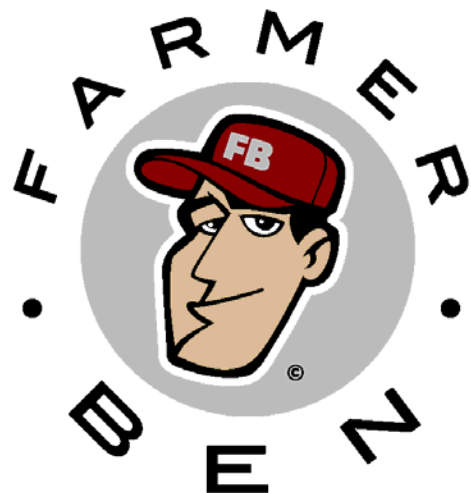


Seed Journal

Planting seeds with children has long been a favorite activity. With a little effort the seed packets can be transformed into booklets useful for a number of activities. Seed journals can serve as poetry books, a picture book, or a place for a new story,



You will need:

Seed packets
Paper
Scissors
Stapler
Markers

How to:

1. Provide each child with a packet of seeds. This activity works best when seed packets are paper rather than see through plastic.
2. Cut open the top of packet. Remove seeds.
3. Cut open the bottom and right side of packet. The open packet will form a book cover.
4. Provide each student with a 8 ½ by 11 piece of paper.
5. Fold paper in half horizontally. Fold in half vertically. Open the paper and cut on the folds.
6. Stack the four pieces of paper and fold in half to form a book.
7. Insert book pages into seed packet book cover. Staple in the center.
8. Use book to record the steps of the germination process.

Variations:

Use the journal to write a garden story.
Journals can be used to write a lab from the garden.



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