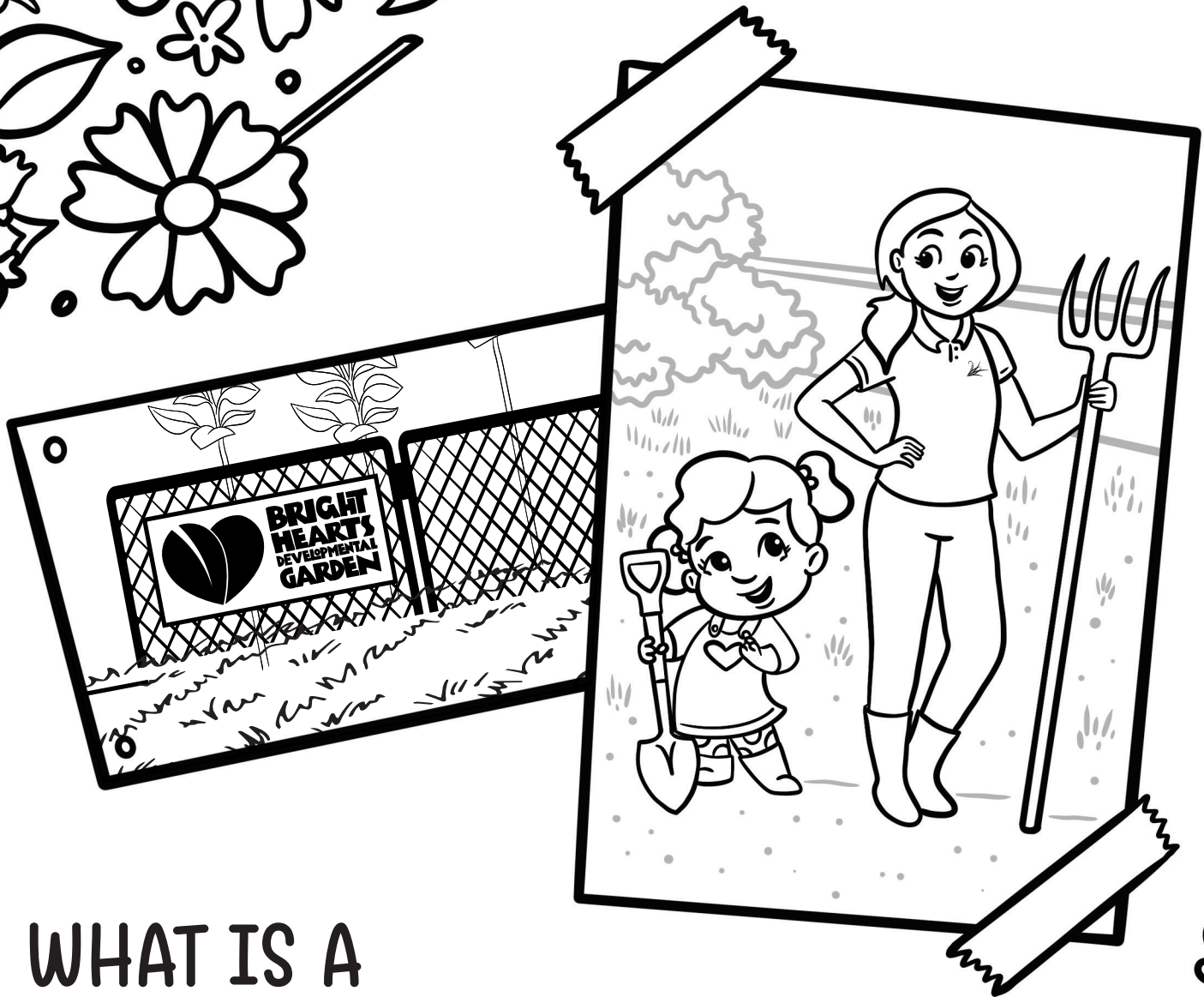


PLANT NURSERY

ACTIVITY BOOK





WHAT IS A PLANT NURSERY?

Have you ever seen how beautiful the City of Lakeland is? Think about all the gardens and parks! They are full of flowers and plants. Did you ever wonder where all those plants come from? Well, most of the plants you see around town come from a place called a nursery.

Sort of like a baby nursery, a plant nursery is a place where tiny plants are helped to grow big and strong. The City of Lakeland grows all kinds of plants year-round to help make our city beautiful. Let us show you some of our favorite plants...

