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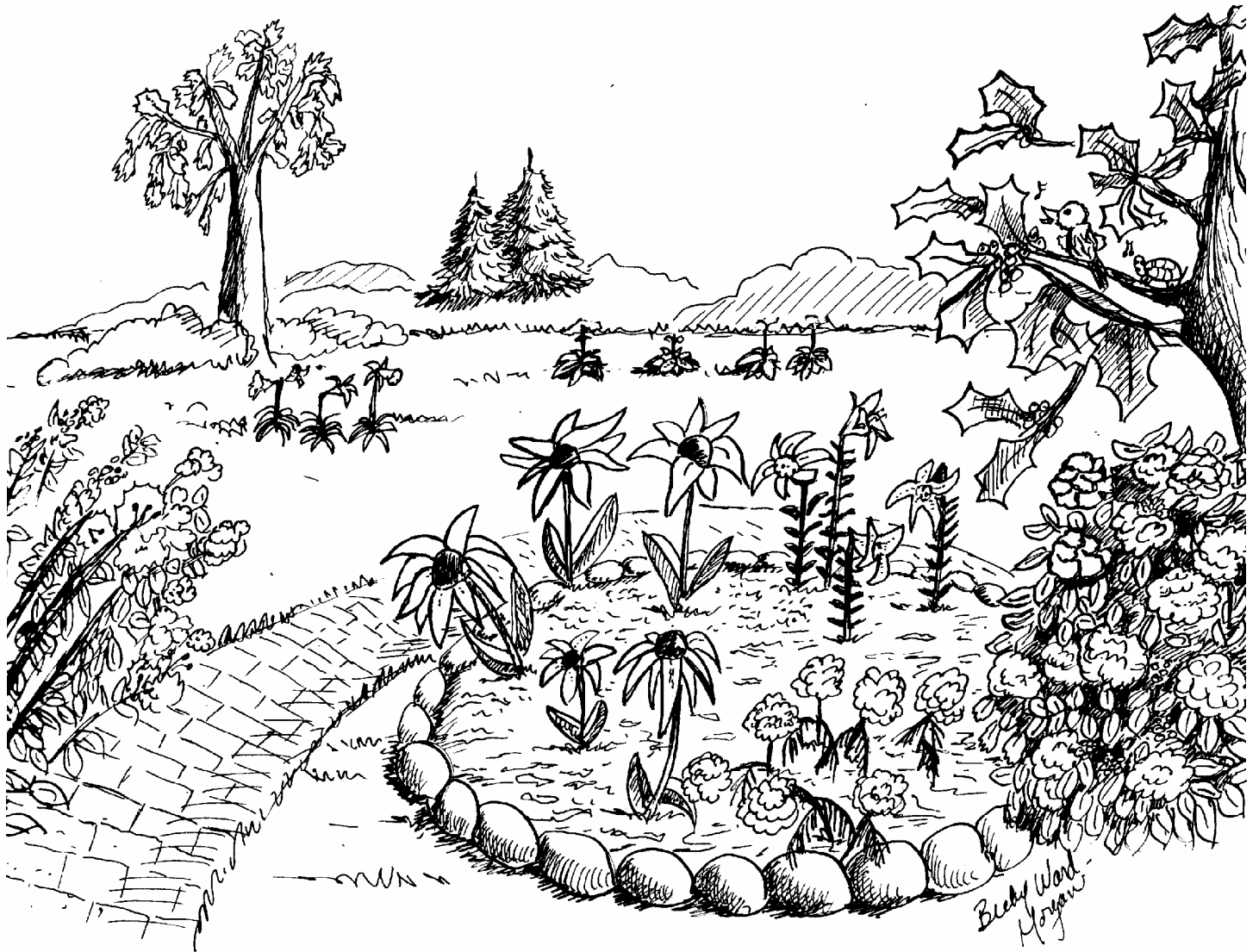
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## **Curb Appeal Lesson Four: My Yard Student Handouts**

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## Spring Flowers



## Summer Flowers

## Activity #1: My Yard Story

### My Yard

There are many native plants in my yard. My yard is beautiful!

I grow marigolds, snapdragons, and Queen Anne's Lace. They are annual flowers. Annual plants live for one season or year.

I also grow peonies, Lily of the Valley, hostas, and calla lilies. They are perennial plants. Perennial plants live for more than two years.

