Planting lettuce by Miss Thurston

EQUIPMENT

Seeds
Seedling pots
Lettuce plants
Planter
Trowel
Spade
Watering can/water
Soil
Compost



- 1) To start growing your lettuce you need to get some lettuce seeds.
- 2) These need to be planted into small pots and first grown indoors or in a greenhouse until they are big enough to be planted outside.

Lettuce Seeds



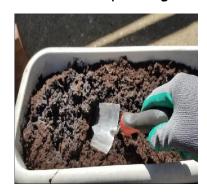
Seeds beginning to shoot



- 3) You can plant your lettuce plants straight into the garden or as I will be doing, plant in a planter. The planter will first need to have some soil added which I took from my garden.
- 4) Next add some compost.



5) Give the compost a good mix.



- 6) After that, using a trowel dig a small hole to put the lettuce plant in.
- 7) Then very importantly give the soil/compost some water.



8) When the water has soaked in very gently tap the lettuce plant from the pot and place into the hole you have dug.



9) Do the same with any other plants you have and water again.



10) I have put a plant marker in with the plants so I remember what I have planted and.....



11) Finally, place in a nice sunny spot and watch them grow!



Let's investigate.....

What does a plant need to grow?

Why do some plants have flowers?

Have a look around your garden or a park and see how many different plants you can see.