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Spring Equinox

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Spring Equinox Teaching Resources

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This pack has been created by teachers, for teachers. In it you'll find high quality teaching resources to help you and your students celebrate the equinox.

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| Discover why and when the spring equinox takes place. |

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| Discuss with your students why spring is a good time to plant a fruit and vegetable garden. | Discuss with your students what happens during an equinox. |

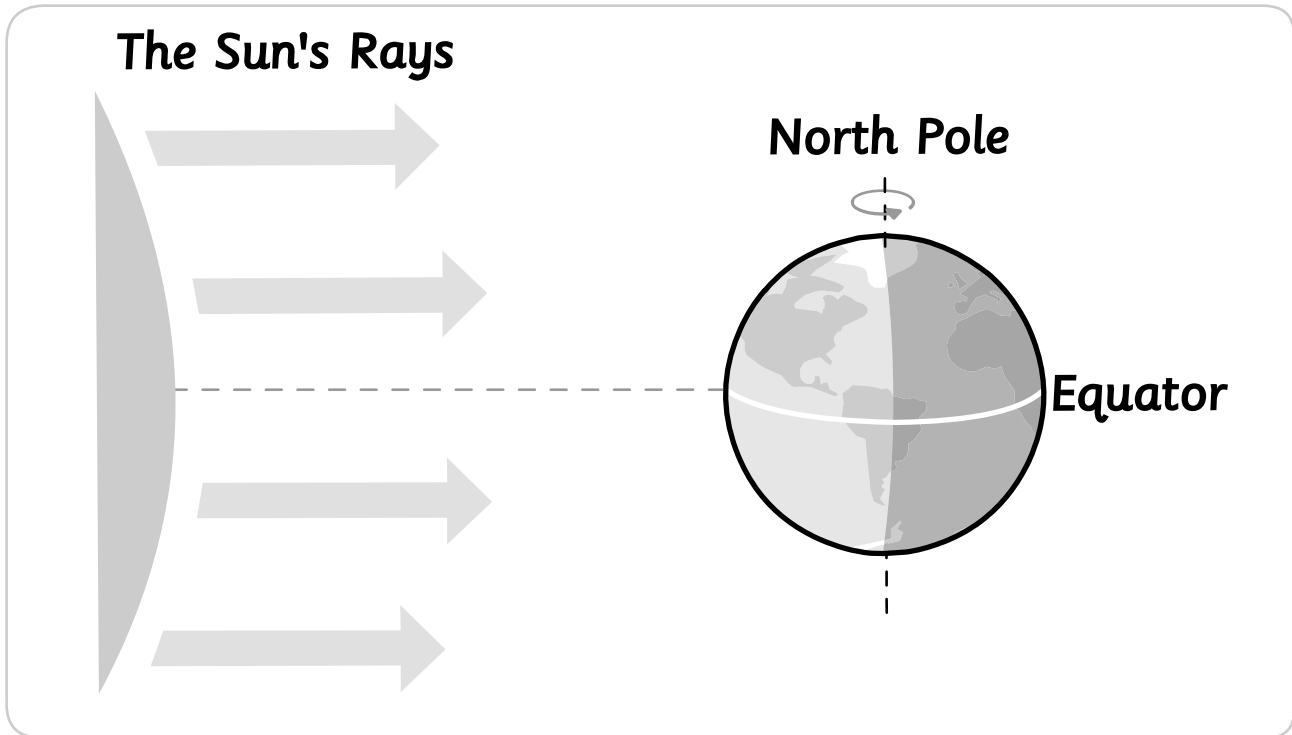
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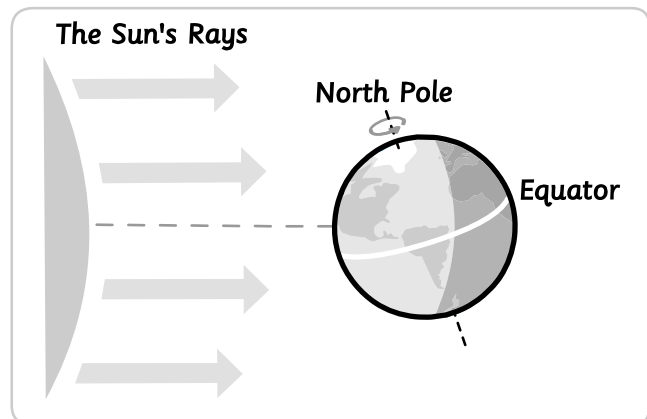
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- “Equinox” means “equal night” and it happens twice a year, in the spring and fall. During this time, day and night are about equal length.



