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Make your own Wormery!

You will need:
 A large clear box
 Soil from the garden
 Sand
 Newspaper
 Tea towel
 Leaf litter from the garden and/or compost
 Worms!
 Kitchen waste—vegetable peelings, tea bags etc.
 Note: Do not put meat, lemon, lime or orange peel in your wormery.




1. Dampen some newspaper and line the bottom of your box with it.
2. Add a layer of sand on top of the newspaper.
3. Add a layer of leaf litter and/or compost.
4. It's time to put in your worms! You can collect them from your garden. Hint: If the soil is dry, water it and wait 30



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- minutes. After half an hour, worms will have made their way closer to the surface to reach the damp soil.
5. Put in a few bits of kitchen waste, this is food for your worms.
6. Tear up strips of newspaper and dampen them. This is the final layer in your wormery. Cover the box with a tea towel and watch over the weeks as your worms make their new home!

Keep your wormery out of direct sunlight.

FACT! Worms are an essential part of the environment because they mix up and break down organic matter (like the kitchen waste you gave them). As they burrow deep into the soil they leave behind worm casts which contain nutrients that enrich the soil. Plants need these nutrients for healthy growth. Can you spot any worm casts in your wormery?

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