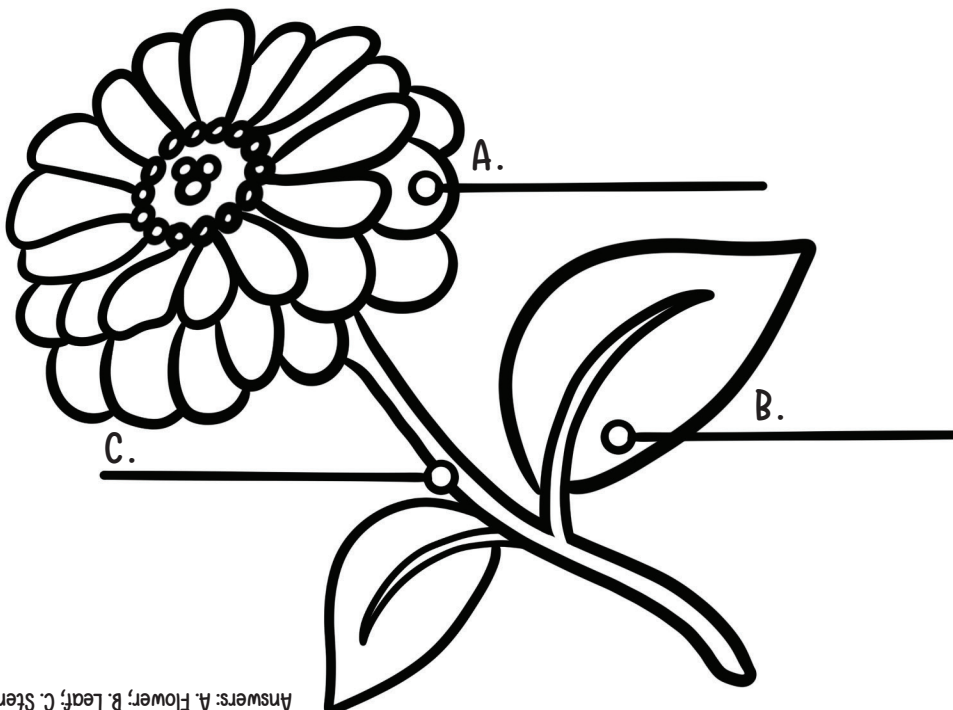
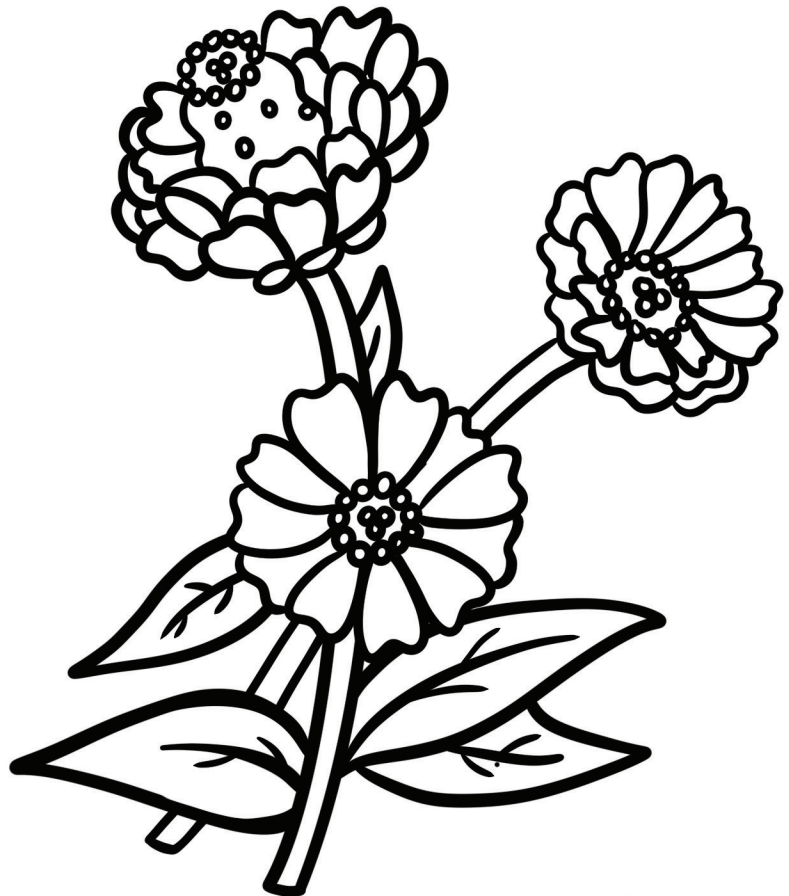


IN THE SPRING WE GROW ZINNIAS

Zinnias come in hundreds of colors, and the flowers can be different shapes.

