart to look at the parts inside. With help and permission from a grown-up, gather a few fruits you have at home and take a closer look inside to see how their seeds are similar and different.

Materials: plate or cutting board, knife, fruit/veggies.

Suggested Fruits - apple, pear, peach, plum, cucumber, bell pepper, pea pod, berries.

Name of Fruit	# of seeds	Shape of seeds (draw)

How are the seeds protected?
Name 3 kinds of seeds that people eat?
What is the seed's job?
Name 3 ways that seeds are transported in nature: