

ELINOR WONDERS WHY

EW 165: UNDERGROUND SOUP

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Olive and Ari's Question: Where do carrots grow?

Logline: Elinor's in bed with a case of the sniffles, so Olive and Ari decide to make some soup to help her feel better, but they can't find the carrots.

CURRICULUM GOALS

LS8. Begin to understand that there are many different kinds of living things and how they may be the same or different:

a. Observe and describe similarities and differences across different types of plants.

c. Group different kinds of living things into categories based on basic similarities and differences

(Olive and Ari learn there are many different kinds of veggies that grow in different ways, then they group together root vegetables, where the edible parts grow underground).

SEP2. Developing and using models

a. Represent observable, concrete objects, events, and findings in many different ways

b. Distinguish between a model and the actual object, process, and/or events it represents

c. Use simple models to support explanations

(Ari and Olive draw pictures of the veggies they hope to harvest, and then compare their models to the actual veggies.)

SEP3. Planning and carrying out investigations

a. Identify and use a greater variety of tools to extend the senses for observing, measuring, and recording data about objects and events

b. Compare and contrast objects and events by describing similarities and differences in detail

(Olive and Ari use Olive's notebook to record information and compare and contrast their pictures to the pictures of the veggies.)

SEP8. Obtaining, evaluating and communicating information

c. Describe observable phenomena using adjectives and labels

d. Use basic science and engineering practice vocabulary when engaged in investigations

e. Use basic science and engineering content vocabulary when investigating and describing observable phenomena

f. Share findings and explanations (correct or incorrect) through a variety of methods (Olive and Ari use basic science vocabulary when describing the veggies, and they share what they discovered with Mr. Rabbit.

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1. EXT. ELINOR'S HOUSE - DAY

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Olive and Ari arrive at Elinor's house, playfully <SFX: GIGGLING> ready for a great play day, Ari <SFX: KNOCKS> and Mr. Rabbit opens the door.

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1	ARI	1	
	Hi, Mister Rabbit. Can Elinor come out and play?		
2	MR. RABBIT	2	
	Sorry, kids. Elinor can't play outside today, she's in bed with a case of the sniffles.		
3	OLIVE	3	
	(with concern)		
	Oh, no! She has a cold? Can we visit her?		*
4	ARI	4	
	Yeah, if she's feeling sick, maybe we can cheer her up.		
5	MR. RABBIT	5	
	That's a really nice idea, kids, but I don't want you to get too close. You might catch Elinor's sniffles.		
6	ARI	6	*
	We'll be careful.		*
7	OLIVE	7	
	We'll stay by the door.		*
8	MR. RABBIT	8	
	That should work, and she'd be so glad to see you. C'mon, then.		*

Off they go.

2. INT. ELINOR'S ROOM - DAY

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The kids stay by the door as Mr. Rabbit enters and sits on Elinor's bed.

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9	MR. RABBIT	9	*
	Hey, hunny bunny. You have some visitors.		*
			*
	Olive and Ari stay by the door poking their noses in.		*

10	OLIVE	10	*
	Hi, Elinor...		*
11	ARI	11	*
	How are you feeling? Are you sniffly?		
12	ELINOR	12	*
	(stuffed up nose) Yup, I'm pretty sniffly, and AH- CHOOO!...sneezy too.		
(NOTE: Elinor sneezes cute little bunny sneezes, and practices good preschool "sneeze etiquette," sneezing into her elbow each time. Also, if it works as a gag, perhaps Olive and Ari duck their heads or back up a little each time she sneezes, or just as she's ah-ah-ah-ing.)			
DIALOGUE NOTE: Elinor should sound like she has a bit of a cold, but she's not too sick, all through this Episode.			
13	MR. RABBIT	13	
	Not to worry, kids, Elinor will be better soon, she just needs to... (<AH-CHOO!> Elinor sneezes again, the kids back up. Mr. Rabbit finishes his sentence) ...rest.		
14	ARI	14	
	Oh, and drink lots of water!		
<A-CHOO!> Elinor sneezes again.			
15	OLIVE	15	
	And stories! Stories always make me feel better when I'm... (<A-CHOO!> Elinor sneezes again.) ..sniffly.		
16	ELINOR	16	
	Oooh, stories. That sounds good.		
17	MR. RABBIT	17	
	You're right. There's nothing better for a case of the sniffles than some good stories. Luckily Elinor has her own official story- book reader.		

