



Virtual Gardening Club

Week 1: July 10, 2020

Garden Kit Contents

- 1. Workbook**
- 2. Composition Journal**
- 3. Watering Can**
- 4. Bucket**
- 5. Two Hand Tools**
- 6. Gloves**
- 7. Coloring Utensils**
- 8. Seeds**
 - a. Microgreens for the fuzzy caterpillar activity**
 - b. Radish Easter Egg Seeds**
 - c. Nasturtium Seeds**
 - d. Salanova Lettuce Seeds**
 - e. Deep Purple Scallion Seeds**
 - f. Giant of Italy Parsley Seeds**
 - g. Aroma Basil Seeds**
 - h. Golden Sweet Pea Seeds**
 - i. Dragon Bean Seeds**
 - j. Sugar Snap Pea Seeds**
 - k. Cruiser Cilantro Seeds**
- 9. Four Skewers**
- 10. Knee High**
- 11. Glue stick**
- 12. Three Popsicle Sticks (for labeling plants)**
- 13. Yarn Strings**
- 14. Vermicompost Soil Mix**
- 15. Watercolor Set**
- 16. 3 S / 3 M / 3 L Zip Ties**

Week 1: Gathering & Prepping

Purpose

The weekly scavenger hunt is an easy to use method to incorporate the garden club's theme of reduce, reuse, recycle, and refuse into everyday practice. In order for each student to create their own personalized garden they will find some of the materials within their own home. The students will be encouraged to revisit the scavenger hunt list as needed each week. This gives the students the opportunity to follow along with the virtual gardening club, but also to be creative and see the potential to reuse everyday items. The students are not required to have every single item on the list and may find useful items outside this list.

Scavenger Hunt

- **Old Juice Boxes**
- **2 Liter Bottles (or just different size plastic bottles)**
- **Yogurt Containers**
- **Food Takeout Containers**
- **Newspapers/old flyer papers**
- **Strings or Yarn**
- **Old T-shirts**
- **Milk/Water Jugs**
- **Aluminum Cans (Old Soup Cans)**
- **Old Pantyhose/stockings**
- **Egg Cartons**
- **Bread twist ties**
- **Kabob Skewers/chopsticks**
- **Old plastic spoons/forks**
- **Toilet Paper rolls**
- **Paper Towel rolls**
- **Old Newspapers**
- **Brown Paper Bags**
- **Anything you think you can plant a seed in!**

Upcycling Challenge

We want to challenge students to upcycle in new and creative ways. The goal of upcycling is to create higher quality than its original form of trash or waste. Feel free to use items from the scavenger hunt to make personalized creations whether for gardening, decorating, or anything that strikes the mind. We want to encourage the students to continue using the four R's to integrate in their lifestyle and daily practices. We recommend using items that cannot be recycled for upcycling. Share your photos of your creations, coloring sheets, and gardening activities with the #newcitygardenclub.

Gardening Club Activities

Check out these videos on our youtube channel New City Neighbors, on the Virtual Garden Club Playlist. New content will be loaded each week. They are also available on our website at <http://newcityneighbors.org/virtual-garden-club/> . We will also have some themes around African Americans contributions to agriculture.

I. Mint Ice Cubes Video

Learn how to make a refreshing mint ice cubes, the perfect addition to any cold drink.

II. Paper Pots Video

Learn how to make your very own paper pots, great for fast growing crops.

III. Soda Bottle Greenhouse Video

Learn how to make your own mini greenhouse from a soda bottle.

IV. Coloring Sheets

The following coloring books will have select coloring sheets featured in our kits, they are also available on amazon.

- The Languages of Flowers Coloring Book by John Green
- American Wild Flowers Coloring Book by Paul E. Kennedy
- Favorite Wildflowers Coloring Books by Llil Arbel
- Medicinal Plant Coloring Book An Herb Guide by Lilt Kids Coloring Books (Illustrated by James Stewart)
- Medicinal Plants Coloring Book by Llil Arbel
- Herbs Coloring Book by Stefen Bernath
- Trees of the Northeast Coloring Book by Stefen Bernath
- The Botany Coloring Book by Paul Young