Year 2 – Plants

Language for Learning

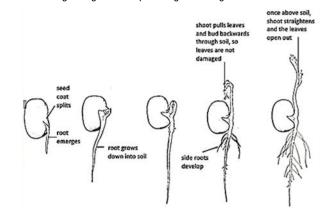
Through the activities in this topic, pupils should **understand and use key scientific words precisely** - spelling these words correctly. This includes - words with precise scientific meanings (e.g. weight and mass), words with different meanings in scientific and everyday contexts (e.g. drag) and words relating to scientific enquiry (e.g. variable).

Key Scientific Words	
Key Word	Definition (Meaning)
Seed	Part of a plant that contains a food source and can grow into an adult plant.
Bulb	The base of the stem of some plants that can send down roots and grow into a plant.
Basic Needs	The things that a plant needs to survive and stay healthy.
Water	A liquid that plants need to stay healthy.
Light	A type of energy that allows us to see. Plants use light to make their own food.
Temperature	How hot or cold something is.
Germinate	To begin growing.
Growth	To increase in size and development.
Survive	To remain alive.
Reproduction	Producing new organisms.
Organism	A living thing.

Key Concepts

Seeds and **bulbs** can grow into complete plants. They have a food source inside them that helps the plant to **grow**. An example of a seed is a **sunflower seed**. An example of a bulb is a **daffodil bulb**.

Germinate means to start growing. An example of a germinating seed is shown below:



Seeds need water, the correct temperature and air to germinate. Bulbs need water, the correct temperature and air to grow.

Once they have germinated - plants need water, ${\bf light}$ and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

Your teacher will use the local environment to help you observe plants grow.