18 ARI 18
 (impressed)
 She DOES? Now THAT is cool!

THOUGHT BUBBLE: Ari imagines a robot reading to Elinor. *

19 OLIVE 19
 (smiling)
 I think Mr. Rabbit is saying he's *
 the story-book reader. *

20 MR. RABBIT 20
 Yep, that's me! And I'll be back *
 in a sec to perform my official *
 story-reading duties. Just let me *
 show your visitors out. *

21 ELINOR 21
 Okay Daddy. Adventure stories
 please!

22 ARI 22
 Bye, Elinor.

23 OLIVE 23
 Get better soon.

Elinor snuggles into her blanket. <A-CHOO!> *

3. INT. KITCHEN -- DAY *

The kids and Mr. Rabbit enter the kitchen (on the way to the *
door). *

24 OLIVE 24
 I wish we could do something for
 Elinor to help her feel better.

25 ARI 25
 Hmmm, sometimes when I'm sick my
 mom makes me soup.

26 MR. RABBIT 26
 Actually I was planning on making
 Elinor a batch of her favourite -
 Backyard Soup.

27 OLIVE 27
 Backyard soup? What's Backyard
 Soup?

28	ARI	28	
	Backyard Soup is yummiest soup		
	ever, I had some with Elinor and		*
	her parents once. They make it		
	with all the veggies they grow in		*
	the back yard.		
29	OLIVE	29	
	Really? That sounds soooo		
	delicious. Can we help make it,		*
	Mr. Rabbit?		
30	MR. RABBIT	30	
	You sure can, Olive. Follow me.		

4. EXT. ELINOR'S GARDEN (SIDE OF THE HOUSE) - DAY

The kids follow Mr. Rabbit to the veggie garden.

31	ARI	31	
	Okay, first thing we need for		
	Backyard Soup is backyard veggies!		
	He gestures. ANGLE ON: The verdant veggie garden - yum!		
32	OLIVE	32	
	But which ones should we pick?		
33	MR. RABBIT	33	
	Well, let's see. Tomatoes, beans,		*
	radishes and carrots for a start.		*
34	ARI	34	
	Whoa that's a LOTTA veggies. How		
	are we gonna remember all those?		
35	OLIVE	35	
	I'd better make a list.		
	(Olive takes out her		
	notebook.)		
	First we need round, red tomatoes.		
	ANGLE ON: Olive draws tomatoes.		
36	ARI	36	
	Then some long skinny green beans.		
	I love those.		
	ANGLE ON: Olive draws long, skinny green beans.		
37	MR. RABBIT	37	
	Also some radishes.		*

38 OLIVE 38
 Those are purple.

She draws purple beets with green tops.

39 MR. RABBIT 39
 Okay I think that's it for now.

40 ARI 40
 Uhh, Mr. Rabbit, aren't you
 forgetting something...?

41 OLIVE 41
 Elinor's FAVOURITE...

42 MR. RABBIT 42
 CARROTS! I almost forgot. Good
 thing I've got you kids around to
 help me out. So, can you gather *
 the veggies from the garden while I *
 go and check on Elinor? *

Olive draws orange carrots with abundant green leafy tops.

43 OLIVE 43
 Sure thing, Mr. Rabbit, we're good *
 helpers.

44 ARI 44
 It's kind of our thing. Let's go
 get those veggies.

Olive waves her notebook as they head deeper into the garden *
and Mr. Rabbit heads to back into the house. *

5. INT. ELINOR'S ROOM - DAY

Dad enters with Elinor's favourite adventure book and a glass
of water.

