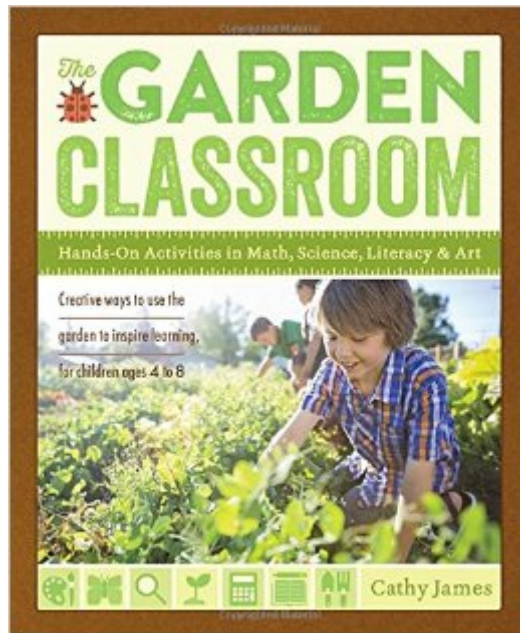


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# The Garden Classroom: Hands-On Activities In Math, Science, Literacy, And Art



## Synopsis

Creative ways to use the garden to inspire learning, for kids ages 4-8 Packed with garden-based activities that promote science, math, reading, writing, imaginative play, and arts and crafts, The Garden Classroom offers a whole year of outdoor play and learning ideas "however big or small your garden. Every garden offers children a rich, sensory playground, full of interesting things to discover and learn about. There's a whole lot of science happening right before their eyes. The garden can also be a place to develop math and literacy skills, as the outdoors offers up plenty of invitations to weave learning into everyday gardening. The garden classroom is a place where plants grow, and where children grow too.

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## Customer Reviews

I purchased this book based on the description. I was looking for a book with applicable projects to engage kids in gardening. Something that allows them to be hands on and learn at the same time. I didn't get that in this book. This book has projects, but I would argue how relevant they are to the actual gardening and growing process. It starts off with good gardening basics. By the middle of the book, it starts to go off the rails. Projects move away from actual gardening to building forts, making playdough, snail racing, and making a gnome mailbox. If you are looking for actual gardening projects, I would go with "Gardening Projects for Kids." It keeps the focus on the garden. I would also recommend "Gardening Lab for Kids." I can't agree with the description of this book. I think this book is more about outside arts and crafts. Gardening is just thrown in here and there.

I love this book! While classroom is in the title, and it would certainly be perfect for any school, the gardening information and the activities are perfect for families and backyards, too. The book is about gardening and all that you can learn from gardens, plants, and the cycles of nature. As it says on the cover, it is filled with creative ways to use the garden to inspire learning. • The Garden Classroom is not just about how to plant seeds and grow things, but also includes lots of interesting nature-based activities in the chapters on play & imagination, math & science, reading & writing, arts & crafts, and garden recipes.

We love this book! I plan on incorporating it into my daughters homeschool science curriculum. She is starting Kindergarten this August. We're very excited to learn from many of these fun, easy to put together projects.

This is a great resource for parents who are looking for ways to make learning FUN. What I love about The Garden Classroom is that the book is full of projects and crafts that serve an educational purpose. The book is filled with hands-on activities in math, science, and literacy. It is a must-have spring book for planning summer break. These activities are a great way to keep your kids learning over summer vacation. Thank you to Roost Books for sending me an advance copy of the book to review on my blog. I am so thankful to have this resource on my bookshelf.

Great book to teach kids about gardening. A great experience for all children to learn how to grow their own food. Most kids will eat veggies that they grow themselves. We homeschool and it was a great project for us .

The Garden Classroom is a definitely unique book. I love this book. It helps educators (public, private or homeschool) teach science, math, reading, writing, imaginative play, arts and crafts. It almost makes me wish it were spring so we could plant something outside. But there are ideas for even growing things inside. A cake pan will hold dirt and grass seed so you can grow turf to attract roaming toy dinosaurs or picnicking dolls. There are ideas for big outside gardens and teaching how to label plants or rows, or small container gardens on a porch or in your windowsill. It teaches art and recycling by encouraging children to decorate discarded tin cans or toilet paper rolls to plant in. The Garden Classroom also includes crafts out of dried flowers and colorful autumn leaves. This is a wonderful book, across the board curriculum for young children. I highly recommend this for all

teachers.

Cathy understands how children learn and she obviously used this knowledge when she created the activities in this book. The activities are developmentally appropriate, give children an opportunity to explore and develop their own curiosity, and easy enough for any parent to tackle. Great book for anyone who wants to connect with their kids, feel like they are doing something valuable and educational, and don't mind a little dirt under their finger nails.

My family is big on arts and crafts, but I don't have much of a green thumb and our garden can be overlooked as a source of creative inspiration. I love how this book introduces some basics for wobbly parents like me, while making the garden fun for kids through math, science, art, and reading projects. With summer right around the corner, this book is certain to help us embrace the bounty of our outdoor space.

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