



Stage 1 education program at Vacluse House

How Does Your Garden Grow?

Pre-visit activity

Look at pictures of plants and/or examine a real plant (complete with root system).

Discuss the parts of a plant (root, stem, leaves and flower) and what each part does. No need to get more complicated than the language of the labels below.

Have each student draw a plant and label its roots, stem, leaves and flower.

The **roots** absorb water and hold the plant in the soil.

The **stem** brings water and food to the rest of the plant.

The **leaves** use the sun and air to make food for the plant.

The **flower** makes seeds and fruit.