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To grow a sunflower, we first need to put *soil into a *pot. Put a *seed about one or two centimeters under the soil. Give a cup of water to the soil. With water and sunlight, the sunflower will start to grow in about one week.

The sunflower grows up out of the soil, and its *roots grow down. These roots get water and food from the soil. A single *stem grows higher and higher, and wide leaves grow out of the stem. Water and food go up through the roots, through the stem, and into the leaves.

Thirty days after the plant comes out of the ground, the flower of the sunflower plant begins to grow. The flower is round and *flat, with bright yellow *petals that grow around it. When *bees come to get *nectar from the flower, they bring *pollen with them from other flowers. With this pollen, new sunflower seeds can grow in the flat part of the flower.

Did you know that a sunflower always turns to the sun?

The sunflower, like all plants, uses sunlight in a special *way. The leaves of the sunflower get energy from sunlight for the plant. When leaves get this energy, they make *oxygen, too.

When the sunflower comes to the end of its life, the sunflower seeds *dry up. Some of them fall into the soil, and there they will grow into new sunflowers the next year. Birds eat some of the seeds. People take the sunflower seeds and eat them, too. The seeds also have sunflower oil in them and people use it for cooking.

Like all plants, the sunflower is very important for life on the earth. It is colorful and beautiful, and it gives oxygen and food to human and animals. We must remember to take care of the plants in our world because they take care of us!

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*注釈 soil：土 pot：植木鉢 seed(s)：種 root(s)：根 stem：茎 flat：平らな
petal(s)：花びら bee(s)：ミツバチ nectar：(花の)蜜 pollen：花粉 way：方法
oxygen：酸素 dry up：乾く

- 1 ひまわりは、種を植えた後、水だけで育ち始める。()
- 2 ひまわりは、その根、茎、葉から水と栄養を得る。()
- 3 ひまわりの花は平たく黄色い。その花びらをハチが取り去ってしまう。()
- 4 ひまわりの葉は、日光からエネルギーを得て、酸素を作り出しもする。()
- 5 人はひまわりの種から油を取り、料理に使う。()