

BACKYARD EXPLORERS

Wonderful nature activities
right on your doorstep.



Make your own rain gauge



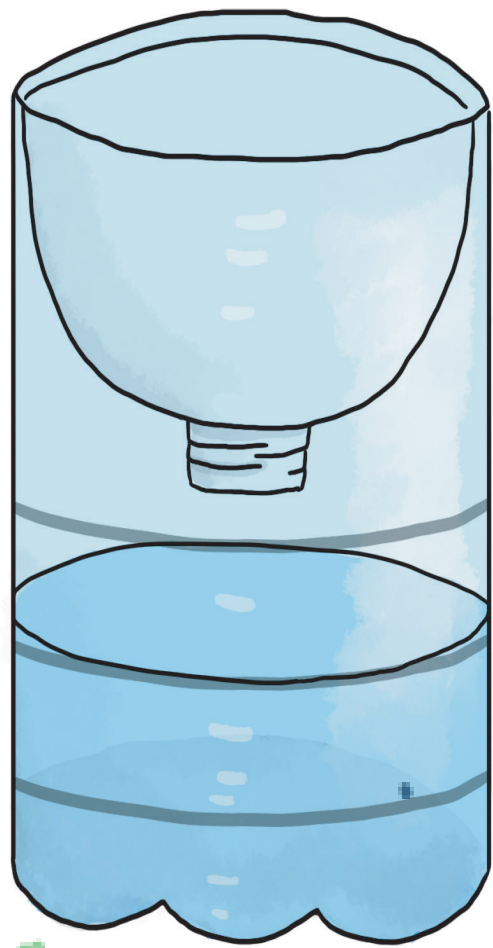
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DID YOU KNOW?

Watering plants with a **hose pipe** could waste **500 litres** of water in just **half an hour!**



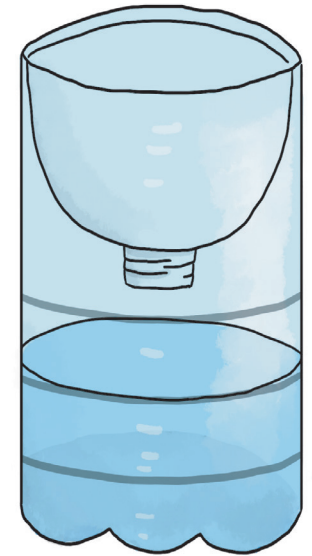
Plants love rain water too. **Make a rain gauge** to find out how much rain falls in your area and then use it to water your plants!



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

1

A plastic 2 litre bottle



2

Scissors



3

A measuring jug



WHAT TO DO

1

Carefully cut through the top of the bottle and turn the top part upside down to make a funnel.

(You may need an adult to help with this part.)

2

Head outside and find the perfect spot away from trees and houses.

Prop it up between something heavy to stop it from being blown over.



WHAT TO DO

3

Check the rain gauge daily at the same time and pour the water into the measuring jug.

4

Write down how much rain fell each day.

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Once it's full, use the water to give your plants a drink.





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