

Hi friends, happy summer! This is Bill the Duck, and I'm so excited to be finished school and to spend more time outside. My friends and I planted some seedlings in the spring and they are sprouting fresh veggies I can't wait to taste. Watering the plants is a lot of fun too (I might get as wet as the plants!). Check out the next page to see other fun things to do with gardens and nature.



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Fun things to do with gardens this summer!

Kids' garden - in the ground or in a pot:

Some plants are fast and easy to grow. Try sunflowers (from seed) or cherry tomatoes (from seedlings). Planted in a pot or in a garden, you'll see results quickly. Birds will love to eat your sunflowers and cherry tomatoes are a great snack for kids!

Press Flowers:

Find pretty flowers or leaves (don't pick from someone else's garden without permission!) and close them between the pages of a



large book. Or you can place between thick paper and pile heavy objects on top. Leave for a few days, then take them out – glue the flattened flowers and leaves to paper backgrounds or place them in a frame.

Veggie Stamps:

Potatoes, peppers, carrots and apples make excellent stamps. Cut the veggies themselves into shapes or carve designs into one side. Wash, pat dry, then dip in water-based paint. Stamp colourful designs on brown paper, cardboard boxes or art paper. You can also roll





cobs of corn, dip broccoli or test out a cut orange!

