



GARDEN WORD FUN

Fill in the blank with your “garden word fun” terms:

When planted, _____ seeds will not reproduce the same plant from which they were harvested.

_____ found in plants are most powerful during the sprouting phase.

A _____ holds water, same as a rain barrel.

_____ is the method of extracting (or removing) the juice from fresh fruits and vegetables.

Plants can be grown in a _____ to protect them from damaging cold weather.

_____ change occurs over a long period of time.

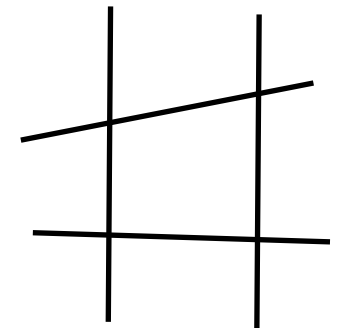
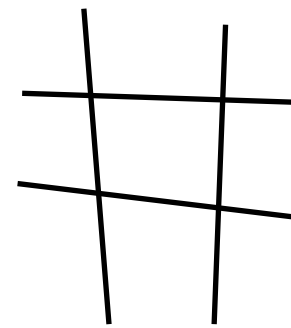
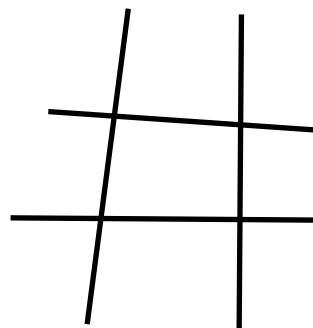
_____ remove potentially damaging oxidizing agents that cause cell damage in our bodies.

The presence of _____ is the important difference between fruits and vegetables.

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 HYBRID
 JUICING
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 ORGANIC
 PRAYING MANTIS
 SEEDS

TIC-TAC-TOE



Jamal Livingston is stressed out. His community garden is about to be closed because the neighbors and volunteers are squabbling!



When he shares the news with his friends, the students at Beacon Academy won't stand for it. If the neighbors won't volunteer to work the garden, then *they* will. The kids are experts now. It's the moment Jamal learns the true power of community outreach. But while he and his friends might have piles of energy, can they overcome all of the obstacles and save the garden?



THE MUDDY FINGERS
GARDEN CREW to the RESCUE!
by D.S. VENETTA

Did you know?

1. Which insect can identify friend or foe by scent?
2. What insect has two eyes, one ear, and can turn its head to see behind it?
3. This herb repels mice in the garden—when used in oil form, that is.
4. Many people grow this type of grass in the garden and eat it for healing purposes.
5. This leafy vegetable plant is actually over 90% water. Can you guess what it is?
6. It looks like one large flower, but each head is composed of hundreds of tiny flowers called florets, which ripen to become seeds! What is it?
7. Which vegetable was originally purple, but are now mostly orange?
8. Originally from Australia, this nut is best harvested after it falls from the tree branches. CAUTION: You won't want to have your dog nearby while you harvest, because this nut is harmful to their health.

Answers: 1. ants 2. praying mantis 3. peppermint 4. wheatgrass 5. cabbage 6. sunflower 7. carrot 8. macadamia