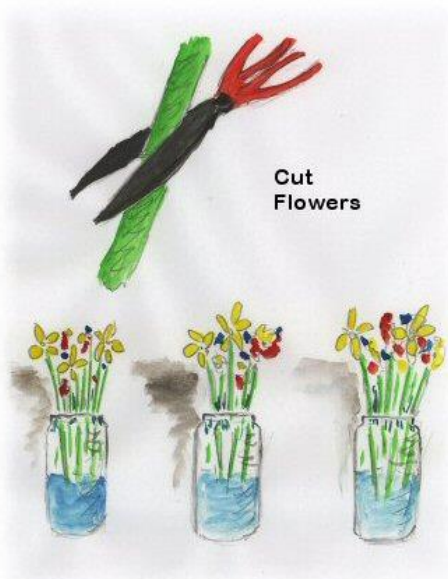


## Indoor Experiment

This activity is to carry out a small experiment on cut flowers and find out how long they will last.



### What you will need:

3 containers that will hold water (vase or jam jar)  
suitable for cut flowers

Scissors

6 or 9 cut flowers - all the same type

Pen/pencil/paper for recording results

Time - 15 minutes every 2 or 3 days

### How to do it:

1. You will need 6 or 9 flowers. At this time of year, you will probably have to buy them from a shop. Don't buy anything expensive – the cheaper flowers work just as well.
2. Half fill each container (vase) with fresh water and label each 1, 2 and 3.
3. Cut about 5mm from the bottom of each stem and place the same number of stems into each container (either two or three depending on the number your started with).
4. After 2 days:
  - Leave container (1) alone.
  - Change the water in container (2).
  - Change the water and cut another 5mm off each flower stem in container (3).
5. Repeat the exercise on all the containers every 2 days and record what happens.
6. After a week there should be a noticeable difference in the flowers.

This simple experiment should show you how long cut flowers last if you look after them.