

## What Do Plants Need?

Plants are living things that need many things to grow. For example, plants need food and water. They "make" some food for themselves with sunlight. On the other hand, they get all the water they need from the soil after it rains. Plants need air.

## Popcorn

Sizzle. The oil heated up. Plunk! Grandma dropped  
the kernels in the pan. Pop! Pop! Pop pop pop  
POP POP! It's ready. Crunch! Munch! Aaaaaaaah.  
That was yummy!

## Cat Shelter

Every day, our walk to school took us down the street in front of the cat shelter. If there was time, my mom would wait while I stared through the front window. Kittens played with toys while older cats lounged around on hammocks in the warm sun streaming through the window. And, after a few minutes of fascination, my mom would gently tug my hand so I wouldn't be late to school. This went on for months. I'd see cats come and cats go. I wondered about their new homes and if they were happy there. Inside, I was so sad, because I knew one of these cats could be my very best friend. One day, I stared at the playful kittens for a long time. And my mom didn't pull me away.

"Mom, won't we be late?" I asked.

"There's no school today," my mom reminded me.

And then I knew. Today would be the day I would take one of those wonderful cats in the window home to be my friend.

Dear Second Grader,

I have some advice for you! Be sure that you try to get 100 percent on your homework. If that's impossible, just do your best. Be respectful to your classmates and your teacher. Try not to be disorganized. That will make it easier to find things.

Your friend,

Landon

# How to Draw models of ones, Tens, Hundreds

## Materials:

- Paper
- Bracer
- Base-Tens
- pencil
- place value chart

## Steps:

1. Read number out aloud.



2. Build the number using base tens.



3. Make the number on the place value chart starting with the hundreds, tens.

Then the ones.



4. Look in each unit starting with  
hundreds, tens, and ones. Skip count by  
100'S 10'S 1'S and to identify the  
number.

