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List of changes:

N/A

Passive Hydroponics

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Material List



0,5L-1L opaque PET/HDPE/LDPE plastic bottle (eg: milk bottle, juice package or bottle, cleaning liquid bottle, etc), #1



Cork stopper, #1



2-part or 3-part hydroponic nutrients, #1



2mL – 10mL plastic measuring syringe, #1



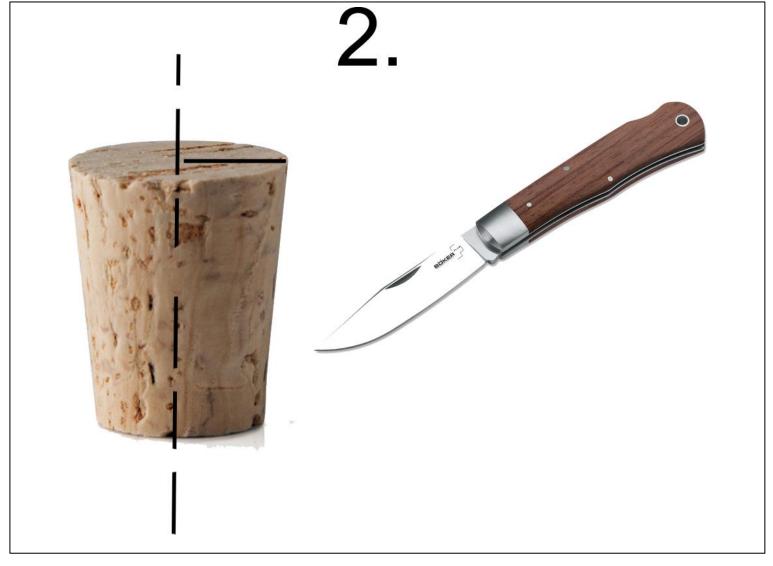
Herb/Salad/Greens seedling #1



Pocket knife, #1

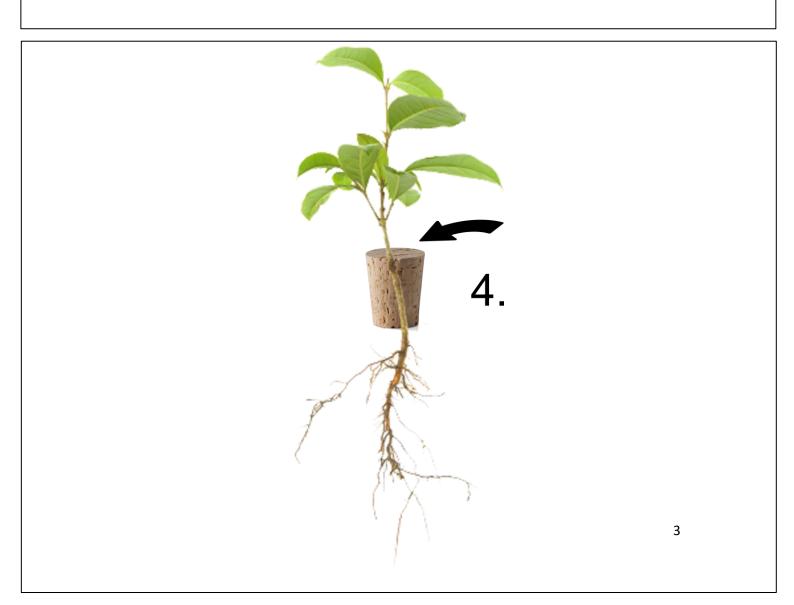
Number of steps: 8



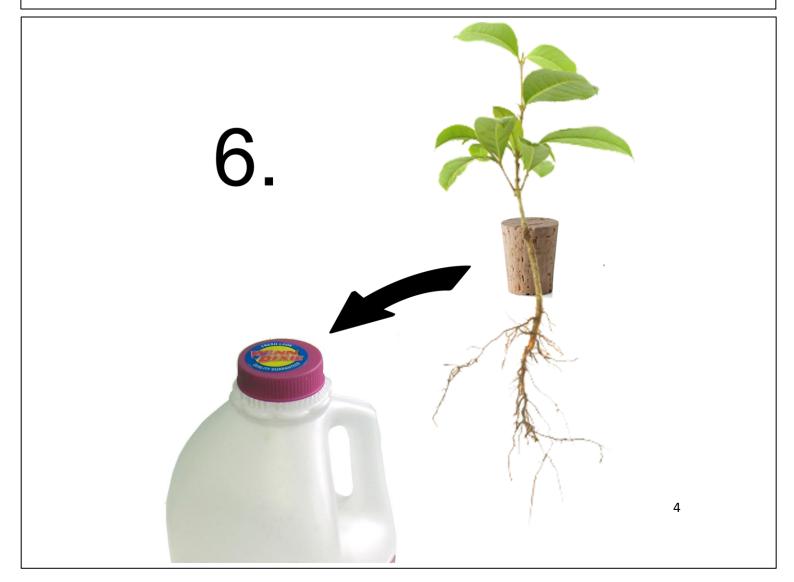


