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# Beneath the soil project

## *Growing potatoes in a bottle*

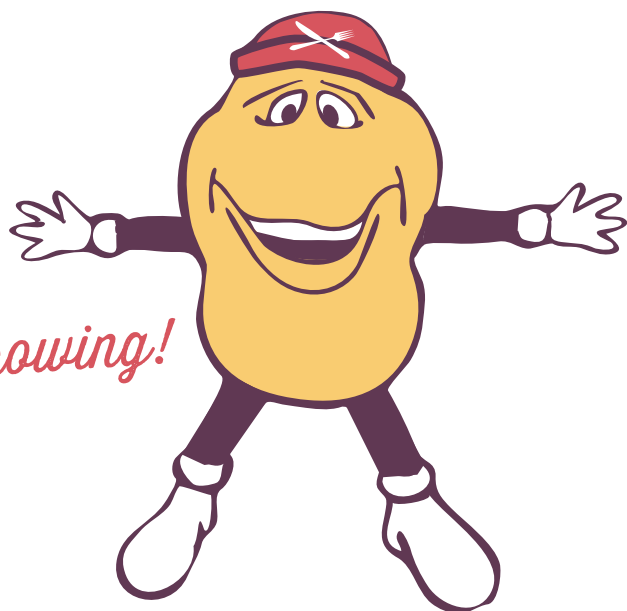
This project will show children how potatoes are grown in a short time frame and can easily be done within a small area and does not require a garden area.

### You will need:

- A clear plastic bottle – a 1L size or bigger, with the top cut off
- Soil
- 1 x seed potato

### What to do:

1. Fill the plastic bottle  $\frac{1}{3}$  full with soil.
2. Place the seed potato in the soil with the shoots facing up and cover with at least 5cm of soil. Do not soak the seed potato with water as it will rot. It should be kept slightly damp.
3. Place on a sunny windowsill and watch it grow.
4. When the top of the plants are level with the top of the bottle, add more soil to halfway up the stems.
5. As the plant starts growing, it sends out potato-bearing side shoots all the way up the top. These shoots will soon become potatoes.



*Happy growing!*

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