

## PREPARE A FLOWER BED FOR SUMMER

Spring is coming fast, and your flowerbed will start to come to life, but you need to build on a good foundation. Over winter the flowerbeds can become quite a mess, so we're going to fix that and prepare for a beautiful summer.

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### EARN THIS NUGGET

To earn this Nugget, clean up a flower bed and prepare it for summer. When you have put a smile on your parents' face and a big thumbs up, you have your Nugget!

LEVEL E

PERIOD 3

TASK 2

1. Clean up any debris (all those fallen leaves and twigs from the winter months).

2. Pull those weeds. If you see anything that shouldn't be there, nip that in the bud and get it pulled up. It is essential to pull weeds up with the root, or they'll just grow again. Also, make sure your parents show you any plants that can be mistaken for weeds. You don't want to pull the wrong thing.

3. Check that all of the plants look healthy. Now is the time to plant a new shrub or flower if you've had anything die off over the winter.

4. Finally, mulching your garden not only looks beautiful, but it locks in moisture for the plant so they require less watering. I like to use cedar mulch because it also repels insects, is long lasting and puts nutrients into the soil that are good for the plants.

