# LIVING PLANT NECKLACE

# TAKE-HOME ACTIVITY SNAPSHOT

## RELATED "MY AMERICAN FARM" GAME



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#### GRADE LEVELS

• Third - Fifth

#### CONTENT AREA

Science

#### **S**TANDARDS

NS.K-4.1, NS.5-8.1 Science as Inquiry

NS.k-4.3 Life Science.

National Science Education Standards, National Academies of Science

## WHAT WILL YOU DO?

In this activity you will create a fun necklace that contains a living plant!

#### SUPPLIES YOU'LL NEED

- 1 small plastic jewlers bag (approx 1"x2")
- 1 cotton ball
- 1 ribbon or clip lanyard, approximately 20" long
- 2-3 seeds
- water
- Hole punch (if using ribbon)

## GETTING READY

This is an activity that is fun to do at home with your family. American farmers and ranchers work hard each day to take care of the land, so they can provide food, fiber and natural resources to people like you and me - all over the world! With this fun activity, you will have a chance to create your own miniature farm in a necklace.

To get ready, find a safe space to work. Locate the supplies you'll need. Be safe and have fun!

# BUILD YOUR NECKLACE:

STEP-BY-STEP

Step 1: A Warm Place to Grow

Open the plastic bag and place I cotton ball in the bottom.

## Step 2: Time to Plant!

Place 2-3 seeds carefully in the bag, between the cotton balls and the inside of the bag. You should be able to see the seeds when looking from the outside.

## Step 3: Water

Add a few drops of water to your bag - just enough to moisten the cotton ball and the seeds. Check your cotton ball every day and add water as needed.

# Step 4: Wear it!

If using ribbon, use a hole punch to make a small hole in the top of the bag. Run ribbon through the hole to create a necklace. If using a clip lanyard, simply clip the lanyard to the top of the bag. Wear your necklace and watch your plant grow!

## Step 6: Sun!

Keep your necklace in a sunny place and water often.

\*Content inspired by "How Fast are Fast Plants" http://www.fastplants.org/activities/