

WAIT!  
ROCKS!

# OPHELIA'S LAST WORD

MOLLY IN "MOLLY AND THE NEW NEIGHBORS" (PAGE 15) CERTAINLY ADORES GARDENING! I HAVE A BIT OF A "GREEN THUMB" MYSELF (EVEN GREENER THAN THE REST OF ME!), WHICH MEANS I HAVE A GIFT FOR GROWING PLANTS. HOWEVER, MY MEMORY CAN BE FUZZY. I CAN'T ALWAYS REMEMBER WHICH VEGGIE OR FLOWER SEEDS I PLANTED AND WHERE I PLANTED THEM. HERE'S A FUN ACTIVITY TO CLEAR UP THE CONFUSION AND ADD A COLORFUL, CHEERFUL TOUCH TO YOUR PLANTING PATCH.

## WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

SMOOTH POTATO-SIZED ROCKS  
(THE FLATTER THE BETTER)

NEWSPAPERS

ACRYLIC  
PAINTS

PAINTBRUSH

CONTAINER OF  
TAP WATER

## WHAT TO DO:

WASH THE ROCKS AND LET  
THEM DRY COMPLETELY.

SPREAD ROCKS OUT ON NEWSPAPERS. PAINT A DIFFERENT VEGETABLE OR FLOWER ON EACH ROCK TO MATCH YOUR SEEDS OR PLANTS. BE SURE TO RINSE YOUR PAINTBRUSH BEFORE YOU USE ANOTHER COLOR.

LET PAINT DRY  
OVERNIGHT.

PLACE EACH ROCK NEAR THE AREA WHERE EACH  
VEGETABLE OR FLOWER HAS BEEN OR WILL BE  
PLANTED.

IF YOU DON'T HAVE AN OUTDOOR  
GARDEN, SET UP YOUR PAINTED  
GARDEN ON YOUR  
WINDOWSILL. HAPPY SPRING!

Love  
Ophelia