- The spring equinox happens on or near March 20th and it marks beginning of spring.
- The spring equinox is also called the vernal equinox.
- After the spring equinox, Earth’s axis begins its tilt toward the Sun, which means the days get longer.



- Because Earth begins to receive more sunlight in the spring, the air and soil begin to warm, and plant growth starts to appear. Animals lose their winter coats for the warmer weather.
- Throughout history, many cultures have celebrated the coming of spring and the life it brings. Eggs and seeds are symbols of spring because they hold new animal and plant life.



Celebrate Spring!



Corn, cucumbers, tomatoes, and melons are planted in the spring.



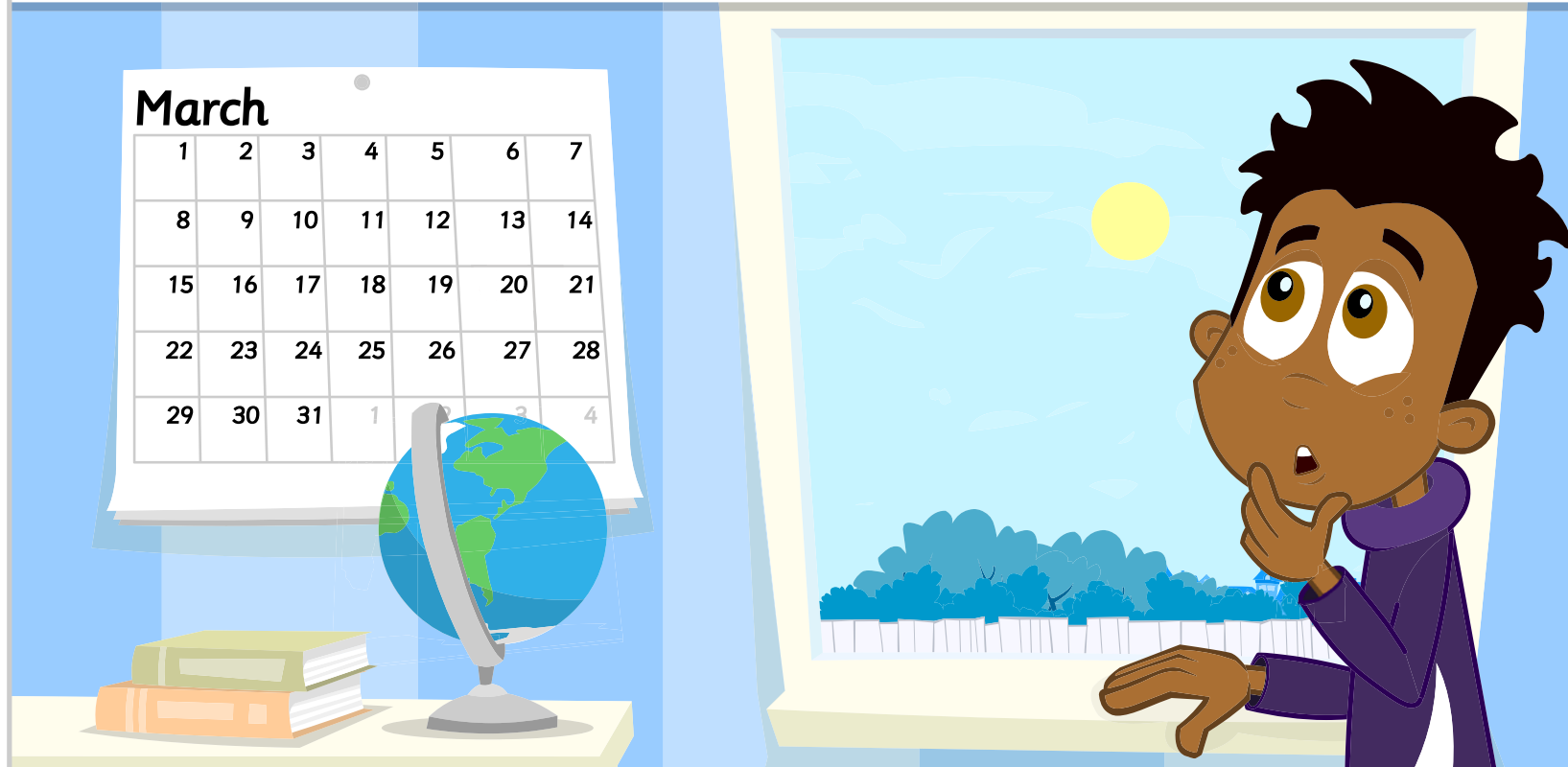
Why is spring a good time to plant a fruit and vegetable garden?

