



Let's be creative and make some *Seed Creatures*.



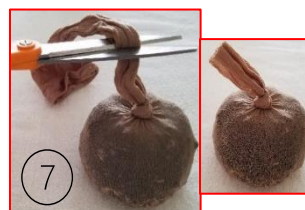
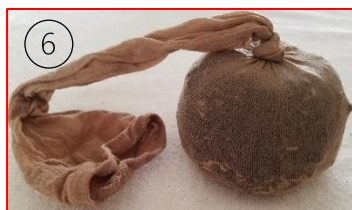
Materials:

- Yogurt cup or small bowl
- Nylon stocking, knee-high or ankle high ones are great (best without toe reinforcement)
- 1 tablespoon grass seed
- 1 cup of potting mix (**not** soil from outside)
- Spoon
- Small rubber bands or thin string or thread
- Gogly eyes ● ● or white fabric circles with permanent marker dots for eyes.
- Glue gun or white glue
- Rocks
- Shallow dish of water
- Watering can or cup with a spout



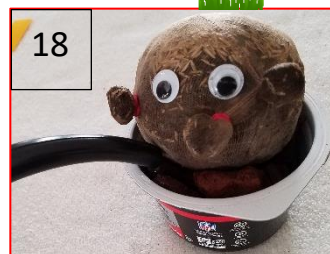
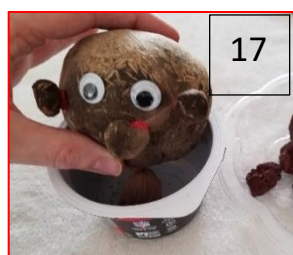
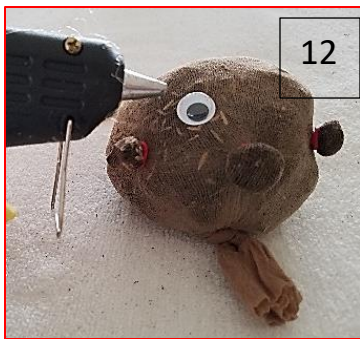
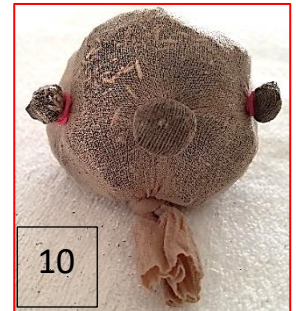
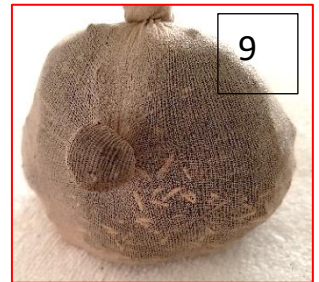
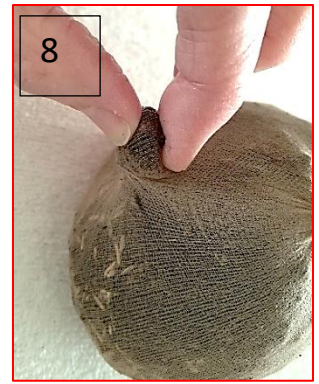
Directions:

1. Put toe of stocking inside yogurt cup and stretch the stocking's top around the cup's top. The toe will be the top of the "head."
2. Pour in the grass seed. Tap the cup gently on the table to get seed into the toe.
3. Add soil one spoon at a time, tapping the cup down as you go.
4. Once done spooning, lightly pat the soil down.
5. Remove the stocking from the cup and GENTLY shake it into a ball shape.
6. Tie a knot or tie with string, as close to the ball and as tightly as possible.
7. Snip off the stocking "tail" to about 2 inches.




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8. With the “tail” pointing up and seed “head” on a table. Find the half-way point between tail and head. Pinch a small clump of soil between the tail and head, then twist until you have a little ball.
9. With some help, tie some thread or wrap a tiny rubber band around the twisted part, and let go—a nice NOSE.
10. If you want, you can do the same thing for two ears.
11. Now, with the “tail” on the table and the seed head facing up, decide on a good place to put **one** googly eye. It should be above and a little to the left or right of the nose.
12. Put a little dot of **glue on the back of a googly eye**, then press it into place. Hold it there while you count to 20. If you are using a glue gun, ask an ADULT to help.
13. Do the same with the second eye.
14. Wait about 10 minutes to be sure the glue has dried on both eyes.
15. Once glue is dry, roll the entire creature in the shallow bowl of water, soaking it completely. Let it rest in the bowl while you complete a few more steps
16. While your creature is soaking, fill the bottom of your yogurt cup with rocks. They make it so you can see your creature better as you wait for its “hair” to grow.
17. Once the rocks are in place, put your creature’s “tail” in between the rocks, and sit the creature on top of them.
18. Fill the yogurt cup with water until the water touches the bottom of the creature.
19. Place your creature in a warm place near a bright light or on a windowsill. Then **WAIT**.
20. Check the water level in the cup every day. Keep it filled so it touches the creature.
21. Water the top of the creature’s head too. Keep it moist. “Hair” will appear in about a week.
22. Once “hair” gets long, cut and style it however, and how often you like.



After hair has grown for a month, lift up the creature to see what the roots are doing. After a while more, you MIGHT be able to lift up the creature with rocks attached! Why?