45 MR. RABBIT 45
 Ready for a story, hunny bunny?

46 ELINOR 46
 Yes, please, official story-book
 reader. An ADVENTURE story.

47 MR. RABBIT 47
 Ah, yes. An ADVENTURE story.
 (he opens the books and
 reads)
 (MORE)

MR. RABBIT (CONT'D)

It was a beautiful day for an
adventure and our Fearless
Explorer...

Elinor interrupts with a sniffle.

48	ELINOR	48
	Not just any Explorer Daddy, Explorer...Ah-ah-ah-chooo.	

Elinor sneezes into her sleeve. Dad hands her a tissue.

49	MR. RABBIT	49
	Riiiiight. Explorer Achooo!	

50	ELINOR	50
	(laughing)	
	Nooooooooo. Not Explorer Achoo, Explorer ELINOR.	

51	MR. RABBIT	51
	Of course, my mistake, Explorer ELINOR was just getting ready for her next adventure. She wasn't sure where she was going to go, but she knew it was going to be...	

52	ELINOR	52	*
	...an ADVENTURE!		

6. EXT. BACK YARD -- DAY

In the back yard Olive and Ari search the garden.

53	OLIVE	53
	Okay, first thing - round red tomatoes.	

54	ARI	54	*
	Tomatoes, tomatoes, tomatoes - oh, there they are! Up on those plants.		

	ANGLE ON: Plump red tomatoes high up on a staked tomato plant.	*
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55	OLIVE	55
	Wow! The tomatoes are so big the plants need to be held up by sticks.	

Ari adds them to the basket.

56	OLIVE (CONT'D)	56	
	That was easy. Next veggie, beans.		*
57	ARI	57	
	Not just any beans, long green yummy beans. (calling)		
	Beans! Beans! Where are you beans?		
58	OLIVE	58	
	Oh, I see them. Growing on the middle of those vines.		* *
ANGLE ON: The beans vines climbing poles.			
59	ARI	59	
	Look at that. Vines like to climb poles.		*
Olive checks beans off her list.			*
60	OLIVE	60	
	We already found two of the veggies. We'll be done in no time.		* * *

7. INT. ELINOR'S ROOM - DAY

Dad is reading to Elinor as she snuggles in bed.

61	MR. RABBIT	61	
	Explorer Elinor was having the best adventure EVER. First she climbed a mountain.		* *
62	ELINOR	62	
	A mountain? Was it very high?		* *
THOUGHT BUBBLE - Elinor climbing a mountain that gets higher and higher..			* *
63	MR. RABBIT	63	
	The highest mountain ever! Then she swam down to the bottom of the ocean.		* * * *
THOUGHT BUBBLE - Elinor swimming down to the bottom of the ocean.			* *
64	ELINOR	64	
	A deep ocean?		* *

65	MR. RABBIT	65	*
	The deepest. Then she swung		*
	sideways through the jungle on a		*
	vine.		*
	THOUGHT BUBBLE - Elinor swings through the jungle, as we pan		*
	down.		*
66	ELINOR	66	*
	Wheeeeeeeee!! That IS an amazing		*
	adventure, official storybook		
	reader.		*
67	MR. RABBIT	67	
	Glad you like it, Explorer Elinor.		

8. EXT. ELINOR'S BACK YARD - DAY

Ari and Olive are almost finished their list, they have gathered all the veggies except for the carrots.

68	OLIVE	68	
	Okay, we've almost finished our		
	list...all we need are radishes...		*
69	ARI	69	
	...and carrots! You can't forget		
	carrots!		
70	OLIVE	70	
	Right, radishes and carrots. Well,		*
	those should be easy to find		
	because the radishes are purple and		*
	the carrots are orange.		
71	ARI	71	
	Yep, they should be pretty easy to		
	spot in all these green leaves.		*
	Let's see...orange carrots.. Orange,		*
	orange, orange... Huh. I don't see		*
	any orange veggies.		*
	Then Olive tries looking for the radishes.		
72	OLIVE	72	*
	Let's try purple radishes.		*
	Purple, purple, purple...I don't		*
	see any purple radishes either.		*
	Where are they?		*

9. INT. ELINOR'S ROOM - DAY

Mister Rabbit is in mid-sentence.

