

# JERSEY TASTES! ACTIVITY SHEETS

#### Lovely Lettuce





Pre-K: <u>Growing Lettuce in the Classroom</u> <u>Re-growing Kitchen Scraps Video</u> Lower & Upper Elem: <u>Lettuce Be Healthy Lesson Plan</u> Middle: <u>Chain of Food Lesson</u> HS: <u>Agronomy Feeds Us All Module</u>

## **RECIPES**:

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Breakfast: Lettuce Breakfast Wraps Lunch: Simple Garden Salad & Vinaigrette Dressing How-to Dinner: Chicken Lettuce Wrap Tacos or Vegetarian Chickpea Lettuce Wrap Tacos

## **NUTRITION FACT:**

Lettuce provides 247% daily values of Vitamin A.





#### ALL ABOUT NEW JERSEY!

Lettuce is cool-season crop that grows well in the spring and fall in New Jersey from March till June and September till December.

## HOW DOES IT GROW:



Lettuce loves the cooler weather and can tolerate a light frost. Sow lettuce when soils are above 40°F. Seeds germinate best at 55 to 65°F and will emerge in only 7 to 10 days. Because lettuce grows quickly, plant a small amount at a time, <u>staggering your plantings</u> for a continued harvest.

#### **LETTUCE VOCAB WITH VIDEOS:**

<u>Cut and come again</u>: continually cutting and harvesting leaves from the same plant <u>Broadcasting</u>: a way of direct seeding by tossing seeds over soil and sprinkling lightly with dirt <u>Bolting</u>: the weather becomes too hot for the plant and it begins to flower



The average American eats 30 POUNDS of lettuce a year!

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