

Topic 7 Gardening Script:

Dialogue 1: Tina visits her neighbour.

Tina: Hello Ana

Ana: Hi Tina. What have you got there?

Tina: I brought some pumpkin and tomatoes for you.

Ana: Oh look at them they are so beautiful and fresh. Thank you.

Tina: Yes, this year has been really good for my garden. The pumpkins are big and the tomatoes are really sweet and juicy.

Ana: You are so good in the garden. I think you must have a green thumb!

Tina: I love working in the garden and it's good to have fresh veggies. It's also a lot cheaper than buying them at the shop.

Ana: I wish I could grow some vegetables but my garden is so small.

Tina: You don't need much space; you can get some pots and containers.

Ana: Do you think you could show me?

Tina: Sure, let's make a date to go to Bunnings and buy some tools and pots. Then I'll help you get started.

Ana: OK that sounds good. Soon I will be able to share my vegetables with you! Now... tonight I am going to make pumpkin soup for dinner. Would you like to come?

Note: This can be followed up with picture story 'Garden to Plate' available to download free at www.englishlanguage.org.nz (Topic worksheets)

Dialogue 2: What are you doing this weekend?

A. Hi Joe, what are you doing this weekend?

This weekend I'm planting tomatoes and mowing the lawn. I'll pick some flowers to decorate my house. Then in the evening I'm having a BBQ for my friends and family.

B. Hi Sue, what are you doing this weekend?

I'm going to clean up my garden. First I'm going to mow the lawn and then I'll pull out some weeds, prune the shrubs and plant some tomatoes. Later I'm going to read my book and have a cup of tea under the trees. I'll probably throw the ball for my dog too.

C. Hi, Kim, what are you doing this weekend?

I'm going to be very busy in my garden this weekend. I'm going to fertilise the veggie patch and rake the leaves. I'm going to mow the lawn and pick some vegetables. And, of course, I'll water everything.