73	MR. RABBIT	73
	...finally Explorer Elinor was happy to be back in her nice comfy bed, the end. (He hears a little <SFX: SNOORE> and looks over to see that Elinor has dozed off. He gives his daughter a little kiss on the forehead.) Have a good rest, hunny bunny.	

He tiptoes out.

10. EXT. ELINOR'S GARDEN -- DAY

Ari is looking around, as Olive checks the "harvesting list" one more time and notices something they'd forgotten.

74	ARI	74	
	No carrots or radishes? But Mr. Rabbtit said we needed them for the soup so they must be around here somewhere. Hmmm. What would Elinor do?		* * * * *
75	OLIVE	75	
	She'd say, we need more observations! Let's look more closely at our list. (Olive looks) Wait a minute, Ari, look at this.		* * * * *
	ANGLE ON: The drawing of the carrot in Olive's notebook.		*
76	ARI	76	
	It's a great drawing, Olive, but we need <i>real</i> carrots for the soup.		
77	OLIVE	77	
	I know, but see. The carrot isn't just the orange pointy part, it has these fuzzy green leaves at the end.		*
78	ARI	78	
	Hmmm. I do remember seeing that green stuff on carrots my mom buys - kinda like that...		

Ari points. ANGLE ON: Carrot greens. Olive runs over and checks them out.

79 OLIVE 79
This is it, Ari. These leaves look
like my drawing - green and fuzzy,
but where is the pointy orange
carrot part? *

Ari looks down really low.

80 ARI 80
Hey Olive, check this out! *

ANGLE ON: Ari notices a tiny spot of orange poking out of the earth - he moves the dirt away. *

81 OLIVE 81
Wow, it sure looks like the top of
an orange carrot, but it's buried
underground. *

82 ARI 82
Maybe it's the same thing with the
radishes. *

Olive sees a radish plant close by. *

83 OLIVE 83
Those look like radish leaves.
(Olive brushes the dirt
away)
And that looks like a radish.
Should we dig it up? *

Ari shrugs. The kids are considering what to do when Mr. Rabbit shows up. *

84 MR. RABBIT 84
Hey kids, Elinor's asleep so I
thought I'd come out here and give
you a...
(noticing)
...what are you looking at?

Mr. Rabbit gets down and joins them on the ground.

85 OLIVE 85
Veggies. *

86 ARI 86
We THINK it's THIS is a carrot. *

Ari points to the carrot. *

87	MR. RABBIT	87	
	What makes you think that?		
88	OLIVE	88	
	Well it has the same green fuzzy leaves as my carrot drawing.		
89	ARI	89	
	And when we looked closer we saw this orange part.		
90	MR. RABBIT	90	
	Great investigating kids. You're right -- it IS a carrot!		
91	ARI	91	
	I KNEW it!		
92	OLIVE	92	
	But what's a carrot doing in the ground?		
93	MR. RABBIT	93	
	Carrots aren't like tomatoes and beans, Olive. The yummy part of a carrot grows underground.		
94	ARI	94	*
	Really?		
95	OLIVE/ARI	95	*
	That is soo interesting.		*
	They both <SFX: LAUGH>		*
96	ARI	96	*
	But...how do you get a carrot OUT of the ground.		*
97	MR. RABBIT	97	*
	You just give the stem a pull. Go ahead.		
	Ari and Olive each pull a carrot OUT of the ground, falling over backwards as they do.		*
98	OLIVE	98	
	WOW!		
99	ARI	99	
	We pulled it right out!		

100 MR. RABBIT 100
See? The yummy eating part you eat
is actually the root of the carrot
plant. That's why carrots are
called root vegetables. *

CLOSE ON: the carrot.

