

JERSEY TASTES! ACTIVITIES

SEED NECKLACE



OVERVIEW:

- Seed-sprouting activity enables students to watch process of seed germination.
- Students will love walking around wearing their scientific seed necklace.
- Share directions & video w/ families.
- Put on school website.

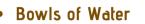


PROCEDURE:

- Punch a hole into top of bags, above the zipper.
- Prepare small bowls of water, cotton balls,
 bowls of seeds/beans & ziplock bags.
- Have each student dip two cotton balls into water. Squeeze them gently to remove excess water.
- Have them press cotton balls into bowl of seeds/beans. (Be sure some seeds/beans stick to cotton balls.)
- Have students place cotton balls in bag.
- Seal the ziplock bag.
- Thread string or yarn through hole of the bag.
 Cut & tie string around student's neck for necklace.
- Crucial: Do not open bags until leaves appear.
- Suggestion: Have students' write name in marker on back of bag. Collect necklaces at end of day & keep in classroom.

MATERIALS:

- Small Ziplock Bags; Approx. 2"x 2"
 (Similar to jewelry bags.)
- Hole Puncher





• Cotton Balls



• Bowls of Seeds or Beans
(Radish seeds & black beans



germinate quickly.)

- String or Yarn
- Scissors
- Markers



EDUCATION:

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- Discuss the meaning of "Germination".
- Raise questions: What do you think
 happens when a seed germinates? How
 long do you think it will take for a seed
 to germinate?
- Have students record their observations of germination process each day in a journal for approx. 10 days.
- Plant cotton balls w/ seeds or beans
 after 10 days, in small pots. Cotton ball
 should be planted in soil along w/ roots.



