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# Good Ideas

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"Let's make the flowerbed look prettier," Heather said.

"Okay," Noah said. "How are we going to do that?"

"We can dig up the weeds," Heather said.

Noah nodded his head. "Good idea," he said.



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They sat at the kitchen table.

Heather drank some of her water. Then she set her glass down. "Now let's make the kitchen look prettier."

"Okay," Noah said. "I have a good idea how." Noah told Heather his idea.

Heather laughed. "That was my idea, too. Let's tell Mom."

Mom smiled when she heard their idea. "Good idea," she said.

So Heather and Noah cut some flowers from the garden. Then, they put the flowers in a vase on the kitchen table!

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1. How do Heather and Noah plan to make the flowerbed look prettier?

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2. Why do Heather and Noah go into the kitchen after they are out in the garden?



4. How does Mom respond when Heather and Noah tell her their plan?

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5. What do Heather and Noah put on the kitchen table?

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Draw lines to match the words from the story with their meanings.

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| 1. flowerbed | • | • | wild plants that do not belong in a garden |
| 2. garden    | • | • | a plot of soil where flowers are grown     |



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| 4. kitchen | • | • | a thought or a suggestion   |
| 5. vase    | • | • | a piece of ground where you grow fruit, vegetables, herbs, or flowers |
| 6. idea    | • | • | a container used to display flowers                                   |

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In the story, "Good Ideas," Heather and Noah make the garden look prettier by pulling out all the weeds.

On the lines below, tell about a time when you made something look nicer than it did before. Did you clean your room? Sort through your toy box? Organize your bookshelf? How did you feel afterwards? Share your thoughts on the lines below.



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## ANSWER KEY

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1. How do Heather and Noah plan to make the flowerbed look prettier?



5. What do Heather and Noah put on the kitchen table?

They put a vase of fresh-cut flowers on the table.

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