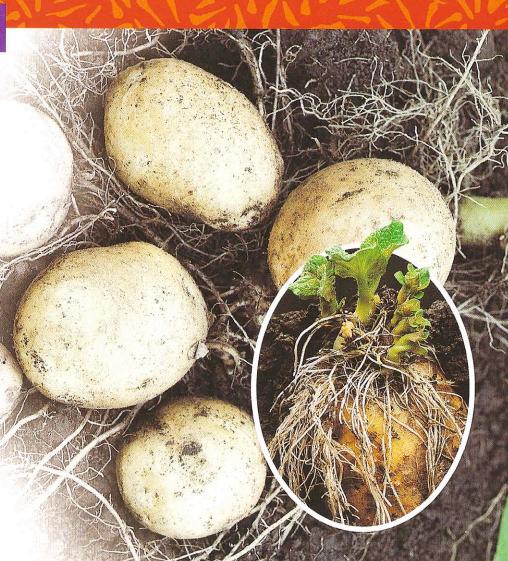




A potato! A potato's eyes are actually buds.
With water and sunlight, these buds will sprout and grow into stems and leaves.

Some of the stems grow underground with the roots. They are called "tubers."
Tubers grow big and round—until we eat them!



Does this animal have a bad case of warts? These aren't warts. They are bumps on the rough skin of an animal that hops.



Toads eat insects that want to eat your garden. One toad can eat 10,000 insects in a summer. That's why we should be friendly to toads!



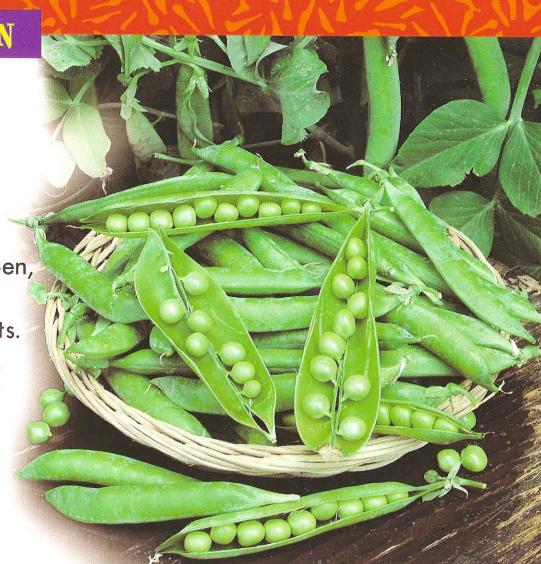


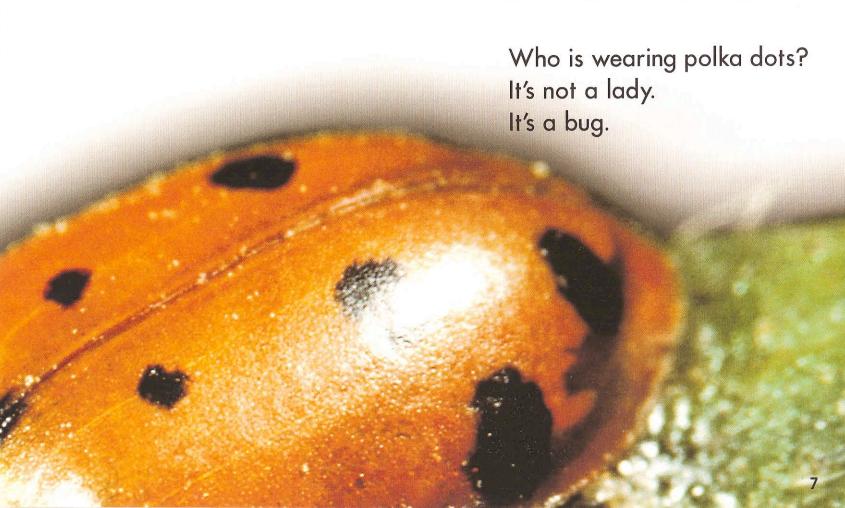


If you get close enough, it looks like a big green balloon. It's green, but it is not big! It's a green vegetable as small as a . . .

... pea. The little round peas you eat are seeds. Peas come in long fruits called "pods."

When pea pods split open, the seeds come out and grow into new plants. But if you eat them first, they will help you grow!





Ladybugs are beetles. Beetles have hard wing cases to protect their wings. The colorful wing cases warn birds that ladybugs taste terrible. Usually birds leave them alone.



Whose tiny seeds are these?

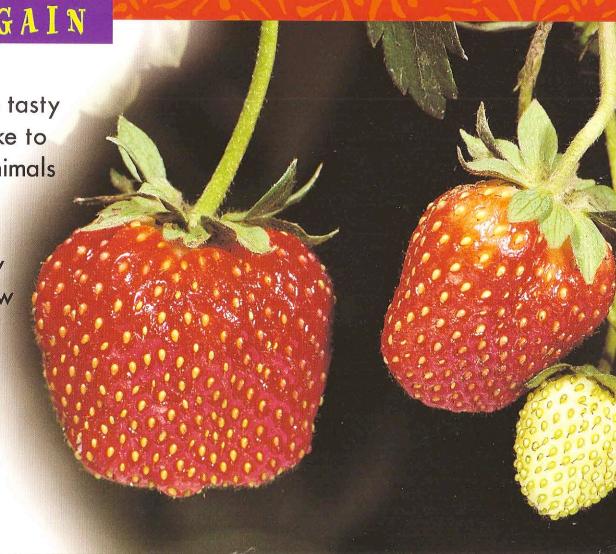
If you touch this bright red fruit, it feels a little rough.

