

# The Magic House Proudly Presents

# ***Magic at Home!***



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### ***Instruction Continued:***

3. The next steps are best performed where applying soil does not cause a big mess. If this activity is completed indoors, spread a newspaper sheet under the egg cup. Use a hand shovel, or your hands, to scoop a little soil to fill the egg cup almost a half inch.
4. Once you have a half inch of soil in the cup, place your choice of seed in the soil and then cover the rest of the egg cup with soil until it is completely full to the top. I chose basil seeds.
5. Water your new plant starter with a spray bottle every day, or when you notice the top layer of soil looks dry. This process does not require sun exposure, but set your starter seed in a well ventilated room until it sprouts. Seeds will appear in approximately 5 to 7 days, then you may place in an area of your home that gets good sunlight.

### ***Helpful Tips:***

With time, the seed will form leaves and grow. When ready to be transferred into a planting pot or the ground, there is no need to remove the seed out of the egg cup as the cardboard will break down the more the seed and root system grows. Happy Planting!

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### **Materials Required:**

- Empty egg carton
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Water spray bottle
- Newspaper sheet
- Potting soil
- A hand shovel

### **Instructions:**

1. Tear the egg carton into individual cups where the eggs would be stored and cut any excess scraps of the egg carton off the egg cups with a pair of scissors. Recycle the remaining scraps of the egg carton.
2. Once you have your egg carton cup, use a pencil to poke a hole pointing at the bottom of the egg cup pointing to the top of the cup. This is important when plants are being watered so that there is a source of draining.

