

VEGETABLE GARDENING 101

Learn from a story about a hardworking and resourceful rabbit and a lazy bear as they explore “Tops & Bottoms” of plants we eat. First [read the story](#). Then, you can plant a seed or plant you have and exhibit it at fair. (Note: if you want to plant in a pot, you can bring the whole pot to fair as a clover kid.)

Activity: Choose your favorite vegetable or fruit. Pretend you are the seed of that fruit/vegetable and you have a furry animal friend (squirrel, opossum, rabbit - any animal you choose) who is willing to help you search and find the perfect new home for you to grow into a healthy plant. Tell your furry friend where you need to live. Where would you live? Would you need shade or sunlight? How deep would you need to be planted? How much water do you need?

Gardening Educational Poster (*can make and enter at fair*)

Create a poster explaining what you learned about plant parts that are edible. You can use the story to tell about "tops and bottoms" or you could describe what you know about the seed or plant you are going to plant.

Materials needed: Participants will need access to seeds (and a seed label telling how deep to plant, etc.) to plant, poster board OR paper, markers/colors, pencil.

(optional: [printout](#) to help make a poster)

