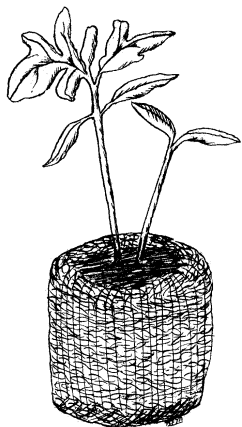
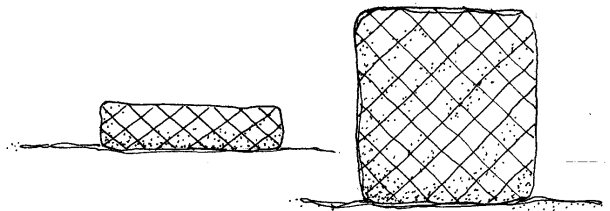


Fun with Plants: Grow Your Own Plant

- **Get** a peat pellet at a garden center or store. **Soak** the pellet in water in a small plastic container.
- **Describe** what happens _____
- **Pour** off excess water.
- To get ready to plant your seeds **measure** 1/2 inch on a pencil or stick and **mark** it with a line. **Stick** the pencil or stick in the peat pellet up to your line. Take out the pencil or stick. You now have a hole in the peat pellet.
- In the hole, **place** two or three marigold, zinnia, or tomato seeds. You will only keep one seedling, but you plant two or three seeds in case one or two do not sprout. **Push** the peat moss back over the seeds.
- **Put** your peat pellet in a warm place. Keep a saucer under it to protect your furniture from water. Give it a little **water** if it starts to feel dry.
- **Watch** for little seedlings to come up. After the seedlings have sprouted, put the plant in direct bright sunlight. You will want to keep only one seedling to make sure there is plenty of room for it to grow. How many seedlings came up? _____
Choose the seedling you want to keep, and **cut** off the others with scissors.



- When your seedling has two sets of true leaves, it is big enough to plant outside or in a larger container.

