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Growing plants in a garden can be so much fun. It can also be hard work! Plants need water to grow. So if you want to be a gardener, you must make sure to water plants properly.

The weather is different every day. Sometimes the rain will drench the garden with water. And sometimes the rain doesn't fall for days or weeks at a time.

Most gardens do best with at least an inch of water per week. Keep watch on the weather. If there is not much rain for a few days, then you should water the garden yourself.

It is best to water the garden slowly. Make sure each plant is watered. And make sure the soil is very moist. This will help the roots of the plant to grow deep into the soil.

Do you know what type of soil is in your garden? If you have clay soil, it will hold water much better than sandy soil. Sandy soil dries out quickly and will need more frequent watering.

It is best to water the garden early in the day. Plants should be dry before the sun goes down each day. This will help keep the plants healthy.

It is a good idea to put mulch in your garden. Spreading mulch over the soil can help keep the soil moist. Then you won't need to water the garden as frequently.



You can use different things to water the garden. You can fill a pitcher full of water and pour it on the garden. Or you can use a hose or a sprinkler. Each will work if you do your best to cover the whole garden with water.