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Research Projects Comprehension Activities



■ Curriculum Readers: 800 - 1300 Total Words

Amazing Plants

1. Beans Beans Beans

G. Reading for Research

Personal Achievement Goal: to show that I can ask good questions to find out more information.

What topic would you like to know more about?

**Farmers who
grow beans
in the UK**

**How beans
are picked
on farms**

**Recipes for
baked beans**

**The first cans
of baked beans**

Choose one topic. List the questions you'd like to ask:

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1. We asked three people to tell us their favourite beans.
2. We asked three people to guess how many beans they thought they would eat in a week.
3. We asked three people what combinations of food they like to eat with baked beans.
4. We asked our school lunch cooks what they like about baked beans.

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2. OUCH! Stinging Nettles

G. Reading for Research

Personal Achievement Goal: to show that I can ask good questions to find out more information.

What topic would you like to know more about?

**How to make
nettle soup**

**Other plants
that sting us**

**The most
deadly
stinging plants**

**How glass is
made from
silica**

Choose one topic. List the questions you'd like to ask:

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1. We tried to find out how many people in our class had ever been stung by stinging nettles, and what we found out was...
2. We told three people that stinging nettles have little shards of glass that can give us injections, and what they said was...
3. We decided to make a delicious nettle soup and made an advertising poster to convince people to buy it.
4. We asked if anyone knew where stinging nettles were growing in our neighbourhood.

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3. Bamboo!

G. Reading for Research

Personal Achievement Goal: to show that I can ask good questions to find out more information.

What topic would you like to know more about?

Making a musical pipe with bamboo	Recipes for eating bamboo	How bamboo knitting yarn is made	What bamboo flowers look like
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Choose one topic. List the questions you'd like to ask:

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1. We asked three people if they could name three things that are made from bamboo, and what they said was...
2. We decided to try and find out how bamboo got its name, and what we found out was...
3. We told three people that bamboo can be made into paper and fabric and can be eaten. When we asked them if they believed us, they said...
4. We asked three people if they knew how bamboo made new plants when it only had flowers every 100 years and they said...

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4. Help! Get Me Out of Here! Carnivorous Plants

G. Reading for Research

Personal Achievement Goal: to show that I can ask good questions to find out more information.

What topic would you like to know more about?

Keeping carnivorous plants at home	The names of some carnivorous plants	Carnivorous plants that grow in the UK	Places in the UK where carnivorous plants grow
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Choose one topic. List the questions you'd like to ask:

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1. We asked three people what they knew about carnivorous plants, and what we found out was...
2. We asked three people to imagine what it would be like to be an insect that was being sucked into a leaf by a vacuum; they said...
3. We drew a collection of carnivorous plants.
4. We decided to design an insect-eating plant that could eat different types of insects.

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**5. Anyone for Tea, Coffee
or Hot Chocolate?**

G. Reading for Research

Personal Achievement Goal: to show that I can ask good questions to find out more information.

What topic would you like to know more about?

Different types of coffee	Being a coffee farmer	Being a tea picker	Making different flavours of chocolate
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Choose one topic. List the questions you'd like to ask:

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1. We asked three people what they knew about chocolate and the plant that it comes from, and what we found out was...
2. We did a survey to find out whether tea or coffee was the most popular drink for adults.
3. We decided to find out where different brands of tea on sale in the supermarket come from.
4. We collected the names of as many different flavours of tea as we could.

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