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Dave's Beans

by Lois Sepahban

Dave's mom made bean soup. She gave him three black beans.

"Let's watch them grow," said Dave.

"Beans need sun and water to grow," said Dave's mom. She gave him a jar.

First, Dave put a napkin in the jar. Next, he put some water on the napkin. Then, he put the beans on the napkin. Last, he put the lid on the jar.

Dave set the jar near a window. The sun warmed the jar. The sun warmed the beans. In two days, Dave saw tiny white shoots.

"The beans sprouted," he said.

"The shoots will be the beans' roots," said Dave's mom.

The shoots grew long and green.

"I gave the plants what they need," said Dave.



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