





Topic:	Year 3	Title:
Plants	Age 7-8	Plant 'slow reveal'
Working Scientifically Focus Do: making systematic and careful observations		Conceptual Knowledge Context identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers

Example of a strategy to encourage close observation

The plant is hidden from the children. Either ask a child to feel inside the box and describe to the rest of the class, or use a digital microscope/visualiser to show magnified images on the whiteboard. Encourage children to think about what it feels/looks like and deduce from its features what it is. An example of this on the website below is a Pitcher plant, which is shown, bit by bit, to encourage children to observe closely to identify what is hidden in the box.





For more details and a video example see: http://www.pstt.org.uk/ext/cpd/dramatic-science/on-the-table.html

Children meeting the objective would be able to describe and explain their observations.

Example from Dramatic Science project, Oxford Brookes University