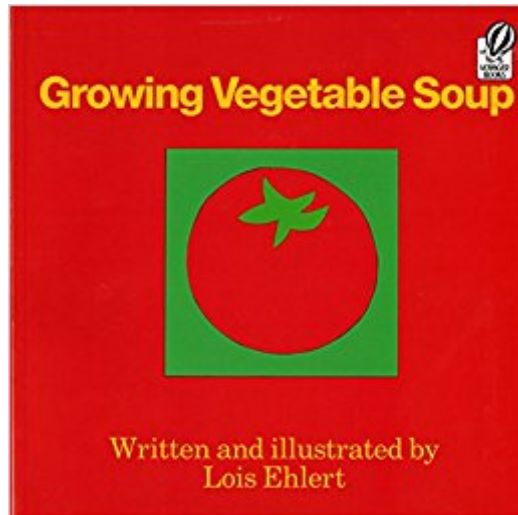




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# Growing Vegetable Soup (Voyager Books)



## Synopsis

"Dad says we are going to grow vegetable soup." So begins Lois Ehlert's bright, bold picture book about vegetable gardening for the very young. The necessary tools are pictured and labeled, as are the seeds (green bean, pea, corn, zucchini squash, and carrot). Then the real gardening happens . . . planting, weeding, harvesting, washing, chopping, and cooking! In the end? "It was the best soup ever." Ehlert's simple, colorful cut-paper-style illustrations are child-friendly, as is the big black type. A recipe for vegetable soup tops it all off!

## Book Information

Age Range: 3 and up

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## Customer Reviews

Using her characteristically vibrant palette, Ehlert details the raising of a vegetable garden to make "the best soup ever." A recipe is included in this book which PW termed a "zesty introduction to vivid abstract art." Ages 2-7. Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc.

PreSchool-Grade 1 This is the boldest, brassiest garden book to hit the market, and what a delight. Intensely colored graphics capture the complete growing process from seed to cooking pot, with the focus on the plants. The unseen narrator describes the process of growing vegetable soup, from preparing the tools and digging holes for the seeds to weeding plants; picking vegetables; washing,

chopping, and cooking them and finally enjoying the homemade soup while planning to grow more next year. It's a fresh presentation of the gardening cycle with a joyful conclusion, and the added attraction of an easy and tasty recipe for vegetable soup on the flyleaf. A book to help nourish healthy readers. Barbara Peklo Serling, Oneida City Schools, N.Y. Copyright 1987 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I use this book in a class I teach for early childhood educators. It is a pretty perfect book. The language is simple and elegant. The illustrations are beautiful and informative and they complement the text. It teaches several valuable concepts at a level that preschoolers can "get." I watched a family child care provider with a mixed-age group of 2- to 4-year olds use this book and simple props to involve all the children in acting out: preparing the soil, planting seeds, watering them, harvesting the veggies, and then making mock soup in a real pot with plastic vegetables. This could be combined with each child bringing one veggie from home and making real soup, perhaps also reading the book "Stone Soup." Each wonderful new picture book is a gift, now more than ever as we understand early literacy. Thank you for "Making Vegetable Soup."

My preschool class loved this book! The illustrations are beautiful and it leant itself well to our farm to table lesson. I would definitely recommend this book.

Purchased for an elementary school.

Clever way to teach children about how food is grown!

kids loved it

great purchase my students love it!

My daughter is fascinated with gardening and she likes to make things, so this book was perfect. She wants to make the soup recipe at the back of the book now, and she wants to grow onions and potatoes, too. It is a great book for babies and all young children. It has very simple short sentences like, "We are planting the seeds," along with illustrations of the seeds and the name under each one: corn seed, pea seed, carrot seed, etc. This is a great spring/summer book to add to your child's home library.

Very nice story for young gardener

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