

# Planting a Vegetable Garden



This weekend Fleur is helping Granddad plant a vegetable garden. Granddad's garden gets lots of sun and has good soil. Fleur waters the garden in the morning before the day gets too hot. Then Granddad gets the soil ready for planting. He turns the soil over with a shovel and mixes in compost. Then he rakes the soil so it is smooth and ready to make his planting rows. Fleur weeds the edges of the vegetable garden.



Granddad and Fleur have made a list of the vegetables they will plant. Together they plant seedling rows of tomatoes, lettuces and cucumbers. Next to the

rows they plant a border of herbs, like basil and thyme. It will be Fleur's job to water the young plants each day. Granddad's job will be to check for snails!

## Planting a Vegetable Garden Comprehension Questions



1. Name two things that are good for a vegetable garden.

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2. Why does Fleur water the vegetable garden in the morning?

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3. Why does Granddad mix in compost?

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4. Where in the vegetable garden are the herbs planted?

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5. What vegetables did they plant in their garden?

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**Extension:** Why do you think Granddad has to check for snails?