



A World of Gardens

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Gardens Everywhere

Have you ever planted a seed? A seed is the start of a garden. People grow plants in gardens. There are many kinds of gardens. Some gardens are for food. Other gardens are full of flowers.



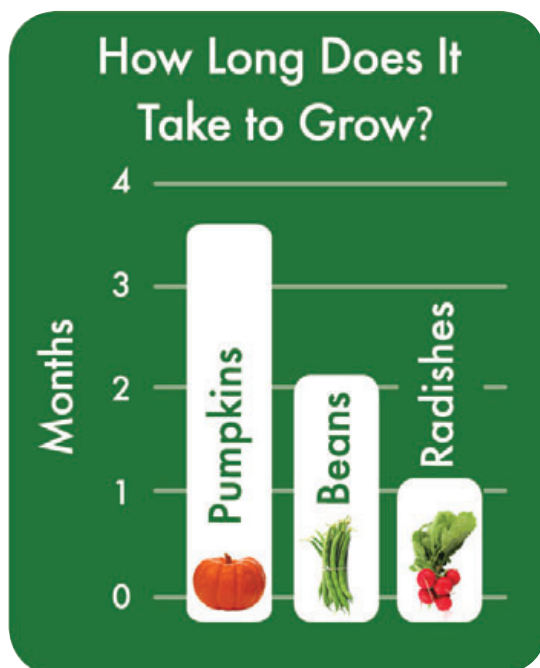


Gardens can be big. They can also fit in a small pot. Some gardens are in dry places. Other gardens are near water. Gardens are everywhere!



Food Gardens

People get food from gardens. They grow fruits. They grow vegetables. Apples grow in cool places. Bananas grow in warm places.



A group of children and adults are gathered in a garden. A man in a white shirt is kneeling and talking to the children, who are wearing yellow shirts. They are in a garden with many small plants and a large tree in the background.



City Gardens

Some city homes have small yards. This does not stop people from planting. People plant gardens on roofs. Some people use pots.





Some city people share a big garden. Each family gets one piece of land. It is a fun way to make new friends.

Some cities have gardens for everyone. People go there for fun. Some gardens have swan boats.



Formal Gardens

Around the world, you can find **formal** gardens.

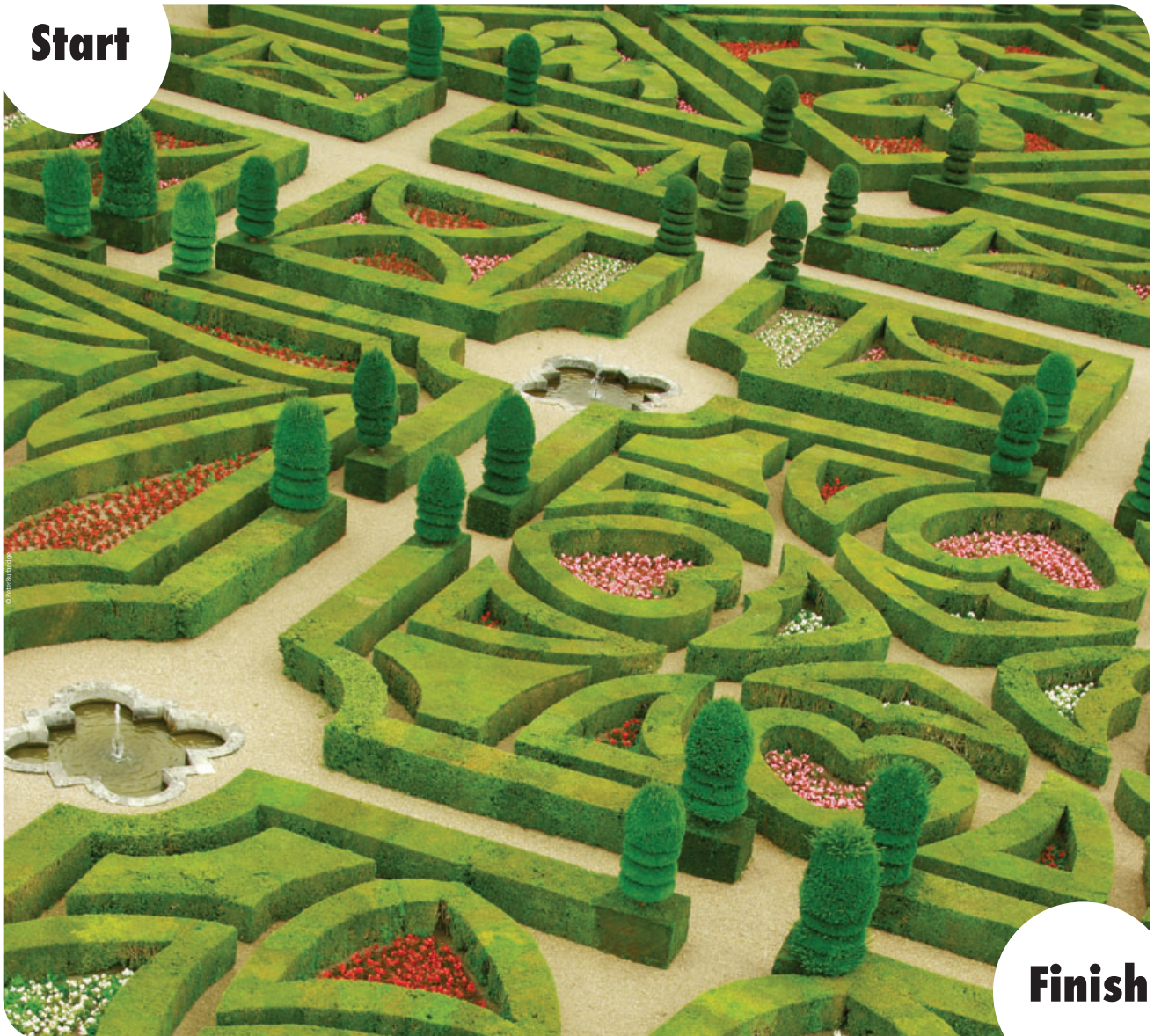
Formal gardens are fancy. Gardeners keep plants neat and healthy.

Gardeners cut plants into shapes. Some plants look like animals. Others look like people.



Some gardens look like a **maze**. Mazes have a start and an end. They also have twists and turns.

Start



Finish

Use your finger to find your way through the maze.



There are many formal gardens in France. Kings built many of them. Other countries have formal gardens, too. They are beautiful to see.



Japanese Gardens

In Japan, gardens have a different look. They have sand and pine trees. They also have small trees called bonsai trees.

Japanese gardens have ponds and rocks. They have bridges, too.





Animals in Gardens

Animals need gardens, too. Butterflies get food from flowers. Butterflies are helpful, too. They help new flowers grow.



What Do Caterpillars Eat?



**Monarch
Butterfly**
Milkweed



**Painted
Lady
Butterfly**
White clover



**Tiger
Swallowtail
Butterfly**
Willow tree



Butterflies start out as **caterpillars**.

They eat plants, too. Healthy caterpillars turn into healthy butterflies. Butterfly gardens are beautiful.



People grow hummingbird gardens, too.

Hummingbirds are like butterflies. Both animals drink food from flowers. Hummingbirds are tiny.

They have long beaks. They can reach into a flower.

What kind of garden will you grow?





Glossary

caterpillar: a worm that turns into a butterfly

formal: fancy and carefully planned

maze: a twisty puzzle with one way out

victory: a win

Read More About Gardens

Pumpkin Circle: The Book of a Garden

by George Levenson

Zinnia's Flower Garden by Monica Wellington

Mortimer's First Garden by Karma Wilson