

Sunflowers

A sunflower is a big, yellow flower. It looks a lot like the sun. A sunflower has a circle in the middle. Around the circle, lots of petals grow. A sunflower needs a lot of sun to grow!

Sunflowers are very pretty. You can grow them in gardens. They are colorful and bright. You can also put sunflowers in a vase. The sunflowers can live inside your home. Just be careful when you touch sunflowers. The stems are rough and scratchy.

Sunflowers have seeds. The seeds are very good to eat. Birds and squirrels love sunflower seeds. People can eat sunflower seeds too. But don't eat their shells!

Name: _____ Date: _____

Directions: Circle the correct answer.

1. What does a sunflower need to grow?



the sun



milk

2. Where can sunflowers grow?



in a backpack



in a garden

3. Which animal likes to eat sunflower seeds?



cat



squirrel

4. What part of a sunflower is rough and scratchy?



the stems



the petals

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B) Draw a picture that shows a garden with sunflowers.

Teacher Guide & Answers

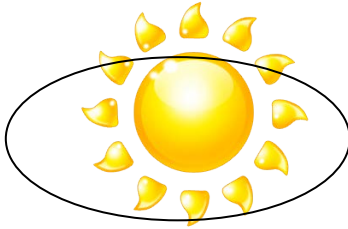
Passage Reading Level: Lexile 500

Featured Text Structure: Descriptive – the writer explains, defines, or illustrates a concept or topic

Passage Summary: The passage discusses basic information about sunflowers.

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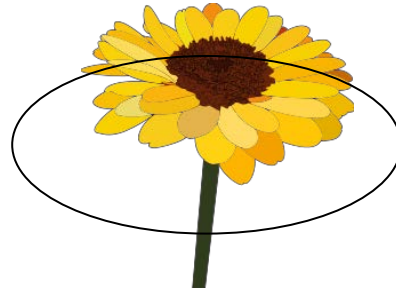


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5. A) Sunflowers look like the sun because they are _____.

Suggested answer: Answers may vary but should include: big and yellow, or a circle or round.

- B) Draw a picture that shows a garden with sunflowers.

Suggested answer: Drawings may vary but should depict yellow flowers in the ground that resemble sunflowers.