



## Green Thumb Gardeners

### 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Here at Red Butte Garden, we believe learning is fun and can happen anytime, anywhere. To help continue the fun at home, we've included an outline of the topics we'll study this week at camp as well as a list of additional activities, books, and other resources related to this week's theme. We hope you'll use this to engage with your camper and keep the learning process happening all summer long! Thanks for coming to Summer Camp, and we'll see you soon at the Garden!

#### CAMP THEME

This week we'll be teaching your camper the in's and outs of how to be a gardener. Each day we'll focus on one of the six main parts of a plant, and how it helps the plant grow. At the end of the week, we'll work with a professional RBG Horticulturist and help take care of the Garden. Be sure to ask your camper about the following:

- **Monday** – Seeds, Plant Parts, Plant Life Cycle
- **Tuesday** – Roots, Plant Parts, Aeration
- **Wednesday** – Stems, Leaves, Hypothesis
- **Thursday** – Flowers, Fruit, Horticulturists,
- **Friday** – Plant Care, 3 RBG "Pro-Tips"

#### ACTIVITY IDEAS

- Hypothesize and conduct a seed science experiment
  - <http://tinyurl.com/SeedExperiment>
- Join or start a community garden
  - <https://wasatchgardens.org/community>
- Experiment with re-growing kitchen scraps
  - <http://tinyurl.com/KitchenScraps>
- Have your camper help plant a flower bed and be the "horticulturist" in charge of it

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- *The Tiny Seed* by Eric Carle
- *Roots, Shoots, Buckets, and Boots* by Sharon Lovejoy
- *Planting a Rainbow* by Lois Ehlert

