

TOPICS	Propagating Plants		KEY STAGE	2	Date	08/10
LINKS	NATIONAL CUR.	SCIENCE Sc2 3A,B,C,D				
	QCA	SCIENCE 2B PLANTS AND ANIMALS, 3B HELPING PLANTS GROW, 5B LIFE CYCLES				Page 1 of 1

Learning objectives	Structure	Plenary
To learn how light, air,	Introduction	What is propagation?
temperature and water affect plant growth.	We discuss parts of a plant and how different parts can grow into complete plants given the right treatment or conditions.	Name four ways you can propagate plants.
To understand that the	What is propagation and why is it important?	
emerging roots will hold the young plant in the soil and	We discuss the different ways in which it happens naturally.	Resources:
supply it with water and		• Pots
nutrients for further growth.	Activity 1	Compost
To understand how seeds	In the garden we look around to find plants which seed themselves, layer themselves, spread sideways.	Labels
germinate (Sc2 3a,b,c,d)		• Seeds
A	Activity 2	Plants: grasses for
Assessment questions	In the nursery, we look at the different ways in which our gardeners propagate	splitting, Streptocarpus
How does a plant spread itself naturally ?	plants, using cuttings, seeds, layering, propagation benches, mist benches, etc.	for leaf cuttings, thyme and sage for cuttings
	Activity 3	Carry trays
	Back in the classroom, the children learn how to sow seeds, take cuttings, split large plants and layer. Each children will take away four pots of propagated plants and the skills to continue in their school and family gardens.	Aftercare instructions
	Key vocabulary:	
	Propagation, seed, cutting, layering, spreading, sowing	