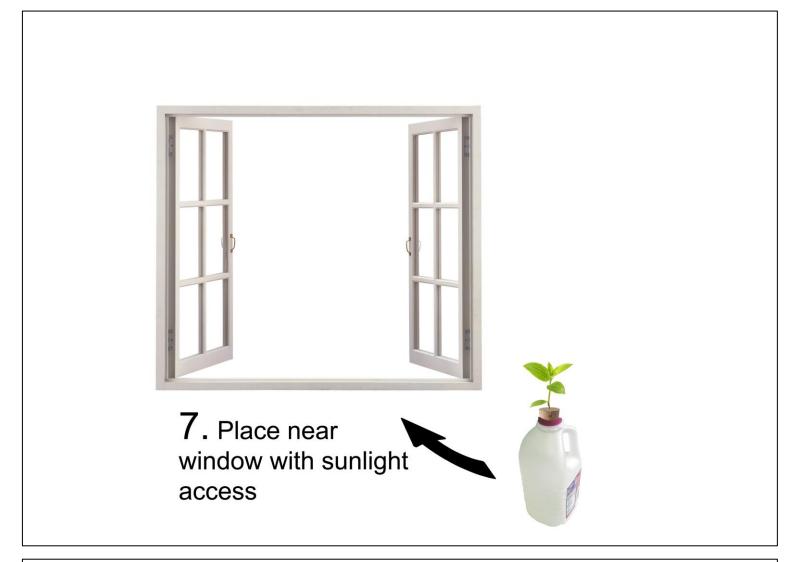


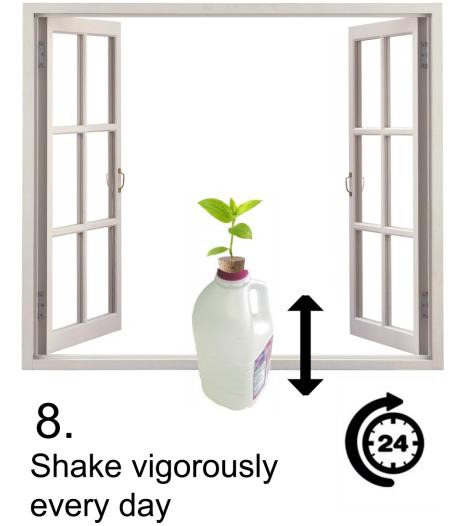
3. Softly rinse soil from roots











Known Issues/Suggestions:

- Few options for opaque plastic bottles
- Shaking might not be enough to prevent root rot from occurring
- Commercial mineral hydroponic solutions are expensive and unsustainable (mined from the Earth)
- Requires soil for seeding; future version should enable seedling to be incorporated directly into top of bottle
- Difficult to do these systems vertically with the shape/weight of bottles

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