

Plant Parts Rap

Objective: To learn the main parts of a plant and their roles.

Time: 15 minutes.

Materials: Rhythm sheets (in the Appendix and JMG Handbook), Plant Parts Page (Appendix).

Say the rap to the gardeners so they can learn its rhythm. As you do, build a plant by attaching parts to the poster as you rap about them. Have the gardeners use their rhythm sheets and do the Plant Parts Rap as a group.

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Plants are our friends, we give them special care.

They feed, they shelter, they give us fresh air.

Without plants in our world, we simply could not live,
Because of all of the awesome gifts that they give.

The tiny plant begins as a seed that germinates.
And from this moment on, here's the journey that it takes.

The roots are in the dirt to help the plant grow
And hold it in place when the winds blow.

Just like a soda straw, they suck up H₂O.
And when the plant gets water, stand back and watch it grow.

Stems hold the plant up, they carry water to
The leaves, flowers, fruit and seeds. . .that's what the stems do.

Leaves grow from the stem. They soak up lots of sun.
When they change it into food, then their job is done.

The food is for the plant—it gives it strength and power.
It helps it to grow and make a nice flower.

Wind, birds, and bees. . .these are a flower's friend.
They help the life cycle to start once again.

The flower makes a fruit with a seed deep inside.
Some are eaten, some are blown, or some just hitch a ride.

Once a fruit is dried and a little seed comes out,
The seed will find the dirt and a new plant will sprout.

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