Zinnias represent "thinking of absent friends" in the language of flowers.

Zinnias were brought aboard the International Space Station. Scientists learned that zinnias could grow in zero gravity.



- FLOWER
- STEM
- LEAF

IN THE SUMMER WE GROW VINCA

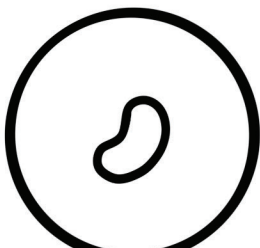


Vinca is also known as periwinkle. Their flowers are full of color and very big.

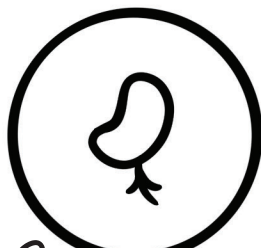
An extract from vinca is used by doctors to help fight cancer.

Vinca grows well in full sun to part shade.

LIFE CYCLE OF A PLANT



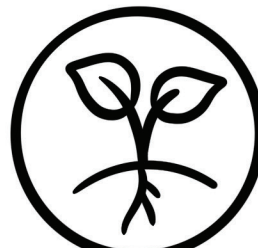
Seed



Germination



Sprout



Seedling



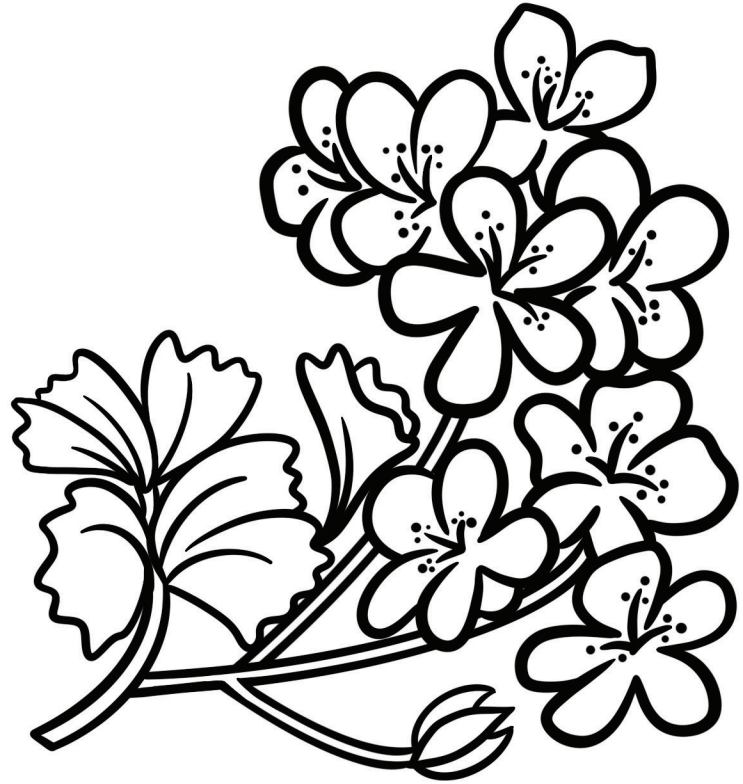
Plant

IN THE FALL WE GROW ROSE GERANIUMS

There are hundreds of known species of geraniums.

Rose geranium oil is used in foods and beverages as a flavoring.

