10 sunny facts about sunflowers

- 1. They are native to America.
- 2. They need lots of sun and space to grow.
- 3. They track the sun throughout the day.
- 4. The world's tallest sunflower was 30 feet and 1 inch tall.
- 5. Sunflowers have been grown in outer space.
 - A sunflower is actually made up of thousands of tiny flowers called florets.
 - Each sunflower can contain up to 2000 seeds.
 - 8. There are around 70 species of Sunflower.
 - 9. Sunflowers can be planted to help absorb nuclear radiation.
- You should harvest sunflowers in the morning otherwise they may wilt.



How to grow your sunflower

- 1. Fill a pot almost to the top with soil or compost.
- Push a hole with your finger in the centre of the pot about
 1.5cm deep.
- Drop in your sunflower seed and gently cover with soil.
- 4. Water your seed until the soil is damp.
- 5. Place your pot on a window sill where it will get plenty of light with a plate or a tray underneath to catch the drips of water.
- 6. Water your sunflower only when the soil becomes dry to touch.
- 7. Once the shoots can be seen, replant the sunflower in your garden.

Time in days