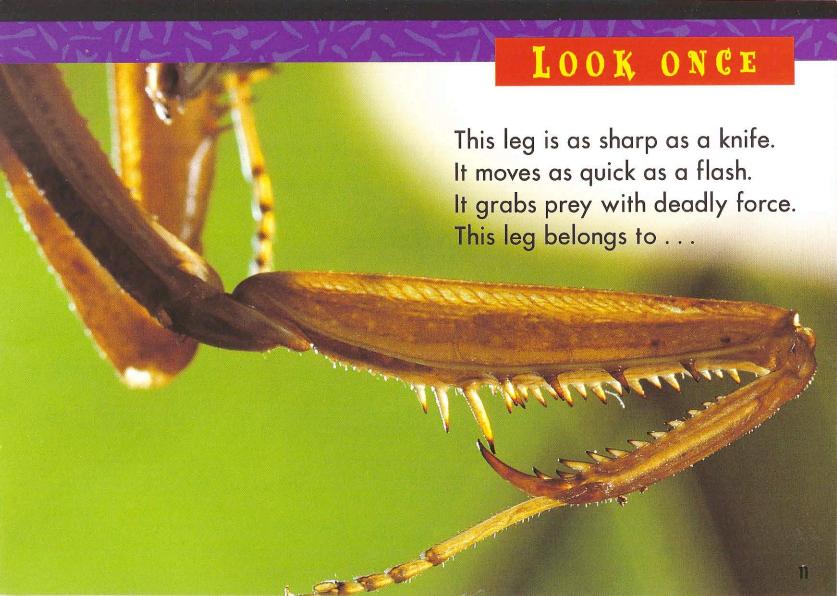
But it tastes smooth and sweet when you eat it.





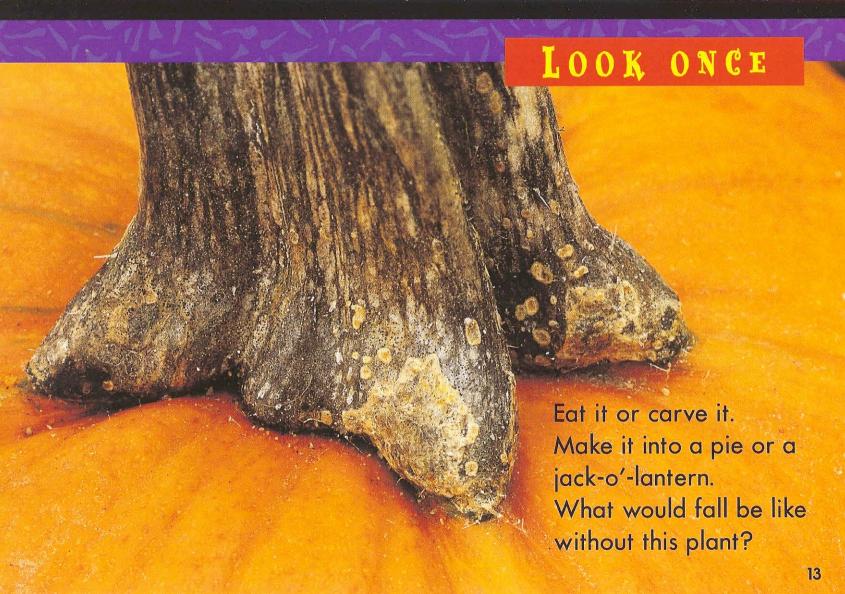
Strawberries are tasty treats. Animals like to eat them, too. Animals eat strawberries and spread their seeds. This is how strawberries grow in new places.





... a praying mantis. The praying mantis is not really praying. It is preying! The praying mantis eats many small insects in the garden. In some places, it is against the law to kill a praying mantis.



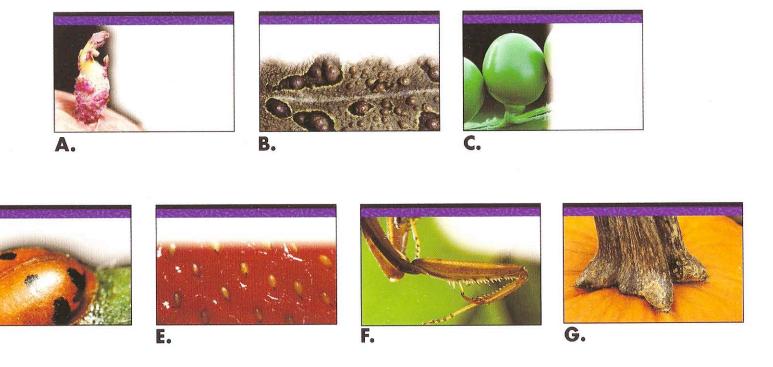




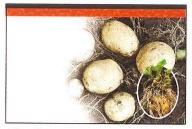
Inside this pumpkin you will find many seeds. The seeds grow into new pumpkins.

Some pumpkins can grow to be more than 500 pounds!

On Halloween,
we carve pumpkins
into jack-o'-lanterns.
On Thanksgiving,
we bake them into pies.
Some people eat the
seeds. They make a
healthy, crunchy snack.



Look closely. Can you name these plants and animals?



A. Potato



B. Toad



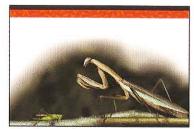
C. Peas



D. Ladybug



E. Strawberry



F. Praying mantis



G. Pumpkin

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