

# Individually write instructions for planting poppy seeds challenge teacher's notes.



## Introduction

Before the children are involved in the following activities, they should share and discuss their knowledge of the poppy. Along with children's prior knowledge the following should be discussed:

- It is a flower which grows wild outside.
- It grows from a seed and produces a red flower.
- It is used to remember people who have been in war or conflicts.
- Plastic replicas are sold in November to raise money for ex-service personnel and their families.
- It became a symbol for wars after it grew in a place called Flanders Fields in Belgium and France once a war had finished.
- It symbolises new life.

## Write instructions for planting poppy seeds challenge.

Discuss what instructions are used for and where they have seen instructions before. Have a variety of instructions to show the children including baking a cake, road directions, planting a plant and so on. Then recap with children what they did when they planted their poppy seed and write notes on the interactive whiteboard as prompts for the children.

The children will then individually write instructions for growing a poppy seed and then transfer onto the poppy seed packet then adding illustrations (poppy seeds resource P19).

## The Big Question

What is the significance of the poppy?

### Level

First

### Experiences and Outcomes

I develop and extend my literacy skills when I have opportunities to communicate, collaborate and build relationships.

#### LIT OA

When I engage with others, I know when and how to listen, when to talk, how much to say, when to ask questions and how to respond with respect.

#### LIT 1-02a

I can communicate clearly when engaging with others within and beyond my place of learning, using selected resources<sup>1</sup> as required.

#### LIT 1-10a

I can convey information, describe events or processes, share my opinions or persuade my reader in different ways.

#### LIT 1-28a / LIT 1-29a

Learning in the sciences will enable me to:

develop curiosity and understanding of the environment and my place in the living, material and physical world

develop the skills of scientific inquiry and investigation using practical techniques

#### SCN OA

I can help to design experiments to find out what plants need in order to grow and develop. I can observe and record my findings and from what I have learned I can grow healthy plants in school.

#### SCN 1-03a

I have the opportunity to choose and explore a range of media and technologies to create images and objects, discovering their effects and suitability for specific tasks.

#### EXA 1-02a

### **Additional Resources**

Individually write instructions for planting poppy seeds challenge.

Poppy seeds resource P19.

Poppy seeds can be ordered from the Poppyscotland Education website.

[www.poppyscotland.org.uk/education](http://www.poppyscotland.org.uk/education)