

What Plants Need

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Fernando and Zoey go to a plant sale. They buy mint plants. They like the minty smell of the leaves. Fernando puts his plant near a sunny window. Zoey puts her plant in her bedroom. Fernando's plant looks green and healthy after a few days. But Zoey's plant has some brown leaves.

"Your plant needs more light," Fernando says.

Zoey moves her plant to a sunny window. Soon, both plants look green and healthy!

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1. What do Fernando and Zoey buy at the beginning of the passage?

- A. Mint plants
- B. iPods
- C. books about plants

2. At the beginning of the story, Fernando and Zoey buy mint plants. Then where does Fernando put his plant?

- A. near a sunny window
- B. in his bedroom
- C. outside

3. Zoey's plant needed more light. How do we know this?

- A. Zoey put her plant in her bedroom.
- B. Zoey goes to a plant sale.
- C. Zoey's plant had some brown leaves.

4. What is the big lesson in "What Plants Need"?

- A. Plants need water to live.
- B. Plants need light from the sun to live.
- C. Don't ever put a plant in your bedroom.

5. Where do Fernando and Zoey put their plants right after the plant sale?

6. What did you learn from "What Plants Need"?

7. Class Discussion Question: In the story, Zoey first puts her plant in her bedroom. Explain why this location was not a good choice.

8. Draw a picture of Fernando and Zoey's plants in their homes. Try to show how healthy each plant was after a few days.