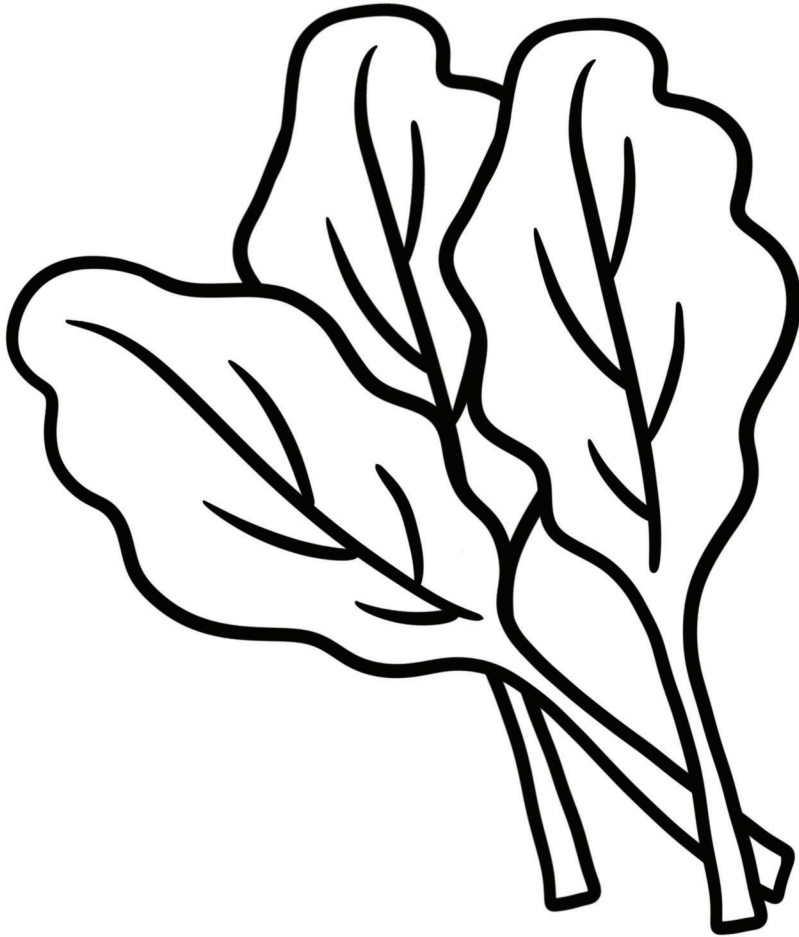
Rose geraniums have a strong, beautiful scent.



DRAW YOUR OWN PLANT

Draw your own plant in the pot; make sure your plant has a flower, stem and leaves.

IN THE WINTER WE GROW SWISS CHARD

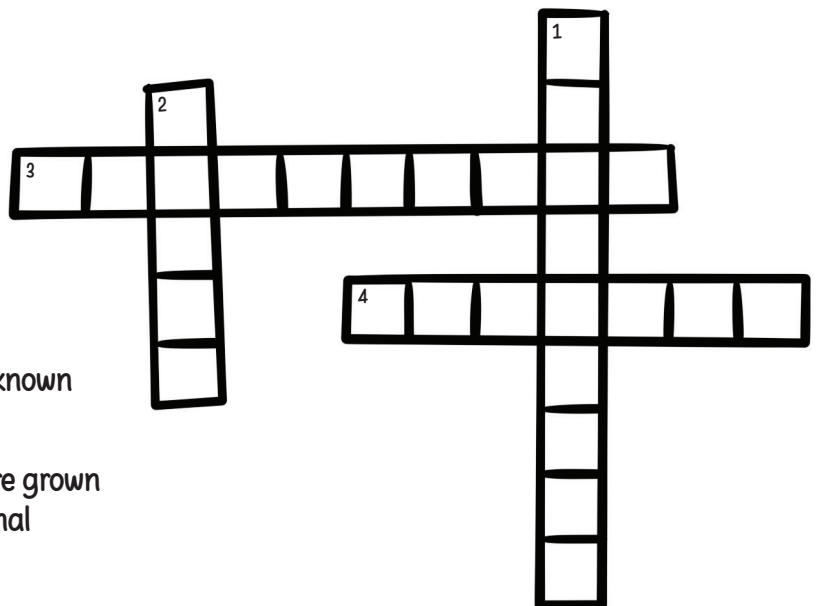


Swiss chard isn't from Switzerland, it actually comes from Sicily, Italy.

Swiss chard plants can grow up to 2 feet high.

Swiss chard has a lot of nicknames. White beet, strawberry spinach, sea kale beet, and leaf beet; just to name a few.