I plant flowers using seeds, seedlings, or bulbs. Bulbs come up every year. They can be transplanted or left in the ground. Tulips, daffodils, crocuses, and gladioli are types of bulbs.

There are many trees in my yard, too. Deciduous trees lose their leaves in the fall. Evergreens, such as pine trees, are green all year long.

I don't have many shrubs in my yard, but I do have vines. Some of them are flowering vines.

All plants need special care. They require different amounts of sunlight to grow: full sun, partial sun, or shade. Plants also require different amounts of water to grow: heavy, moderate, or light. Be sure to grow the best kinds of plants for your region.

## Activity #2: My Yard Yes/ No Handout

Read the sentence. Circle the correct answer.

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|--|-----|----|
| 1. Annual plants live for two years.               | YES | NO |
| 2. Perennial plants live for two years.            | YES | NO |
| 3. A Snapdragon is a tree.                         | YES | NO |
| 4. Trees may be deciduous or evergreen.            | YES | NO |
| 5. All plants need full sun to grow.               | YES | NO |
| 6. All plants need heavy amounts of water to grow. | YES | NO |
| 7. Tulips are bulbs.                               | YES | NO |
| 8. Hosta is a bulb.                                | YES | NO |

## Activity #4: Information Gap Handout A



### Student #1

1. The hosta is green.
  2. There are two yellow tulips and one pink tulip.
  3. The marigold is orange.
  4. The holly tree has green leaves and red berries.
  5. The sun is yellow.
  6. The crocuses are purple.
  7. The hyacinths are white.
  8. The peonies are light pink.
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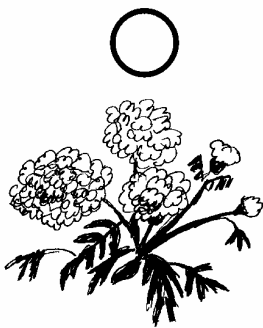
### Student #2

1. The gladioli are red.
2. The crocuses are yellow.
3. Three marigolds are orange.
4. The tulips are red.
5. The daffodils are yellow.
6. The lilies are white.
7. The pine tree is green.
8. The vine is green.

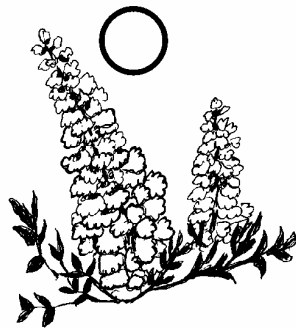
Activity #4: Information Gap Handout B



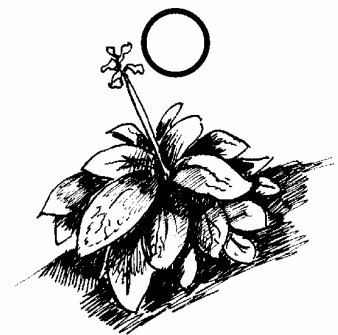
Student #1



\_\_\_\_\_ : Marigold  
Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
Light: \_\_\_\_\_  
Water: \_\_\_\_\_



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ : Pink  
Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ : Full to light shade



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Light: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ : Perennial  
Bloom: \_\_\_\_\_

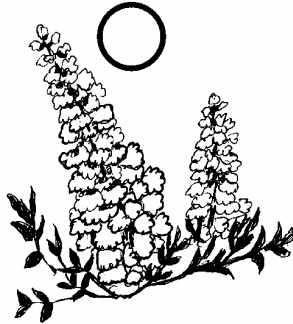
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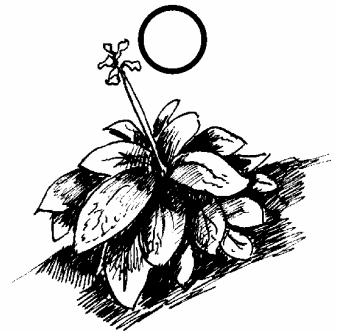
Student #2



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_: Annual  
\_\_\_\_\_: Full Sun  
\_\_\_\_\_: Moderate



\_\_\_\_\_: Snapdragon  
Color: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_: Annual  
Sun: \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_: Hosta  
\_\_\_\_\_: Shade  
Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_: Lavendar spikes  
in late summer