

Disappearing Pumpkin

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Autumn is the perfect time of year to learn about pumpkin life cycles. You can find pumpkins at farmer's markets, grocery stores, and roadside stands. And... you can even find them in coffees, teas, bread, pies, soups, muffins, and more! Since pumpkins seem to be everywhere and in everything during this time of year, it makes sense to incorporate pumpkin life cycles into your science lessons in the fall instead of waiting until spring when other plant concepts are taught. Keep reading to learn about a fascinating pumpkin life cycle STEM activity and popular children's book you can use as a part of your science lessons!



Time Frame: About 30 minutes

You Will Need

- a small pie pumpkin
- a large plastic or glass container with a tight fitting lid. (This is a good time to reuse the container your animal crackers came in!)
- potting soil
- water

Place several inches of garden soil to the bottom of the large container and spritz with water until damp. Do not saturate the soil. Place the pumpkin in the container and replace the top of the container. Watch it throughout the rest of the year and document changes.