101 OLIVE 101
Root vegetables. I LIKE those
words.

102 ARI 102 *
I guess radishes are root *
vegetables too.

He points to the radishes. *

103 MR. RABBIT 103 *
They sure are. And so are turnips, *
beets and potatoes, and we have *
them all -- ready to dig up in the
garden.

104 ARI 104
Did you say dig?

105 OLIVE 105
Ari loves to dig.

106 ARI 106
I really do!

SONG MONTAGE

As they sing Ari and Olive look at drawings of the veggies' *
green leafy parts (carrots, radishes, turnips, potatoes) Then *
look for that in the garden. They have uncovered the process *
for finding root vegetables. Maybe Olive draws a brown dirt *
line in her notebook. *

Then they dig up the veggies. *

107 OLIVE/ARI 107
OLIVE: Veggies are delicious,
Veggies are the best.
ARI: But did you know,
Some veggies grow,
Down deeper than the rest.

OLIVE: The yummy part of a tomato,
Grows out in the sun.
ARI: But the yummy part of a carrot
grows...
(MORE)

OLIVE/ARI (CONT'D)

Way down Underground.

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BOTH: Root veggies, root veggies,
We all love our root veggies,
Radishes and potatoes,
Carrots and turnips too,
Root veggies are so yummy,
And they make great soup for you!

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11. INT. ELINOR'S ROOM -- DAY

Later that afternoon, Elinor is awake. Mister Rabbit comes into her room and sits on her bed.

108	MR. RABBIT	108
	How are you feeling, honey bunny.	
	Elinor stretches and yawns.	
109	ELINOR	109
	A little better. Not so sniffly. And I'm not sneezing any more.	
110	MR. RABBIT	110
	Good. Ready for another adventure story?	
111	ELINOR	111
	Uh-huh.	
112	MR. RABBIT	112
	You're gonna like this one. It's about the time Explorer Elinor had to stay in bed because of her sniffles.	
113	ELINOR	113
	Ooooh, I know how she feels.	*
114	MR. RABBIT	114
	But it gets more exciting because her two friends Explorer Olive and Explorer Ari decide to do something to make her feel better.	
115	ELINOR	115
	Really?	
116	MR. RABBIT	116
	Yep, they go on an Exploring Adventure in the garden to find everything they need to make Explorer Elinor her favourite soup.	

THOUGHT BUBBLE Olive and Ari march out into the Garden. *

117 ELINOR 117
Backyard soup?

118 MR. RABBIT 118
Yep, but THIS time they decided to
use special veggies, ones where the
yummy part grows underground, like
radishes, beets, potatoes and
carrots. *

The THOUGHT BUBBLE shows the veggies growing underground,
then Olive and Ari pull them up. *

PAN DOWN to Elinor, now Ari and Olive are in the room. Ari
is holding a tray with a small bowl of soup, with Olive
gesturing beside him like Vanna White. *

119 ELINOR 119
Carrots? I LOVE carrots!

120 OLIVE 120 *
We know you do, but we couldn't
find them in the garden, until we
learned that carrots are root
veggies. *

121 ARI 121 *
And root veggies grow underground.
That's why we decided to call our
special soup.... *

122 OLIVE/ARI 122 *
UNDERGROUND SOUP

123 ELINOR 123
Really? You made Underground Soup
just for me? *

Ari hands the tray to Mr. Rabbit who gets Elinor set up. *

124 ARI 124
Yup!

125 OLIVE 125 *
We wanted to cheer you up, Explorer
Elinor.

126 ELINOR 126 *
Aww, thanks Explorers Olive and
Ari. *
 (Elinor takes a sip.) *
 <Slurrrrup>. *
 (MORE)

ELINOR (CONT'D)

Ah, now I really DO feel better.
Thanks to Explorers Ari and Olive.

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ARI

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(to Mr. Rabbit)
Told ya we were good helpers.

IRIS OUT, THE END.