



HOW TO START A VEGETABLE GARDEN?

B1 - LISTENING + IMPERATIVES





Discuss

1. Have you ever had a vegetable garden?
2. What plants have you grown?
3. What do you need to start a vegetable garden?

Match the words to the pictures.



- compost
- gloves
- labels
- manure
- potting mix
- seedlings
- seaweed solution
- sharpie
- snail pellets
- straw mulch
- trowel
- watering can

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Which of these objects are essential to start a vegetable garden?



- compost - 7
- gloves - 6
- labels - 8
- manure - 1
- potting mix - 11
- seedlings - 4
- seaweed solution - 10
- sharpie - 3
- snail pellets - 5
- straw mulch - 9
- trowel - 12
- watering can - 2

Order the gardening activities.



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- 02 To get good vegetable production, your patch must get a minimum of hours of sunlight a day.
- 03 If you aren't using a planting bed, think about using or COW
- 04 In case you are using a planter, fill it almost full with
- 05 Instead of planting seeds, plant for faster results.
- 06 Don't plant seedlings too close to each other. To avoid any errors, read the on the seedlings.
- 07 Before planting, remove the seedlings carefully and separate them with your
- 08 Water your plants with a for quicker root growth.
- 09 Put some pellets to protect your garden from pests, such as and slugs.
- 10 After planting, put some on top of the soil for more protection.



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- 01 Start by selecting the right *patch*.
- 02 To get good vegetable production, your patch must get a minimum of *six* hours of sunlight a day.
- 03 If you aren't using a planting bed, think about using *compost* or cow *manure*.
- 04 In case you are using a planter, fill it almost full with *potting mix*.
- 05 Instead of planting seeds, plant *seedlings* for faster results.
- 06 Don't plant seedlings too close to each other. To avoid any errors, read the *label* on the seedlings.
- 07 Before planting, remove the seedlings carefully and separate them with your *fingers*.
- 08 Water your plants with a *seaweed solution* for quicker root growth.
- 09 Put some pellets to protect your garden from pests, such as *snails* and slugs.
- 10 After planting, put some *mulch* on top of the soil for more protection.





Read the sentences and answer the questions.

Plant seedlings for faster results.

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Remove the seedlings carefully and separate them with your fingers.

Water your plants with a seaweed solution for quicker root growth.

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What do these sentences have in common?

What is the form of the verb?

What is the negative form of the verb?

What is the subject of these sentences?

What are the purpose and tone of these sentences?

Complete the sentences with a verb from the list.

add apply clear plant rotate water

- 1..... the seeds in rows and water them regularly.
- 2..... the plants regularly to ensure the roots are hydrated.
- 3..... a layer of mulch around the plants to keep moisture.
- 4..... crops every year to protect the soil and promote healthy growth.
- 5..... compost to the soil to enrich it with nutrients.
6. Before planting, the garden of any weeds.



The background features a collage of yellow roses. A large, irregular white shape is overlaid on the roses. A smaller, circular inset image shows a person wearing a backpack and using a tool to work in a garden. There are also several green leaf icons scattered around the page.

Give gardening instructions.

Think of some activities that you can do in a garden. Write five sentences using the imperative form and present them to your colleagues.

How to plant and take care of roses?

- 1. Choose a sunny location with at least 6 hours of sunlight.*
- 2. Add compost to improve fertility.*
- 3. Mulch around the base of the rose bush to keep the moisture.*
- 4....*
- 5....*