Many fruits and vegetables need warm soil and high temperatures in order to grow. When spring arrives, the days get longer. The sun warms the soil and the air, and the plants start to grow.



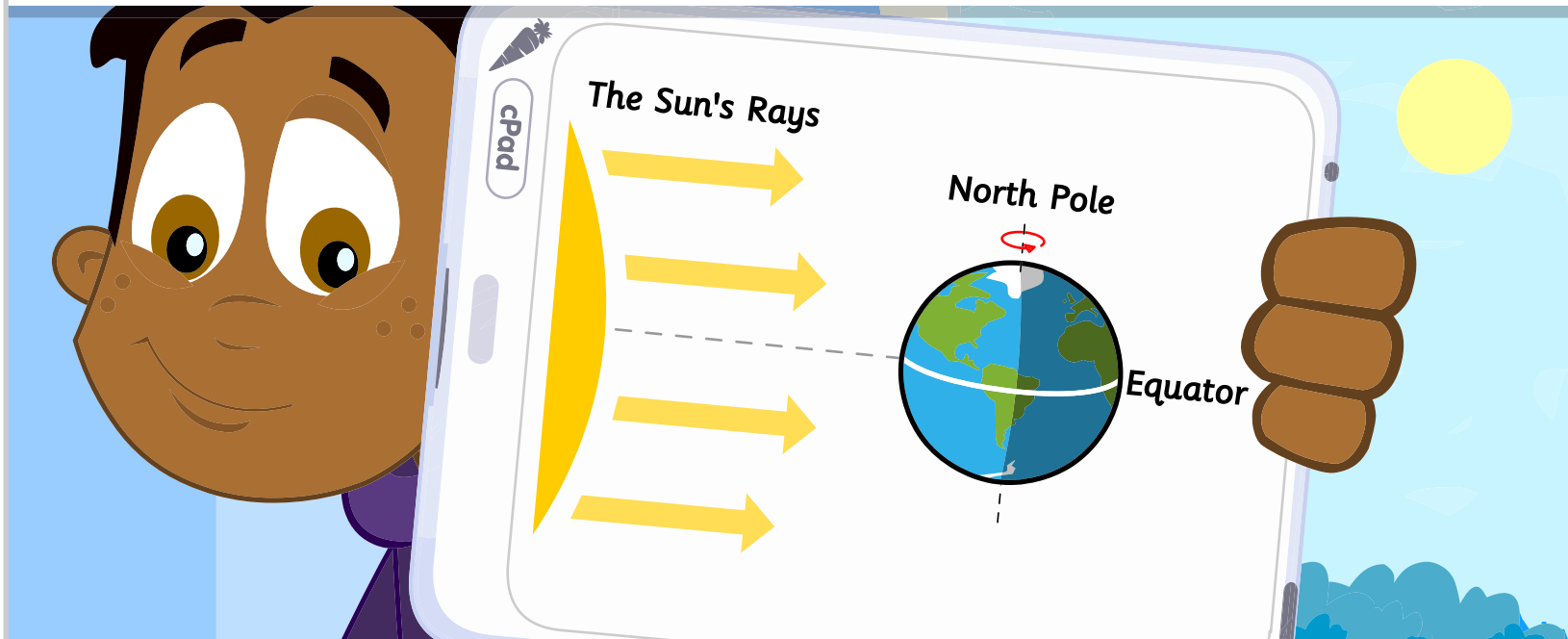
What crops would you plant in a spring fruit and vegetable garden?

The spring, or vernal, equinox is on or near March 20th each year.



What happens during an equinox?

“Equinox” means “equal night.” During an equinox, the Sun shines directly on the equator and night and day are nearly equal in length.



**There is another equinox during the year.
In which month do you think it might happen?**

It's Spring!



Celebrate the first day
of spring!





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