ALL ABOUT PLANTS CROSSWORD PUZZLE



DOWN

1. This flower has a strong beautiful scent.
2. This flower is also known as a periwinkle.

ACROSS

3. This plant is also known as a white beet.
4. These flowers were grown on the international space station.

I SPY NURSERY FLOWERS



FIND 10 OF EACH



Swiss Chard
Leaves



Zinnias



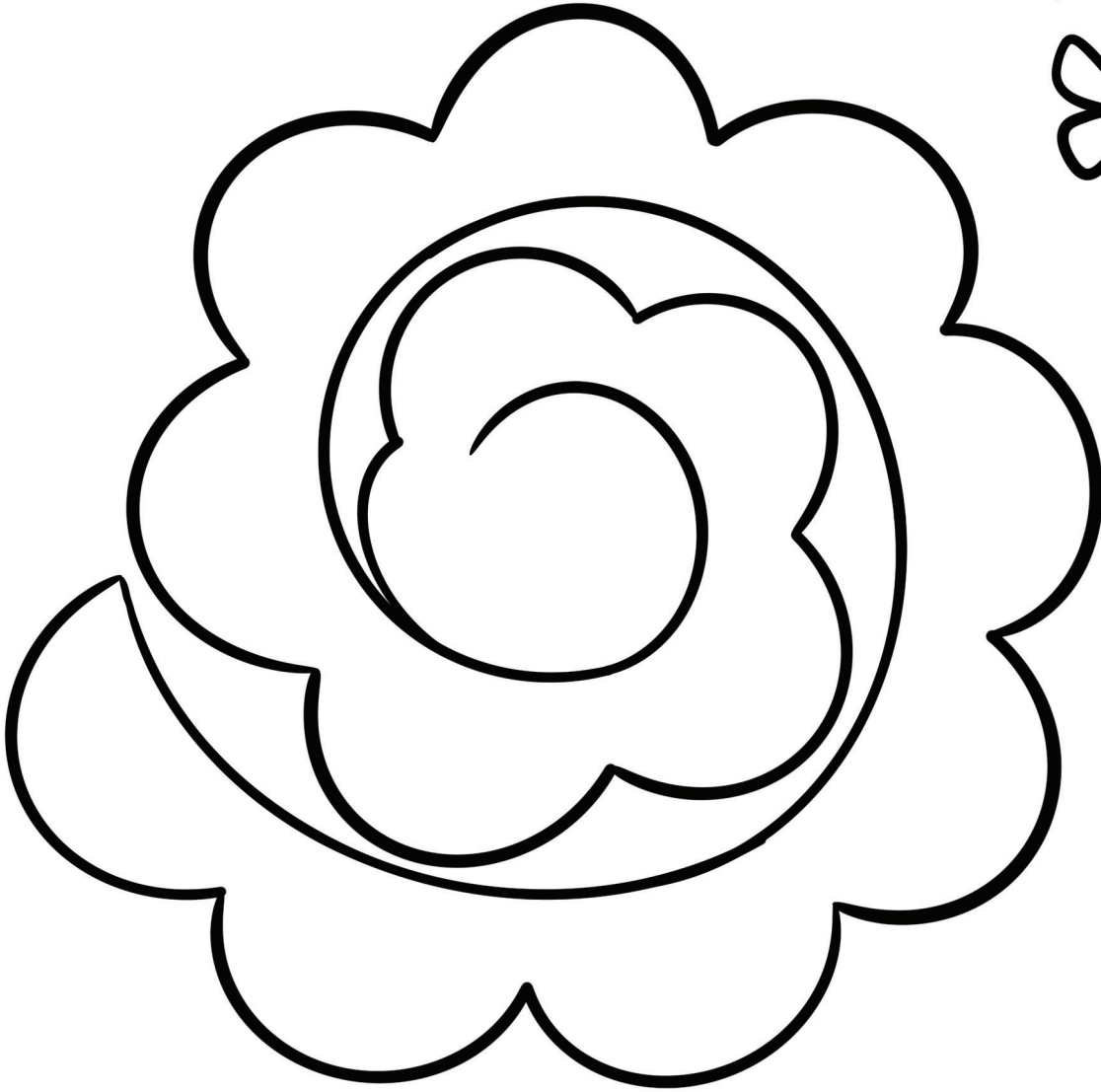
Rose
Geraniums



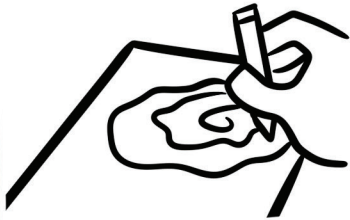
Vinca



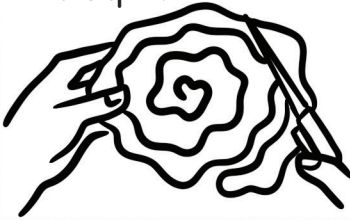
FLOWER PAPER CRAFT.



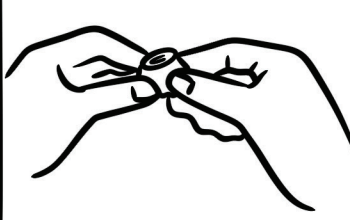
1. Color in the spiral.



2. Have a grown-up help you cut out the spiral.



3. Roll spiral starting from the outside.



4. Tape the end to the center and enjoy your paper flower.

