



Gardening Virtual Activities Guide

Relevant Projects

- **Let's Landscape**
- **Green Thumbs Project**
- **A Greener House Project**
- **Let's Get Growing Project**
- **Gardening Project**



Digital Resources

Kid's Gardening - Resources & Activities

<https://kidsgardening.org>

Big Green at Home - Virtual Activities

<https://www.biggreenathome.org/eduweekly>

Green Our Planet - Virtual Academy - Videos & Activities

<https://greenourplanet.org/virtual-academy/>

Gardening in Canada - YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/c/NorthernPlanterFortheLoveofPlants/videos>

Royal Botanical Gardens - Virtual Visit

<https://www.rbg.ca/things-to-do/rbg-at-home/>

PlantID - Plant Identification App

<https://plant.id>

Achievement Day Idea

Time-lapse Challenge

Challenge members to track the life of a plant from seed over the course of your club project. Ask members to take photos, record changes and track the progress of growth. For the achievement day have members present their visuals and information about their plants growth.

Speaker Ideas

- Local Horticultural Club Member
- Gardener
- Nursery Owner
- Organization with Community Garden
- Soil & Crop Rep
- Florist

Activity #1 Container Gardening

Have members create container gardens at home. Get creative on what recycled materials found around the house that can be a vessel for a mini garden. Talk about locations in the home that are best to set up their container gardens and what plants may be best to grow indoors. Below are seven container gardens to start at home:

<https://www.thespruce.com/container-garden-projects-kids-will-love-847955>

Activity #2 Flower Dissection

In this activity, members will observe the parts of a flower and learn how each part is involved in helping a plant continue its growth for another generation. Have members pick a flower and dissect it together, identifying and labelling the parts on a blank piece of paper as they remove parts. Activity Instructions and diagram:

<https://www.scienceworld.ca/resource/flower-dissection/>

Here is a great video of a flower dissection: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T8tmVMyzu18>

Activity #3 Creative Plant Potting Challenge

Challenge members to get creative and resourceful and find items around their homes that could be repurposed as plant pots. Ensure members are looking for items that will retain water and have space for their plants roots to grow. Have members pot their plants in their creative pots and submit photos of their creations.

Here are some examples:

- an old pair of boots
 - a container from your recycling bin
 - unused dishes
 - old toys
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Activity #4 Become a Garden Designer

Have members design and plan their gardens for the year. Have them consider layout, what areas get the most sunlight and shelter, what they intend to grow and the space required. You can have members design their garden layouts on paper, or get technical and use an online design software like Gardena.

Check out Gardena here: <https://my-garden.gardena.com/uk>
